

Tuscola Township Planning Commission
Approved Minutes for Monday January 9, 2023
Public Hearing

Tuscola Township Hall, 8561 Van Cleve Rd, Vassar, Mich. 48768

The Public Hearing was called to order by T. Bushong @ 7:00 PM

Board Members Present: Thelma Bushong, Carol Smith, Larry Kern, Sarah Barber, Renee Rodammer, Jon Blasius, and Lisa Knoll.

Guests: 4 Gary Weiss, Emily Darby, Michael Darby and Alex Schiefer

Clerk, Michelle Hicks, Zoning Admin, Matt Jobson

Township Attorneys Seth Koches and Michael Bila were present via Zoom.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to receive comments from Township Residents on proposed Zoning Ordinance changes as follows: (Copies were provided to those in attendance and can be viewed on the Township Website.)

1. In regards to changes to Zoning Ordinance Chapter 4, Section 4.04B, which would amend the penalty for enforcement to a municipal civil infraction and set a fine schedule, comments were invited. None received. Period to receive comments was closed.

2. In regards to changes to Zoning Ordinance Chapter 9, to add new Section 9.16, authorizing Small Scale Solar Energy Systems as a special use. These changes would also change the title of Zoning Ordinance Chapter 9 to "Alternative Energy Systems", comments were invited. None received. Period to receive comments was closed.

3. In regards to changes to Zoning Ordinance Chapter 9, to add new Section 9.17, Large Scale Solar Energy Systems. This would also amend:
 - Chapter 2 Definitions to add the term "Solar Energy Systems"
 - Chapter 8 to add Large-Scale Commercial Solar Energy Systems as conditional uses in agricultural, residential agricultural, and industrial zoning districts
 - Chapter 10 to add Large-Scale Solar Energy Systems to the list of applications that require a Site Plan

Comments were invited. None received. Period to receive comments was closed.

With no further business to discuss the Public Hearing was adjourned @ 7:09 PM.

Lisa Knoll - Secretary