

Greenfield Township Zoning Commission

Hearing Minutes

Tuesday, February 27, 2024

- **Call to order**

The Hearing was called to order by Jeff Zech, Chair, at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 27, 2024 at the Greenfield Township Fire Department Meeting Room. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited at the opening of the Hearing.

- **Roll call**

The Chair requested a roll call:

Jeff Zech, Chair
Patrick Callahan, Vice-Chair
June Queen, Secretary
Jack Barr
Amy Brown

Kim Wickham – alternate (not present)

Lonnie Kosch, Greenfield Township Trustee

Guests: Danny and Beth Coleman

Jeff Zech opened the Hearing and explained the purpose of the Hearing: Newly revamped section, Greenfield Township Zoning Code, Section 425 – Alternative Energy Conversion Systems. This section covers solar and wind requirements that can be regulated within the scope of the Greenfield Township Zoning Commission (GTZC). For example, solar power 49 Megawatts of power and less. Patrick Callahan explained the solar energy template came from the Fairfield County Prosecutor's Office and language is consistent with other township zoning codes. The review and revisions have been ongoing for approximately eighteen (18) months by the GTZC. Recommended updates per the Regional Planning Commission have been implemented and with consistency maintained throughout the Code. The GTZC agrees this section is ready for submission to the Greenfield Township Trustees for review and hearing process.

Jeff Zech invited discussion, questions, and concerns. Danny Coleman asked if he may have a copy of the draft, which was provided by Patrick Callahan. Beth Coleman asked how many farms have requested solar power, and Jeff Zech responded that there have been Zero (0) requests for which the GTZC is aware at this time.

June Queen made a Motion to proceed with required review and hearing process per Greenfield Township Trustees to consider addition of this revised section to the Greenfield Township Zoning Code - Section 425 – Alternative Energy Conversion Systems.

Jack Barr seconded the Motion. Vote was taken: Patrick Callahan, yes; June Queen, yes; Jeff Zech, yes; Jack Barr, yes; Amy Brown, yes. Motion approved. Jeff Zech will compose the recommendation letter and send to the Greenfield Township Trustees.

- **Next Greenfield Township Zoning Commission Hearing**

None Scheduled

June Queen made a Motion to adjourn the Hearing; Patrick Callahan seconded the Motion. Vote was taken: Patrick Callahan, yes; June Queen, yes; Jeff Zech, yes; Jack Barr, yes; Amy Brown, yes; The Hearing was adjourned at approximately 6:13 pm.

Respectfully Submitted By: June Queen, Commission Secretary