

# Feb 20, 2023 MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE INGERSOLL TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION,  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH, 2023, 6:30 P.M.,  
TOWNSHIP HALL, INGERSOLL TOWNSHIP, MIDLAND, MICHIGAN

1. **Meeting called to order by Chairman Mapes 6:42PM.**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**
3. **Roll Call** - Mapes, Kipfmiller, Graebner, Loeffler, Shaffner,  
**Absent** – Sian, K. Nielsen  
**Others Present** – Jerry Nielsen (Township Zone Enforcement Officer), Jenn (Spicer Group), and 12 others
4. **Approval of Minutes** Motion by Kipfmiller to approve the minutes from January 16, 2023, Support by Mapes. Full support. 5-0.
5. **Approval of Agenda** Motion by Loeffler to approve the agenda. Support by Kipfmiller. Full support. 5-0.
6. **Public Hearings** – Opened at 6:48PM with Mapes and Board discussing solar ordinance, Jenn clarifying changes to ordinance.
  - a. Jason (DTE) – Fence is typically wood framed, 7 foot in height, 25 ft from panels.
  - b. Discussed updating special use permit to exclude the Industrial rezoning requirement
  - c. Solar facilities may cross road right ways as long as maintaining 75 acres in size
  - d. Discussed requiring professional landscape opinion of soil and native growth for facility screen
  - e. chain link fence is not allowed unless under electrical code
7. **Public Comments** - Opened up for public comment at 8:15PM.
  - kim Heisler concerns for application process in which there will be two different forms making township operations difficult.
  - Bob questioned when finalized ordinance will be out for residence to view.
  - Mary Ellen questioned if ordinance change should be sent to township attorney. Also comments on sending to midland county planning.Public hearing closed at 8:26
8. **Report of the Board** -planning an zoning training in march, potential CPR training course. New website up and running,
9. **Report of the Zoning Enforcement Officer** -fister fire scheduled for court Thursday February 23<sup>rd</sup> for resolution.  
Investigation possible building violation.
10. **New Business**
  - None

11. **Communications**

-None

12. **Items for Next Agenda – march 20<sup>th</sup>**

-None

13. **Adjournment**

Motion made by kilfmiller to close the meeting, Mapes supports.