

Kearney Township Planning Commission
Minutes
May 19, 2025, Regular Meeting

Call to Order at 7:01 PM EDT

Members present: Tim Comben, Kevin Giar, Dick Jacques, Tim Murray

Pledge of Allegiance

Conflict of Interest - none

Comben moved, Giar second to approve the agenda

Giar moved, Comben second to approve the minutes of the March meeting as amended to correct spelling of Tim from Time.

Correspondence:

- Dick re State House passing proposal to return renewable energy siting to local authority.
- Michelle regarding a training opportunity in Lansing.
- Mancelona regarding Master Plan.
- Forest Home regarding Public Hearing.

Public Comment:

None

Reports

- Township Official, Tim:
 - Township investigating .gov URL and Email
- Zoning Administrator, Dan:
 - Reported on zoning activity in the last month.
- ZBA: Dick: no appeals have been filed

Old Business

1. Private road ordinance – completed last month
2. Rear Setback to 35' – completed last month
3. Sign permit – Completed last month

New Business

1. Zoning Ordinance Draft 2025 review
 - a. Discussion regarding how to proceed
 - b. Jacques moved, Murray second that:
 - i. Township Board members be requested to submit their concerns with the proposed Zoning Ordinance rewrite to the Planning Commission (PC) in writing by June 2, 2025 and that PC members distribute their concerns to the remainder of the PC by the same date.

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- ii. The PC discuss these issues at the June 16 meeting.
 - iii. The PC meet with Denese at the July 21 meeting to discuss proposed revisions to the current draft,
 - iv. The PC and Township Board meet in joint session with Denese to resolve the remaining issues
 - v. Target the September 15, 2025 meeting for a Public Hearing
2. Township Insight -
 3. By-laws of KTPC updates – completed last month

Public Comment: None

Commission Comments:

- Dick asked if anyone had input on how they might request zoning history. He is developing a database to index zoning activity and will include searches by parcel number, property owner, year, and others as may be needed.

Jacques moved to adjourn at 7:14 PM EDT, carried

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R E Jacques". The signature is written in black ink on a white background.

R E Jacques
Secretary