

Palmyra Township
Planning Commission Meeting
October 7, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairperson, John Turpening.

Present: John Turpening, Ryan Mapstone, Vivian Pell, Mark Crane, Carmen Loar, Rich Beauleaux, Dean Schnieder,

Absent: None

Audience in attendance: 3

Motion by Dean Schnieder to approve agenda as presented, carried by John Turpening. **Motion carried.**

Motion by Rich Beauleaux to approve amended September 8, 2025 Special Meeting Minutes, supported by Dean Schnieder. Members agreed to change "... increasing the Overlay District by approximately 1,000 viable acres" to "... increasing the Overlay District to approximately 1,000 viable acres". **Motion carried.**

Public Comments

- None

Opening of Public Hearing

Motion to open Public Hearing at 7:07 pm by Carmen Loar, supported by Dean Schnieder. **Roll call vote:** John Turpening – yes; Ryan Mapstone – yes; Vivian Pell – yes; Mark Crane – yes; Carmen Loar – yes; Rich Beauleaux – yes; Dean Schnieder – yes. **Motion carried.**

Amendment of SECTION 8.13 - SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS (SES) paragraph E

- Recommend Palmyra Township Board send decommissioning information to Homier for review.

Public Comment: None

- Mark Crane recommended website and ordinance be reviewed. Information on Township website and current ordinance do not match at this time.

Review of Renewable Energy Overlay Map

- Members reviewed the Renewable Energy Overlay Map presented by John Turpening. The expansion of the Renewable Energy Overlay District is to be up to, but not to exceed 1,000 net buildable acres. This increases the entire gross overlay acreage to approximately 1,616.197 acres. Members also discussed land included and what happens if PA 233 is repealed.

Motion to Amend the Renewable Energy Overlay Map of the Zoning Ordinance- Article VIII, Section 8.13, E by Ryan Mapstone, supported by Rich Beauleaux.

Roll call vote: John Turpening – yes; Ryan Mapstone – yes; Vivian Pell – yes; Mark Crane – yes; Carmen Loar – yes; Rich Beauleaux – yes; Dean Schnieder – yes. **Motion carried.**

Motion to close Public Hearing at 7:58 pm by Dean Schnieder, supported by Carmen Loar. **Roll call vote:** John Turpening – yes; Ryan Mapstone – yes; Vivian Pell – yes; Mark Crane – yes; Carmen Loar – yes; Rich Beauleaux – yes; Dean Schnieder – yes. **Motion carried.**

- Motion to recommend Board to send SES Ordinance to Homier for Review on decommissioning language and Special Use Permit Fee Structure for Green Energy by Dean Schnieder, supported by Ryan Mapstone. **Roll call vote:** John Turpening – yes; Ryan Mapstone – yes; Vivian Pell – yes; Mark Crane – yes; Carmen Loar – yes; Rich Beauleaux – yes; Dean Schnieder – yes. **Motion carried.**

Next meeting: November 4, 2025

Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:13 pm by Carmen Loar. Supported by Dean Schnieder. **Motion carried.**

These minutes were recorded by Carmen Loar.