



LODI TOWNSHIP

Planning Commission Data Center Sub committee
Thursday, August 20, 2026, at 9:00 am

Lodi Township Hall
3755 Pleasant Lake Road
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48103

Attendance

Jens – Christian Meiners – present
Cindy Strader – present
Tammy Froberg- absent (resigned)

Other Attendees

Attorney – Jesse O'Jack
Planner – Julia Upfal (OHM)
Supervisor – Jacob Schiable

Meeting start time: 9:00 am

Meeting end time: 10:38 am

Topics of Discussion

- Extension of Moratorium for High-Power Facilities (including Data Centers, Power Generating Facilities etc..) to finish drafting Ordinances was approved by the Board of Trustees at their 8/11/26 meeting.
- PC to recruit a replacement member for the sub-committee to replace Tammy Froberg at their 8/25/26 meeting.
- MTA is hosting a webinar 8/26 on Data Centers – some are attending. MTA is working on a draft ordinance template for Townships to access.
- Jesse would like a list of all the activities the Township would like this Ordinance to control. Chris had created a summary table of various high-power facilities and potential criteria for control by the Ordinance(s) which we discussed.
- Jesse suggested using our Extraction Ordinance as a template for regulating activities (construction, monitoring, adding fire safety. Jacob to forward a copy of our Extraction ordinance to the group (done 8/20/26).
- Jesse suggested that Marcus (Engineering) should review proposed ordinance as well.
- Julia suggested we consider language from ordinances from Dexter and Pittsfield Townships as to what size facilities would qualify as High-Energy facilities. She will forward to the group.
- Julia also suggested we contact Lyon Township regarding their experiences with these issues. Jacob to follow up.
- Discussed whether hospitals would fall under this category potentially.
- Jacob to send a copy of Saline Township Consent Judgement for our review (done 8/20/26).
- Need an overall map of existing energy resources (power, gas/oil, data etc.) from Hannah.
- Discussed use of a Development Agreement as a **requirement** for these facilities.
- Master Plan updates should include information on High-Power Facilities – potentially how they will be sited.

Action Items

- Set date for next Sub Committee Meeting in September.
- Submit (through Christina) any other facilities that should be regulated by this ordinance (beyond what is shown in the summary table from Chris.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cindy Strader, Sub Committee member