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Forest Hills Planning Commission

MINUTES OF 10/31/12

COMMISSION MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Norm Keller, Doug Philp, Marilyn Gelzhiser, Scott McGraw, Steve Greenberg and Lisa Michel
Solicitor - Krista Stalie

Absent: Bob Thompson
Meeting started at 7:35 p.m.

Minutes of the 9/29/2012 meeting were approved.

Also present: Carolyn Yagle from EPD. EPD worked with Penn Future on the zoning draft and related issues.

Carolyn made a presentation regarding a model ordinance for Solar Energy Standards.

Discussion:

- Current Forest Hills zoning ordinance does not define or have criteria for “solar panels”.
- “Model Zoning Ordinance” does not address all types of solar panels.
- Concern expressed about glare, which is not addressed in the model.
- Screening for ground-mounted units is not addressed.
- Committee creating model ordinance could not find consensus on issues including aesthetic regulations or nuisance issues such as glare.
- Carolyn can provide draft language dealing with various issues that are not included in “Model Ordinance” for the PC’s use.

Next scheduled meeting: 7:30 pm Dec 5, 2012

Meeting adjourned 9:25 PM

Minutes by Marilyn Gelzhiser