



**Public Hearing Meeting Minutes  
Zoning Ordinance Amendments  
July 13, 2020 7:00pm**

**ATTENDANCE**

Clerk Molly Weber  
Supervisor Jim Sipe

**Planning Commission Members Present**

Ryan Sunquist  
Mike Tix  
Casondra Schaffer  
David Peine

**Planning Commission Members Absent**

Jeremy Irrthum

The purpose of the hearing is to consider, hear from the public, and to act on a recommendation to the Town Board regarding proposed amendments to the Town's zoning ordinance. The amendments include, but are not limited to, adding definitions, application requirements and processing timelines, revisions to allowed uses, accessory building requirements, solar energy provisions, and other changes.

The standard Public Hearing Process was explained at the meetings opening.

1. Introduction: outline the rules, talk about what the rules are and follow that plan
2. Establish the ground rules: public will be limited to 5 minutes
3. Applicant presentation: applicant presents what they want to build
4. Public Testimony: anyone from public can voice their opinion
5. Rebuttal Testimony: applicant can counter any questions made by the public testimony
6. Closing

**Applicant Presentation:**

There are multiple amendments to be incorporated into the Hampton Township Zoning Ordinance like green houses, nursery, solar changes, etc. There are 11 pages of various changes proposed.

**Public Testimony:**

This was limited to 5 minutes per person.

David Peine had a question for Jim Sipe in which he asked what the local assessor meant under AG Building. Jim confirmed this meant Dakota County.

Jim Sipe said the Zoning Ordinance Amendments all started a year ago with the Clustering Amendment and the Board passed the Clustering Amendment without the Planning Commission wanting it so the Board decided we should take a closer look at these and clean up changes like greenhouse, nursery, road frontage issues, etc and that a solar for residential is more like AG and not necessary to have a Conditional Use Permit. So there was a lot of clean up made to the Ordinance. So the Clustering Amendment and this new Amendment will be incorporated into our Zoning Ordinance Manual.

**Rebuttal:** none

**Planning Commission Discussion:** Everything looked good

**Dave Peine see's no issue with accepting the changes to the Zoning Ordinance therefore he made a recommendation that the Town Board accept the changes to the Zoning Ordinance. Cassondra Schaffer seconded it. Motion carried.**

Ryan Sunquist advised that the Planning Commission makes recommendations but the Town Board makes the final decision at the meeting on Tuesday July 21, 2020 at 7pm.

**Cassondra Schaffer made a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing at 7:22pm. Dave Peine seconded. Public Hearing was closed.**