



Observer Report

Date:	1/25/2022
Media coverage?	No
Was there a quorum?	Yes
Number of attendees	Several (11-19)
Was the agenda posted in advance?	Yes it was
Sufficient time for public comments?	Yes
Topics of Note/Interesting Topic	<p>Community Solar Programs - There was discussion re the energy savings that Maine Township citizens would have if they signed up with one of the two solar brokerage companies discussed at the meeting tonight -Arcadia and Solstice. These programs are voluntary and work in conjunction with ComEd. There were some differences in the rebates and potential savings that the companies presented. It should be noted that Maine Township does not sign a contract with these companies...the contracts are between the individual citizens and the solar energy companies. Maine Township would facilitate a marketing campaign that would present the programs, fees and savings to the citizens. The township would also notify citizens that the companies have been checked out and appear legitimate. There would, however, be a donation to the township for each citizen who signed a contract with one of the companies.</p>
Topics of Note//Interesting Topic	<p>Public Relations audit and suggestions - prepared by Robert Finn and Marty McAlrin. These gentlemen presented several suggestions to support public relations between the township and its citizens. Suggestions included the following: web site suggestions including video presentations, printing of the quarterly newsletter in other languages other than just English, increase social media presence(i.e. create a Linkin page) and distribute an e-newsletter. The purpose of the above suggestions would be to decrease the costs of printing materials as well as reaching more citizens.</p>
Topics of Note/Interesting Topic	<p>Cybersecurity Audit - no vote was taken this evening as the township is waiting to get more information regarding the grant process for supporting this proces</p>
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Any topics relevant to LWVPR positions?	The solar program would be the most relevant to the LWVPR as it supports the league's efforts to promote environmental programs.
Were members civil to each other and the public?	Yes
If no, explain:	
Facilities (select any deficits)	
Officials attentive and alert?	Yes
Adequate discussion of issues?	
Any other observations about the meeting?	The board members are very professional and attentive to the needs and make up of the citizenry of Maine Township.
Meeting Adjourned	9:15:00 PM
Was the agenda followed as it was published?	Yes
If agenda was not followed as it was published, describe why:	