

**Keene Township
Planning Commission
Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, May 4, 2021
7:00 PM**

Members Present: Jeff Braam, Dan Briggs, Matt Stahlin, Ray Krieger, Denny Briggs, Mike Gasper

Members Absent: Corey Wojcik (excused)

Zoning Administrator: Jeanne Vandersloot

Public Present: Paul Kohn, Robert Simpson

Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance

Chairperson Braam called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of the Last Meeting Minutes

Ray moved to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Mike seconded the motion. The motion was carried by a vote of 6-0.

Approval or Change of Agenda

Matt made the motion to approve the agenda. Mike supported, passed 6-0.

Open discussion for issues not on the agenda

- Correspondence Received: None
- Planning Commission Members: None
- Members of the Audience: Supervisor Robert Simpson updated the Commission on Township financials. In November, the renewal of the Fire millage will be up for vote.

Report from Township Board Representative

none

Report from Zoning Administrator

1 zoning permit for animal barns, numerous junk ordinance updates.

Old Business

Continued zoning map review. We need a larger map that is updated. There is some obsolete zoning that needs to be corrected.

New Business

Paul Kohn had questions about putting in a 40' cargo container for storage on his mother's 30 acre parcel on Feuerstein Rd. The consensus of the Planning Commission was that it should be allowed under the current ordinance language for accessory buildings. At the next meeting, we should discuss updated language

specifically addressing shipping containers used for storage.

We discussed changing the language for the Solar ordinance to that it matches up with what Consumers Energy will allow for Agriculture or Residential properties.

Adjournment

At 8 PM Matt moved to adjourn, Mike supported, motion passed 6-0.

Next regular meeting will be held on September 7, 2021 at the township hall at 7:00 pm.