

Pierson Township Planning Commission
21156 W. Cannonsville Rd,
Pierson, MI 49339
Meeting Minutes
February 11, 2021 at 7:00 PM *person and zoom

The Open Meetings Act, as amended by Public Act 254 of 2020, extended the authority for public bodies to conduct electronic “virtual” meetings for any reason through March 31, 2021.

A) Call To Order: 7:21

B) Pledge

C) Roll Call:

Present at township hall: Ward, Moore, Grice, Ericksen Via Zoom: Lecceadone, Moore, Gates

D) Public Comment

E) New Business

a. Open the Floor for the Public Hearing on Incidental Building and Wind Energy Zones at 7:23 pm

Lou Freybler of 4615 White Road: Asked if the windmills made in the US and if owners understand the leases and how to get out or sell the property?

Chairman Ward responded that we [the township] don't have any control at that level, that our position was concerning location of towers, and effects of adjacent property owners.

The ordinance passed controls for wind turbine generators, working toward the protection of our township members. The hearing then focused on setbacks and if a wind zone should be created.

b. Closed Floor of the Public Hearing at: 7:54pm

Amend the Wind Ordinance [2020-01] to establish a Wind Energy Zone that allows Commercial Wind Tower construction to those areas east of Federal (Northland) in Pierson Township.

Motion: Grice

2nd: Lecceadone

Aye: All

Nay: None

c. Open the floor for Public Hearing for Incidental Buildings at: 8:06 pm

Discussion on ordinance language for incidental buildings, size, and allowable areas with setbacks. Deputy Supervisor Gates will get the proper “language” for amendment.

d. Close the floor for Public Hearing at: 8:25 pm

[Amend Ordinance language to] allow an Incidental Building of (10x20) 200 square feet or less, with the set back no less than 6 feet from back or side lot line with a maximum height with a 12-foot-high peak.

Motion: Lecceadone 2nd: Grice Aye: All Nay: None

F) Other Business

1) Noise Ordinance: discussion about revising language from "Noise" to "Nuisance" and enforcement. No action taken.

G) Public Comment

H) Adjournment: 8:39 pm

Motion: Grice 2nd: Ericksen Aye: All Nay: None