

MIDLAND TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION
MAY 1, 2024

RE: ESA SOLAR - BESS Special Land Use application and Site Plan

Call to order at 7:00 pm

Board:	Guests:
Deb Braeutigam	Kevin Henson
Andrea DuBois	1 Guest
Paul Heyse	
Robin Holt	
Tim Mott	

Approval of March 6, 2024 meeting minutes as they stand; moved by Robin Holt, seconded by Tim Mott. Minutes approved as they stand

Robin Holt reviewed where we are in the process; reviewed ESA SOLAR and their position.

Township planning consultants, Spicers Group, will review the application for compliance and provide reports and guidance. Spicers' report is pending a Township - ESA Solar escrow agreement.

Questions from the committee: Where does Consumers Energy stand on this project? Does it benefit Consumers at all? Why can't the project be built on Consumers (zoned industrial) property instead?

Went through questions for ESA SOLAR and/or Spicer Group.

Looked at EGLE document regarding rewards for permitting renewable energy projects.

Reviewed concerns of the public from last meeting.

At a public hearing, we will need to review and approve the site plan and recommend the ESA SOLAR special land use be approved (or not) by the township board. We must have reasons for our approval or denial recommendation.

Conditions will be discussed and set for the site plan and the special land use application at the same meeting as well.

Public Comment: None

Other Business: None

Adjournment: Robin Holt adjourned the meeting at 8:08 pm; seconded by Andrea DuBois. Meeting adjourned.

Next scheduled meeting is Jun 5, 2024 at 7pm at Midland Township Hall.

