

Town of Harpersfield Planning Board

Minutes: **October 29, 2025**

Present: D. King, W. Keller, A. Gallagher, D. Cole and D. Darling.

Also present: L. Page and Letty Carlson from Delaware County Planning Dept.

D. Darling called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the September 24, 2025 meeting were approved with the following correction, on a motion by W. Keller and a second by D. Cole. Motion carried 5-0

In the fifth paragraph: Board members again discussed the NYS Adaptive and Resilience Program. D. Darling said this is a really big deal, with a number of items that need to be changed in the law.

There is nothing new to report on the Weaver Road solar project. It is awaiting hookup with NYSEG as they continue to negotiate with a neighbor. Once the hookup is approved there will be safety training regarding emergency response to the project.

The Bruce Hill Road solar projects.; D. Darling said there is an annual renewal of the decommissioning bond. W. Keller asked if they can be charged for extension of the project. There are questions regarding the decommissioning and extension of the permit. D. Darling will have the attorney look at it and will contact the consulting engineer working on it and the law firm in charge of the projects. The town supervisor accepted the conditions review and signed it. D. Darling is to get an explanation and contact the attorney.

The NYS Adaptive and Resilience Program update includes a copy of the training webinar on a usb stick. W. Keller again explained his groundwater concerns to Letty Carlson, who will be the planning board's new consultant through the county. Kent Manual sent the copy of the webinar that has already taken place and Letty said he signed up for any email updates. To date, there have been no email updates. L. Carlson said she will talk to K. Manuel and report back to the planning board. D. King will look at the webinar copy provided. It is possible the planning board could review together at a meeting.

There was discussion of the Mobile Home Park and Campground Ordinance the planning board has been asked to review by the town supervisor. There was discussion that it needs to be tied in with the town's Comprehensive Plan. There was discussion to review the Comp Plan to determine if other ordinances exist that may need review. Everyone was directed to ask the town clerk for a copy of the town Comprehensive Plan for review.

L. Carlson said the county is using a consulting firm to update its strategic comprehensive plan and some towns have also contracted with Fisher Associates to update their plans. She will get an idea of the cost if they were to help the town with their plan and to find out if they would accept in-kind grants.

A motion was made by D. King, with a second by W. Keller to change the November meeting from Thanksgiving Eve to Nov. 19. Motion carried 5-0

On a motion by D. King, with a second by D. Cole, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Liz Page
Recording secretary.