

Tuscola Township Planning Commission

July 12, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:00P.M., by chairperson, Thelma Bushong. Jon Blasius was welcomed as a returning Commissioner and was sworn in by the Township Clerk, Michelle Hicks. His term will expire in 2018. It was noted that the attorney for the Township stated per state law you may have 1 member who resides out of the Township and that member is allowed to vote on all issues.

The Tuscola Township Board has approved the changes to the updated ordinances. Sarah Barber reviewed the minutes of the township board. There was a discussion on the scheduling of the upcoming meetings. Gerald Peterson made a motion to take the months of December and February off the calendar unless the Planning Commission deems it necessary to meet. This was supported by Sarah Barber and the vote was unanimous.

John Bishop made a motion to change 9.04B 3 of the wind ordinance to read the same as MSU extension sample D which reads Sound Pressure Level:

On-site use wind energy systems shall not exceed 40dB(A) at the property line closest to the wind energy system. This sound pressure level may be exceeded during short-term events such as utility outages and /or severe wind storms. If the ambient sound pressure level exceeds 40dB(A) the standard shall be ambient dB(A) plus 5dB(A). This was supported by Carol Smith and the vote was unanimous.

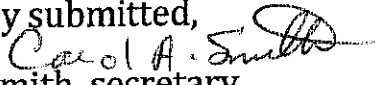
John Bishop made a motion to change 9.10E3 a. to read Each LGWET must by setback from the nearest occupied building. Road right of way, drain rights of way, communication lines, electric power lines, and zoning property set back lines a minimum of 2 times its total height or 1,000 feet as measured from the base of the tower whichever is greater. Supported by Jon Blasius and vote was unanimous.

John Bishop made a motion to change 9.06 D2 to read the location of the SMWET must be no closer to the property line set back, public right-of-way,

public easement or overhead utility lines than 1.5 times it's total height from the ground. Supported by Carol Smith and the vote was unanimous.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,


Carol A. Smith, secretary