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May 12th, 2022

On this date at 11:30 AM, a public hearing was held concerning Substantive Validity Challenge and Proposed Landowner Curative Amendment to the Cranberry Township zoning ordinance. The public hearing was properly advertised and which appeared in the The Derrick Newspaper on April 28th, 2022, and May 5th, 2022.

No members of the public attended the hearing. Present for Cranberry Township were: Township Solicitor Bruce Getsinger; Township Manager Eric Heil; Board of Supervisors members Matthew McSparren, Robert Betzold, Fred Buckholtz. Present and representing the landowner was attorney Jon Beckman, and several members of Cypress Creek Renewables via Zoom.

The hearing was called to order at 11:30 AM and opening remarks were given by Eric Heil Mr. Beckman then presented a factual basis for the validity challenge noting that the Cranberry Township zoning ordinance did not allow for solar development. Next, Mr. Beckman described the process in which the curative zoning amendment was composed with the cooperation of all involved parties, and to alleviate the ordinance not allowing for solar development. Parker Sloan (via Zoom) of Cypress Creek did also describe how solar facilities are developed, constructed, and maintained, including statistics concerning layout, noise, glare, and fencing. Other members of Cypress Creek did also assist Mr. Sloan.

At the conclusion of testimony, the township solicitor did make a recommendation to the board of supervisors that they make a motion to either accept or deny the curative amendment. Matt McSparren did make a motion to accept the curative amendment, second made by Robert Betzold. A roll call vote was then taken with McSparren voting YES, Betzold voting YES, Buckholtz voting YES. The motion passed and the curative amendment was accepted.

The hearing was closed at 12:02 hours.

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