



**Planning Commission
Meeting Minutes
April 8, 2025**

CALL TO ORDER

The Potter Township Planning Commission meeting was called to order by Chair Dave Henning at 7:00 PM.

NOMINATION AND APPROVAL FOR SECRETARY

Mr. Henning asked for nominations for the position of Secretary. No one expressed an interest so the matter was deferred until the April 22nd meeting.

ATTENDANCE

Michele Foust	X
Melissa Hamsher	X
Dave Henning	X
Amy Lake	
Linda Marshall	X
Rhonda Rumbaugh	X
Mike Troyan	X

Public in Attendance:

Wayne and Marilyn Engle	Residents
Andrew Reed	Penn Tera Engineering
Mr. Bird	Resident
Colby Dale	Boy Scout
Liam Bird	Boy Scout

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Chair Henning called for approval of the March 25, 2025, meeting minutes. Mr. Troyan moved to approve minutes. Ms. Rumbaugh seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

SUPERVISORS REPORT

Mr. Henning reported on the Board of Supervisors meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

PENN TERRA PRESENTATION FOR DECKER VALLEY ROAD SUBDIVISION

Mr. Reed answered the Commission's questions specific to the plan.

After reviewing the plan, Mr. Troyan moved to recommend to the Board of Supervisors that the Commission expressed a concern about the stormwater management facility as it relates to public safety and whether fencing should be required, and the Commission also noted that the location of the perk test and well sites not be within the setbacks. Ms. Hamsher seconded the motion. The motion carried.

CREATION/MODIFICATION OF AGRICULTURAL SECURITY AREA FOR DECKER PROPOSAL

The Commission reviewed the proposed expansion of the Decker Agricultural Security Area. It was noted that the proposal did not include the required Project Description.

After discussing the matter, the Commission did not have any concerns.

RESIDENTIAL CHICKEN/DOMESTIC HEN ORDINANCE

The Commission reiterated that the April 22nd meeting will be dedicated to discussing the provisions of an ordinance.

The Commission did review examples of Intent to be included in the draft ordinance. Following the review and discussion, the Commission agreed to the following,

“The purpose of this ordinance is to establish regulations for the keeping of chickens in order to promote public health, safety, and welfare while balancing the rights of property owners with considerations for noise, odors, and environmental impact in a rural setting.

The keeping of chicken hens shall be for the use and enjoyment of the occupants of the property and shall not be used for commercial purposes.”

CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence was received.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Troyan informed the Commission that he was contacted by Mr. Jim Gregory who is affiliated with a non-profit solar organization and who had expressed an interest in opportunities for solar in our township.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business brought before the Commission.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Planning Commission, Ms. Foust moved to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Ms. Rumbaugh. The motion was approved unanimously. Mr. Henning adjourned the meeting at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Linda Marshall

Secretary