KEENE TOWNSHIP NOTICE

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MOVED FROM APRIL 4 TO APRIL 10, 2023 FOR A PUBLIC HEARING

Monday April 10, 2023, at 7:00 PM

Keene Township Hall 8505 Potters Rd Saranac MI 48881

The Planning Commission will be meeting at the Keene Township Hall to hold a public hearing on the proposed commercial solar energy system section amendments. The summary of changes include rewriting the details for the main solar energy paragraph section and the section L special use permit application requirements and explanation, the setbacks are enlarged and with more detail, a noise decibel limit is added, inverters are required to be placed in the interior areas, height is reduced, projects are allowed only in the AR and AG districts with a maximum of 500 project acres in the entire Township, lot coverage is exempt within the project area, dual use is permitted, screening is enhanced, vegetation details are added, signs are described, more fencing details are added, placement of power lines are described and stray voltage testing is added, glare is addressed, no advertising is allowed, systems must be attached per relevant construction codes and emergency plans submitted to local Fire Chiefs, access driveway requirements are added, all permits must be in place before construction, ownership can be transferred with notice, any lighting must be dark sky types, field tiles are to be inspected and repaired if damage, a plan for any hazardous waste is required. MSDS data sheets are required, impact studies are described, a complaint plan process is required, decommissioning plans must be supplied and updated with changes plus other details including escrow funds, insurance is required and permits from other agencies plus Township inspection procedures. All meetings are open to the public. The full ordinance amendments are available be reviewed website to on the www.keenetownship.org or in the Township notice box. Comments may be emailed to zoningadmin@msn.com up to two hours before the meeting or given in person during the public hearing.