

PLANNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday March 30th 2021

Attendance was Mark Saville, Ralph Funk, Bill Ake, Mary Ann Clark, Zoning Officer Rich Brungard and Secretary Carol Colucci. James Watson was absent.

Due to Corona virus meetings have remained closed to the public until further notice. Social distancing was practiced and masks were worn.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mark Saville at 7:00PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The February re-organization and monthly meeting minutes were reviewed and approved on a 1st motion by Funk and a 2nd by Bill Ake motion passed to approve the meeting minutes.

Old business was the board has been reviewing and updating the By – Laws that has not been reviewed since 2004. The board made several amendments to be revised and corrected for the next meeting for approved.

New business was Zoning Officer Brungard presented a sample ordinance for Solar Farms. He reported the Supervisors have reviewed this sample and would like to continue moving forward with a sample ordinance for Porter. They would like to see solar only allowable in the conservation district. This would be for large track areas.

The end result, the decommissioning is a huge concern of the Supervisors in years to come. There was a lot of discussion on the new technology of solar. A large escrow account or a bond requirement would be in the best interest of the decommissioning process. Brungard did point out there is no permit necessary for roof mounted solar panels.

The decision was made to request the township Solicitor and planning board members to attend the Supervisors meeting to discuss the solar issues to move forward for a solar ordinance.

Zoning permits for the month of March was \$1,386.00. There was a sewer permit, Pole building, 3 driveways, 2 new houses, 2 garages.

On a 1st motion by Ake and a 2nd by Clark motion passed to adjourn 8:25PM. The next meeting will be May 25th, 2021.

Planning Board Chairman
Mark Saville _____

Planning board Secretary
Carol Colucci _____