

GREENE TOWNSHIP ZONING HEARING BOARD

– FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS–

Q: Can I appeal a decision of the Greene Township Zoning Officer?

A: Yes, determinations of the Greene Township Zoning Office may be appealed to the Greene Township Zoning Hearing Board.

Q: What is the Greene Township Zoning Hearing Board?

A: The Greene Township Zoning Hearing Board is a separate three member Board established by the Greene Township Board of Supervisors. The members of the Zoning Hearing Board are residents of Greene Township. By law, an acting Supervisor may not sit on this Board.

Q: What is a zoning variance?

A: A variance is permission granted by the Zoning Hearing Board for an adjustment to some regulation which if strictly adhered to would result in an unnecessary physical hardship, where the permission granted would not be contrary to the public interest, and would maintain the spirit and original intent of the zoning ordinance.

Q: Will my variance request be granted?

A: The basis for the granting of a zoning variance is as outlined in Article IX, Section 910.2 (a)(1)-(5) of the Pennsylvania State Municipalities Planning Code. A copy of this provision can be obtained from the Greene Township Zoning Office.

Q: How is application for a hearing before the Zoning Hearing made?

A: Applications are available from our office as well as on our web site. The cost for filing such an appeal is \$300 and is non-refundable regardless of outcome. This fee is used to help defray the Township's cost of holding the hearing.

Q: When does the Zoning Hearing Board meet?

A: The Greene Township Zoning Hearing Board meets once a month as needed, typically on the third Monday of the month. We must have the completed application and fee in our office 20 days prior to the meeting date to be on the agenda for that month's meeting.