

**TOWNSHIP OF LIGONIER
ORDINANCE NO. 2026-OR-02**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LIGONIER, AMENDING AND
SUPPLEMENTING THE TOWNSHIP CODE, CHAPTER 9: BOARDS AND
COMMISSIONS, BY ADDING A NEW ARTICLE IV ENTITLED
“COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BOARD”**

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Ligonier wish to create a new advisory board for the purposes of Community Development; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors would like to make said board permanent.

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of Supervisors of Ligonier Township hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. The Code of Ordinances of the Township of Ligonier is hereby amended and supplemented at Chapter 8: Boards and Commissions, by adding a new article, entitled “Article IV: Community Development Board” as follows:

**ARTICLE IV
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BOARD**

§ 9-13. Creation of Community Development Board.

The Board of Supervisors of Ligonier Township hereby creates the Ligonier Township Community Development Board.

§ 9-14. Powers, Duties, and Function of the Board.

- A. The Community Development Board is established to advise and assist the Board of Supervisors on matters related to economic development, strategic growth, infrastructure investment, and community improvement within the Township.
- B. The mission of the board is to proactively guide, coordinate, and advance economic development and community investment initiatives within Ligonier Township consistent with infrastructure capacity and community character.

- C. The Board shall promote responsible development, encourage investment and business activity, and support initiatives that enhance quality of life while preserving the Township's character and long-term sustainability.
- D. The Board shall coordinate with other Township Boards as appropriate; recommend development opportunities; advise the Board of Supervisors on growth-related opportunities and risks; identify and pursue grants and other external funding sources; and represent Ligonier Township at regional and county economic development organizations and meetings.

§ 9-15. Membership and Tenure.

- A. The Board shall consist of seven (7) Voting Members and a maximum of three Alternate Voting Members who shall serve and vote at any meeting when Voting Members are absent or unavailable for any reason or when a vacancy exists and a quorum must be met to conduct business. Voting Members shall be appointed by the Ligonier Township Board of Supervisors for a term of three (3) years, except that the members first appointed shall be appointed so that the terms of not more than three members expire annually.
- B. All persons appointed shall serve their full terms unless voluntarily resigned or removed by the Board of Supervisors for cause, dereliction, or neglect of duty.
- C. Vacancies occurring other than by expiration of term shall be for the unexpired term and shall be filled in the same manner as original appointments.
- D. Members of the Board shall consist of anyone living within the Ligonier Valley School District, although a board majority must have their primary residence in the Township of Ligonier.

§ 9-16. Organization.

- A. The Community Development Board shall elect from its own membership its officers, who shall serve annual terms as such and may succeed themselves.
- B. The Community Development Board is empowered to formulate and adopt bylaws for its operation.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Supervisors of the Township of Ligonier, this _____ day of _____, 2026.

TOWNSHIP OF LIGONIER

By _____
Supervisor, Chair

ATTEST: (SEAL)

Secretary