Planning Commission Meeting (Scheduled) March 25, 2025

Start Time	7:00 pm
Members Present	Broderick, Duncan, Green, Lauber, Stotler
Audience Members	

Meeting Focus or Work Completed

The Planning Commission conducted a review and comparison of the solar farm regulations outlined by Hart Township, the Michigan Townships Association (MTA), and the State of Michigan to determine what is best for Weare Township.

Motions/Actions

The Commission reached a general consensus on the following setback requirements: 100 feet for non-participating property lines, 65 feet from the right-of-way or public easements, and 300 feet from non-participating residences or structures. The Commission also discussed decommissioning plans, including the potential implementation of a surety bond set at 50% of the projected salvage value. Additionally, the topic of repowering—specifically, establishing guidelines for equipment replacement at the end of its useful life—was considered. Further deliberation was held regarding the application fee. The Board agreed that \$7,500 held in escrow would be an appropriate amount. The inclusion of provisions related to battery storage and/or substation capacity within the site plan was also discussed. It was determined that many of these details should be reviewed with Marc Daneman in order to benefit from his professional input.

Public Comments	none
Next Meeting	May 27, 2025
Adjournment Time	9:04