

Swarthmore Planning Commission

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date March 17, 2021

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| Commission Attendees | Chris DeBruyn – Chair, Acting Secretary Steve Minton Nancy Templeton Don Jones Douglas Perry | Rex Brien Laura Poltronieri David Virgil James Levine Elizabeth Jenkins Doug Harnsberger |
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Also in Attendance Betsy Larsen Borough Council Liaison
~~Jane Billings~~ Borough Manager

Meeting Location Online Meeting

- C. DeBruyn called the meeting to order at approximately 7:35 PM

OLD BUSINESS

- Motion was made to approve the minutes from the February meeting of the Planning Commission.
 - Motion was unanimously approved.
- Further Discussion of Proposed solar power equipment ordinance
 - Elizabeth related a discussion and vote by the Swarthmore EAC regarding the proposed ordinance.
 - EAC recommends “By right” for roof mount, rear yard mount, and on existing impervious surfaces”.
 - Extended discussion around installing solar panels on the ground in the front yard.
 - Proposed ordinance was modified to include allowing solar panel systems to be installed as close as 3’ from a property line in a rear or side yard and prohibiting installation in between the front building line and the front street line.
 - Approval of the proposed ordinance was motioned and seconded. The vote was in favor.
- Further Discussion of revisions to SALDO 1288.04
 - Chris provided a comparison document, including the existing language, the Delaware county sample ordinance language, and a proposed ordinance language.

NEW BUSINESS

- Future meetings may require the Planning Commission to act as a Fair Housing Accommodations board. Chris provided a summary of those responsibilities, and a history of Fair Housing Accommodations actions in the past.

Next meeting:

The next meeting will be held Wednesday April 21, 2021.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.

End of Meeting Minutes