

# Slippery Rock Township Supervisors

## Public Hearing Minutes for: 5/24/2021

*Chairman Paul Dickey called the public hearing to order at 2:45 p.m. John Hines seconded and the motion carried unanimously. Supervisor Terry Doerr was not present.*

In attendance was Supervisor John Hines. Supervisor Terry Doerr arrived at 2:50 p.m. due to a scheduling conflict. Also, in attendance was Mark Lazzari, Assistant Zoning Officer/Planner, Mike Hnath, Solicitor, and two members of the public attended in person and no one attended via zoom.

The Board of Supervisors introduced themselves and introduced Solicitor, Mike Hnath. Solicitor Hnath explained the purpose of the public hearing and then conducted the hearing on behalf of the Board.

**Heidi Hawk**, Court Reporter, requested anyone wanting to give testimony at the public hearing to be sworn in at this time and to please state name and address for the record, when giving testimony.

**Mike Hnath** explained Ordinance #2021-1, is revising Chapter 27 Section 301 to add uses and regulations with respect to wind and solar energy. He went on to explain Ordinance #2021-2 is amending Chapter 13, Part 2 regulations affecting junkyards.

### **Presentation of exhibits:**

Exhibit 1 – Ordinance #2021-1 revising Chapter 27, Zoning Ordinance

Exhibit 2 – Ordinance #2021-2 revising Chapter 13, Licenses, Permits and General Business Regulations

Exhibit 3 – Butler Eagle Proof of Publication – May 7, 2021 and May 14, 2021

Exhibit 4 – Butler County Planning Commission comments on Ordinance #2021-2

Exhibit 5 – Butler County Planning Commission comments on Ordinance #2021-1

**Mark Lazzari**, Assistant Zoning Officer, gave testimony concerning the revisions to Chapter 13, Licenses, Permits and General Business Regulations. The Slippery Rock Planning Commission discussed and made recommendations for amending Chapter 13 to update and clarify junkyards and junk vehicles. Improving the language for buffering/screening. Prohibiting the burning of vehicles. Also, adding that junkyard operators must comply with Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) waste regulations.

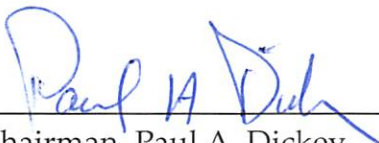
**Mark Lazzari** gave testimony concerning the revisions to Chapter 27, Zoning. The township was approached about solar and wind energy development. Consequently, it was investigated and decided solar and wind regulations should be added to the Zoning Ordinance. Large Solar Energy Facility, a utility scale facility used primarily for solar collection and conversion to electrical energy for sale and/or distribution for an off-site use. Small Solar Energy Facility is accessory to the principle use on the same lot. Wind Energy Facility is an electric generation facility whose main purpose is to supply electricity, consisting of one or more Wind Turbines and other accessory structures and buildings, including substations, meteorological towers, electrical infrastructure, transmission lines and other appurtenant structures and facilities. The changes also addresses zoning districts, lot size, setbacks, height, noise, glare, buffering, and fencing.

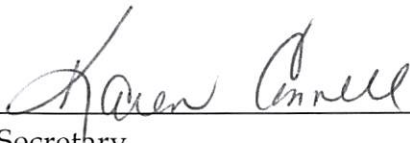
Open Comment(s) - none

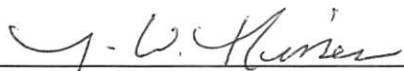
Questions/comments to Board of Supervisors – none

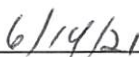
**Paul Dickey** announce to the public, inadvertently Ordinance #2021-1 and Ordinance #2021-2, where not sent to the Butler County Law Library, as required. Therefore, this public hearing will not adjourn but will continue on June 28, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.


**Paul Dickey made a motion to continue the public hearing on June 28, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. John Hines seconded and the motion carried unanimously.**

  
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Chairman, Paul A. Dickey

  
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Vice-chairman, John W. Hines

  
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Date approved

  
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Supervisor, Terry L. Doerr