

BOONE COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION WORK SESSION
BOONE COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER, CONFERENCE ROOM 301
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Minutes

5:00 P. M.

Thursday, January 13, 2021

Commissioners present: Greg Martin, Jeff McCann, Fred Furlong, Daniel Mings

Attending by Phone: Boyd Harris

Staff: Bill Florea, Thad Yonke, Uriah Mach, Andrew Devereux, Paula Evans

The purpose of this work session is to begin developing regulations for Utility Scale Solar Facilities.

A power point presentation was shown which gave a brief summary of solar panels and things the Commission should consider when developing regulations including, but not limited to, the following:

- Land use impacts
- Locations
- Environmental impacts
- Visual impacts
- Decommissioning
- Setbacks
- Size and spacing of panels

During discussion, the Commission included the following additional considerations:

- Limit amount of grading that can take place at one time (land disturbance)
- Avoiding locations with steep terrain or limiting the number of panels in areas with steep terrain
- Mitigating the potential issue of individual, neighboring property owners with mid-sized operations joining together to create a large-scale solar facility.
- Battery storage requirements

Staff will work on creating a document and come back to the Commission for discussion at the next regular work session on Thursday, February 10, 2022 at 4:30 P.M.

Notes prepared by Paula Evans, Administrative Coordinator, Boone County Resource Management