

**Swatara Township Planning Commission**  
**October 7, 2021**

Board Members in attendance were Terry Brandt, Dean Patches, Steve Steiner, Brian Vragovich and Jeff Werner.

Jeff Werner called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. He started the meeting with welcoming Brian Vragovich, the newest member of the Planning Commission.

Minutes

The minutes were read and stand approved as read.

Old Business

Ordinance Discussions:

I. Zoning Officer Recommendations

A. High Cube Warehouses

Nothing to add from the last meeting.

B. Mobile Homes / Manufactured Homes

This section is waiting on input from the Zoning Officer. Terminology needs to be updated.

C. Solar Arrays – Commercial / Accessory

Discussion was held regarding the differences between commercial and accessory. The courts may have to decide how solar arrays will be viewed.

D. Dwelling Definitions – 27:17 and 27:18

An error exists with the definitions for Dwelling, Single Family Detached and Dwelling, Single Family Semidetached. A question was also posed if Quadraplex, Triplex, Townhouse and Garden Apartments can also be grouped with the Dwelling definitions. Mini Houses and RV's were also discussed.

II. Ordinance Recommendations for Consideration

The previously discussed sections were reviewed for consideration of adoption. The sections considered were Open Burning, Animals, Cannabis Allowances, Commercial Uses in non-commercial districts and Ag Based Businesses (changed to Ag Support Businesses). Chapter 6. Conduct, Part 1. Lewd Materials is unnecessary as this section is regulated under the Pennsylvania Criminal Code.

Jeff Werner moved to recommend the adoption of the sections on open burning, animals, cannabis allowances, commercial uses in non-commercial districts and Ag support business. As well as repealing Chapter 6, Part 1. Seconded by Terry Brandt. All voted in favor; motion carried.

Mr. Werner asked that an agenda item be included on the Board of Supervisors Agenda which he planned to attend to discuss the need for a traffic light at N. Lancaster Street and SR 22.

Mr. Brandt inquired when the trees at the entrance to Pine Ridge Village were going to be trimmed as they continue to impede sight distance for those pulling out onto Moore Road.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further comment or discussion, the meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Harding