

BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
MONDAY 7 PM APRIL 12, 2021
BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP HALL
10990 CLINTON RD.
MINUTES

- I. CALL TO ORDER – Meeting called to order at 7:18 PM
- II. ROLL CALL AND DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM – Present: Horney, Messing (remote, in Bridgewater), Barbu, Oliver. Iwanicki absent. Quorum present.
- III. REVIEW AND APPROVE AGENDA – Moved Barbu, second Oliver. Approved by unanimous voice vote.
- IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Moved Barbu, second Oliver, as amended. Approved by unanimous voice vote.
 - A. February 15, 2021 Planning Commission meeting
- V. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION – Meeting was electronically attended by Mr. Wilson, Mr. Fox and Ms. Ghidotte of Invenergy and their attorney, Mr. Standiford.
- VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS - None
None Scheduled
- VII. OLD BUSINESS
 - A. Industrial solar (PV) generation – Mr. Nanney led a discussion of changes to the draft ZO Amendment for Solar Energy Facilities that had been suggested by Mr. Wilson of Invenergy. He explained why most of the suggested changes were not beneficial to the township. No vote was taken on any of the provisions at this time. Mr. Nanney will prepare an updated draft for the next meeting. Mr. Nanney will work with the township clerk to identify a venue suitable for a public hearing with a large group of people.

- B. There was discussion about other potential changes to the zoning ordinance. It was suggested that the Local Commercial District could be eliminated and those parts of the commercial district in the hamlet could be incorporated in the Bridgewater Center district. Mr. Nanney will prepare a draft proposal.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. County Parks and Recreation inquiry

See trustees report.

IX. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Zoning Administrators Report – Mr. Nanney’s report is on file.
- B. Trustees Report - Mr. Oliver reported no recent communication from County Parks and Recreation.

X. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS – Mr. Nanney reported that a bill was coming up in the legislature that would remove all control over mineral extraction permits from local government.

XI. PUBLIC COMMENT - Mr. Wilson and Mr. Standiford thanked the commission for considering their suggested changes to the Solar Energy ordinance.

XII ADJOURNMENT – Moved to adjourn Horney, support Oliver. Meeting adjourned at 9:08 PM by unanimous voice vote.