

PC250402

Porter Township Planning Commission Minutes

April 2, 2025

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Members present: Doug Noble,jr., Todd Hackenberg, Andrew Nesbitt, Tim Seppala, Gregg Brucks, Jeff Stull, Tonya Willis.

Members absent: John Miller, Bob Angle.

Motion to approve agenda as written by Todd Hackenberg, supported by Jeff Stull. Motion carried.

Motion to approve minutes as written by Gregg Brucks, supported by Todd Hackenberg. Motion carried.

Correspondence: None.

Citizens Comments: Don Berdhal of the Van Buren County Climate Action Team. His remarks were to inform the board about Brendan Miller and his push for renewable energy on family farms. He wanted to tell us about a CREO or Compatible Renewable Energy Ordinance or PA 233.

We directed him to the Township Board on the following Wednesday. We also informed him that we have a solar ordinance found in our ordinance book in Article XI.

Township Board Report: Andrew Nesbitt discussed the board's action on the sign ordinance. The attorney continues to work on the changes made. The attorney and the board liked the changes made, but are not rushing the review process.

Old Business: When the ordinance review by the attorney is complete, the Township Board recommended that a public hearing take place. The Planning Commission is considering a June Public Hearing if the review is complete. No date has been confirmed.

New Business: The Chair requested a training on our audio visual equipment by members to familiarize them with the use and operation of the equipment.

Cemetery Sextent: A request was made by the cemetery sextant to review and update our cemetery ordinance.

Motion to adjourn by Gregg Brucks. Supported by Todd Hackenberg. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Next meeting May 7, 2025