

Chapter 80
LIGHTING, PUBLIC

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[HISTORY: Adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Bear Creek Township 8-5-1980 by resolution. Amendments noted where applicable.]

GENERAL REFERENCES

Subdivision and land development — See Ch. 109.

Zoning — See Ch. 127.

§ 80-1. Township to furnish lighting.

The Bear Creek Township shall erect, install, maintain, service and use or shall contract for the erection, installation, maintenance, service and utilization of fixtures for the purpose of lighting and illuminating the following public places within the Bear Creek Township:

- A. All cross, T- or forked intersections of more than one (1) township roadway.
- B. All cross, T- or forked intersections of a township roadway and one (1) or more nontownship roadways.
- C. All cross, T- or forked intersections of two (2) or more commonwealth roadways after securing authority from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for such erection, installation, maintenance, service and utilization.
- D. All curves in township roadways deemed by the Board of Supervisors to be dangerous following consultation with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation.
- E. At or upon all buildings, garages and other structural improvements now owned or leased to the township, and at or upon all buildings, garages or other structural improvements hereafter owned by or leased to the township.
- F. On any other real property owned by or leased to the township where, in the discretion of the Board of Supervisors, the public need, and not merely a private need, requires such erection, installation, maintenance, service and utilization of public lighting.

§ 80-2. Lighting to be adequate.

The lighting fixtures referred to in § 80-1 hereof shall be of such an illumination potential as to adequately illuminate those intersections, buildings, grounds, curves and areas for which public lighting is intended by the Board of Supervisors.

§ 80-3. Standards for determination of illumination capacity.

In determining illumination capacity the Board of Supervisors shall be bound by any minimum standards, statutes, rules or regulations as promulgated or adopted by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation.

§ 80-4. Review of existing lighting.

The Board of Supervisors shall immediately review all existing public lighting fixtures and locations to determine which, if any, do not serve a public need or provide a needed public benefit.

§ 80-5. Dismantling of unneeded light fixtures.

Upon completion of the review mandated by § 80-4 above, the Bear Creek Township, through its Board of Supervisors, shall cease the use of those fixtures which it finds do not serve a public need or provide a needed public benefit and shall dismantle and remove such fixtures or contract for the dismantling and removal of such fixtures.

§ 80-6. Responsibility of developers.¹

When streetlights are to be provided in a subdivision, the developer shall be responsible for making the necessary arrangements with the municipality and the public service company involved. When utilities are placed underground in a new road, the subdivider shall also furnish and install all items or things necessary to provide a streetlighting system within the complete subdivision in a manner so as to achieve the lowest rate for the cost of operation of said streetlighting for the township; all such costs of installation shall be borne by the subdivider who shall provide utility installation for said streetlighting, the only exception being if rock conditions would cause excessive trenching costs.

¹ Editor's Note: Added at time of adoption of Code; see Ch. 1, General Provisions, Art. I.