

**WAYLAND TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES FOR THE MEETING ON 5-14-2025**

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Bob Fryling
2. ROLL CALL: Ron DeVries, Deb Nardin, Bob Fryling, Jerry Ross, Larry Brenner, Rodney Standish and Township Planner Rebecca Harvey. Matt Miner was absent with prior notification.
3. ACCEPT AND/OR REVISE MINUTES: A motion to accept the minutes from 4-9-2025 was made by Ron DeVries, 2nd by Jerry Ross. All Aye, motion passed.
4. ACCEPT AND/OR REVISE AGENDA: A motion to accept the 5-14-2025 agenda was made by Ron DeVries, 2nd by Larry Brenner. All Aye, motion passed.
5. PUBLIC COMMENT #1: None
6. NEW BUSINESS: Battery Storage Facility Ordinance and Wind Farm Ordinance:

Matt Miner sent an email presenting his opinion on Battery Storage commenting “if they go in Wayland Township, they belong in the Industrial Zoning District only and are only permitted with a Special Use Permit”.

Colin Kummerfeldt, Development Manager for Apex Clean Energy, stated their Geo Tech and Apex personnel will be in the township over the next few months determining where solar energy farms could possibly be located.

Our Commission will research material and other township ordinances for uniform terms and language. The consensus is to not allow Battery Storage for Solar in the AG Zone.

7. OLD BUSINESS: None
8. PUBLIC COMMENT #2: None
9. BUSINESS SECTION: None
10. COMMITTEE AND SPECIAL REPORTS: Bob Fryling reported Allegan County Housing Shortage, Short Term Rentals, and a Legal Assistance Group (located in the city of Allegan) were discussed at the last Board meeting.
11. COMMUNICATIONS: None
12. ADJOURNMENT: The motion was made by Commissioner DeVries to adjourn the meeting, 2nd by Commissioner Brenner. All Aye, meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Debra Nardin