

TOWNSHIP OF FISHING CREEK
ORDINANCE NO. 4 of 2002

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FISHING CREEK TOWNSHIP, COLUMBIA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, REQUIRING ALL PERSONS, FIRMS, AND CORPORATIONS OWNING REAL ESTATE WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF SAID TOWNSHIP TO POST AND DISPLAY BUILDING AND PROPERTY ADDRESS IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS AND PROVIDING FOR THE PENALTIES FOR FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OR PROVISIONS OF THIS ORDINANCE.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Fishing Creek Township, in furtherance of the general welfare of its citizens, deem it necessary to establish a uniform system of numbering all property, dwellings and buildings in said Township for fire and police protection and ambulance service and for participation in the Countywide 9-1-1 Emergency Communication System.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED, by the Board of Supervisors of Fishing Creek Township, (the "Township"), and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of same as follows:

SECTION I - POSTING OF ADDRESS IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

REQUIRED: The property owner and occupant of each residence, apartment building, or business shall post and display the legally assigned identification number assigned by the Township within sixty (60) days after said numbers are received by the Township in cooperation with the U.S. Postal Service.

SECTION 11- REGULATIONS REGARDING SIZE, POSTING AND DISPLAY OF ADDRESS IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS:

A. Size - The minimum size of any identification number, which is attached to a building, residence, or mobile home, is four (4) inches in height. The minimum size of an identification number, which is attached to a United States Postal mailbox, is one (1) inch in height.

B. Color - The color of the identification numbers must be such that it is clearly visible it relates to the background color upon which it is attached.

C. Posting

1. Every building, residence, or mobile home must have the identification number posted on its United States Postal mailbox, if such a mailbox is utilized and located directly in front of the residence, building, or mobile home.

2. Any residence, building, or mobile home that does not utilize a United States Postal mailbox that is located directly in front of the residence must place an identification number directly on the residence, building, or mobile home in a conspicuous place.

3. All identification numbers must be clearly visible from the street or road, which provides public access to the premises and cannot be obstructed by vegetation, trees, or any other object.

4. If any residence, building, or mobile home would not be visible from the street or road and does not utilize a United States Postal mailbox, identification numbers must be posted on a post, road, or masonry pillar visible from the street or road such that the identification numbers are plainly visible from both directions on the street or road.

SECTION III - NOTIFICATION OF VIOLATION: The Township Supervisors are hereby authorized to give written notice by personal service to the owner or occupant of any premises not in conformance with this Ordinance. Such written notice shall advise the owner or occupant of the provisions of this Ordinance and set forth the violation that exists. The violator shall be given fifteen (15) days after the issuance of such written notice to conform to the requirements of this Ordinance.

SECTION IV - VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES: Any owner or occupant who willfully violates any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall upon conviction, be guilty of a summary offense which shall be punishable by a fine of not more than One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) or in default of payment of such fine, then by imprisonment in the County Jail for period not to exceed thirty (30) days, or both. Each day of violation shall be considered a separate and distinct offense.

SECTION V - SEVERABILITY: In the event that any section, paragraph,

sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance by declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, the remainder of such Ordinance shall not be invalidated by such action.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED on this 12th day of September, 2002.

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