

MAHONING TOWNSHIP PUBLIC HEARING
ZONING AND SALDO
MINUTES
October 24, 2023

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CALL TO ORDER:

Robert Slaw called the meeting to order at 6PM at the Mahoning Township Building 2685 Mahoning Drive East, Lehighton, PA 18235

PRESENT:

Robert Slaw, Chairman; Myron Blahy, Vice-Chairman; Deborah McGowan, Supervisor; David Pollock, Supervisor (By Phone); Ronald Reeser, Supervisor; Thomas Nanovic, Solicitor, Natalie D. Haggerty, Secretary-Treasurer

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Jake Arner concerns to reconsider not reducing size of lots. Believes sizable lots are more expensive for township residents who would like to share with children. Believes his subdivision is grandfathered in so request for consideration is for others. Believes a part of the ordinance that is considered Conservation Subdivision to not be reasonable except for flat farmland. His opinion is better to develop mountains and leave the farmlands. Has worked with Carob County Builders Association for years, his experience allows him to speak up for the people for whom he has more concern than himself. A possible increase in lot size is anywhere there is no water or sewer. Average cost for a lot in Mahoning Township is \$30-40k

PURPOSE OF MEETING: PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED REVISED ZONING AND SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE

Ronald Reeser has a lot of reservations about the proposed changes, especially in relation to the costs associated with building and developing. Concern of will we have the manpower to enforce the recommended changes.

David Pollock does not believe the revised Zoning and SALDO is not good for Mahoning Township.

Myron Blahy has great concern about whether we can keep up with the inspections and demands the new changes will put on the township.

Robert Slaw made a motion to approve the revised Zoning and Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance. Seconded by Deborah McGowan. Robert Slaw, yes; Ronald Reeser, no; Deborah McGowan, yes, David Pollock, no; and Myron Blahy, no. 2-3 vote. Motion failed.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION

Robert Slaw made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:40PM. Seconded by Deborah McGowan. Robert Slaw, yes; Myron Blahy, yes; Ronald Reeser, yes; David Pollock, yes; and Deborah McGowan, yes 5-0 vote. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Natalie D. Haggerty, Secretary-Treasurer