

ROME TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

April 22, 2025
Rome Township Hall

Rob Apoian called the meeting to order at 7:30pm. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

ROLL CALL: Pat Bournes, Scott Peters, Rob Apoian, Leo Oswald, Kevin Fisher, Matt Minnick and Sheri Wilt were all present.

OTHERS PRESENT: Several members of the public.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Sheri Wilt made a motion to approve the agenda for April 22, 2025. Motion seconded by Leo Oswald; motion carried 7-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Comments were made by several members of the public regarding various topics related to solar energy in Rome Township.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Review CREO Ordinances.

The Rome Township Planning Commission reviewed the CREO Ordinances created by Foster-Swift and ensued in lengthy discussion. Requested changes to the Foster-Swift ordinances included the addition of definitions from the proposed Rome Township CREO ordinance. Addition of the RO Zoning District to the Wind and Solar ordinances. Questions arose regarding the significance of the AA-1 and AA-2 zoning districts (and how they do not apply to Rome Township). Questions also arose regarding soil testing, 20% coverage limitation, and distance from the high-tension power lines. Question raised by members of the public included recycling, soil testing (before, during, after operation).

PUBLIC COMMENT: Additional comments, suggestions and questions were raised by members of the public.

ADJOURNMENT: Pat Bournes moved to adjourn at 9:30pm. Leo Oswald seconded; motion carried 7-0.



Matt Minnick
Secretary
Rome Township Planning Commission

Robert Apoian, MD
Chairman
Rome Township Planning Commission