POINT TOWNSHIP, NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY, PA ORDINANCE 2022-08

AN ORDINANCE TO PROMOTE THE HEALTH, SAFETY AND GENERAL WELFARE OF THE CITIZENS OF POINT TOWNSHIP BY ESTABLISHING REGULATIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE PARKING OR PLACEMENT OF CERTAIN VEHICLES, TRAILERS, DUMPSTERS AND OTHER EQUIPMENT ON PUBLIC THOROUGHFARES WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.

IT IS HEREBY ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Point, Northumberland County, Pennsylvania, as follows:

SECTION I: General.

It is the purpose of this Ordinance and the policy of the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Point, in order to protect and promote the public health, safety and welfare of its citizens, to establish regulations with respect to the parking or placement of certain vehicles, trailers, dumpsters and other equipment on public thoroughfares within the Township and to prescribe fines and penalties for the violation of said regulations.

SECTION II: Definitions.

The following words and phrases as used in this ordinance shall have the following meanings:

Park or Parking The halting of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, except momentarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading property or passengers.

Truck Tractor A motor vehicle designed and used primarily for drawing other vehicles and not so constructed as to carry a load other than a part of the weight by a towing tractor.

Truck Tractor Semitrailer A trailer so constructed that some part of its weight rests upon or is carried by a towing tractor.

Truck Tractor Trailer A vehicle designed to be towed by a towing tractor.

Camping or Travel Trailer A vehicle designed to be towed by a motor vehicle and designed or adapted for use as a mobile dwelling or sleeping place.

Motor Home A motor vehicle designed or adapted for use as a mobile swelling or office, except a motor vehicle equipped with a truck camper.

Motor Vehicle A vehicle that is self-propelled except one, which is propelled solely by human power or by electric power obtained from overhead trolley wires, but not operated upon rails.

Recreational Vehicle A vehicle designed or adapted and used exclusively for recreational purposes.

Trailer A vehicle designed to be towed by a motor vehicle.

Truck-Camper A structure designed, used or maintained primarily to be loaded or affixed to a motor vehicle to provide a mobile dwelling, sleeping place, office or commercial space.

Special Mobile Equipment A vehicles not designed or used primarily for the transportation of persons or property and only incidentally operated or moved over a highway, including but not limited to: ditch digging apparatus, well boring apparatus; earth moving and road construction

and maintenance machinery, such as asphalt spreaders, bituminous mixers, bucket loaders, snowplows, ditchers, graders, finishing machines, road rollers, scarifies, earth moving carryalls, carpers, power shovels and drag lines; and self-propelled cranes and tractors, other than truck tractors. The term does not include house trailers; dump trucks; truck mounted transit mixers, cranes or shovels; or other vehicles designed for the transportation or persons or property to which machinery has been attached.

SECTION III. Prohibited Acts.

- 1. No person shall park a truck tractor or a truck tractor trailer or a truck tractor semi-trailer or a combination truck tractor and truck tractor trailer or a combination truck tractor and truck tractor semi-trailer or a truck classified by the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code as Class 4 or higher on any public street, public alley or public way in Point Township
- 2. Except as provided herein, it shall be unlawful for any person to park a vehicle of the class or type listed below, or the owner or any such class or type of vehicle to allow the vehicle to remain parked, on any highway, street, avenue, or alley within Point Township
- a) Any truck, truck tractor, truck tractor semi-trailer, or any combination thereof, having a height greater than nine (9) feet, or a length greater than thirty (30) feet, or a weight in excess ten thousand (10,000) pounds.
- b) Any trailer.
- c) Any motor home, truck-camper, recreational vehicle, or camping or travel trailer.
- d) Any trailer or special mobile equipment without being attached to a power unit or motor vehicle enabling said trailer or equipment to be readily removed.
- e) Any dumpster, collection bin, or other such non-motorized containers or equipment that does not have a permission from the Township and that does not have adequate reflectors or safety devices placed around or upon it to prevent a vehicle from colliding therewith.

SECTION IV. Exceptions.

- a) Vehicles of the class or type described in (a) above may be parked between sunrise and sunset for the purposes of loading or unloading property for a period not to exceed one (1) hour if parking is not otherwise prohibited.
- b) Residents may receive temporary permission from Township officials or the Chief of Police to place a dumpster for a period not to exceed one week.

SECTION V. Violations and Penalties.

Any person who shall violate any provision of this Ordinance shall have committed a summary offense and, upon conviction thereof, shall be subject to a fine equal to \$100.00 for a first offense, with said fine increasing in the amount of an additional \$50.00 for each subsequent offense (but not exceeding \$300.00 for any single offense), plus costs of such proceedings. The continuation of such violation for each successive day shall constitute a separate offense, and the

person or persons allowing or permitting the continuation of the violation may be punished as provided above for each separate offense.

SECTION VI. Enforcement and Administration.

It shall be the duty of the Point Township Police Department to enforce the terms of this article and secure compliance with the requirements thereof.

SECTION VII. Severability. If any section or provision of this Ordinance is adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unlawful, void, or unenforceable, all the remaining sections and provisions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION VIII. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective upon its adoption.

DULY ENACTED AND ORDAINED, as an Ordinance of the Township of Point, Northumberland County, Pennsylvania, at a meeting of the Board of Supervisors held on the 13th day of December, 2022.

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP OF POINT

Randall Yoxheimer, Chairman

Amanda McClain, Township Secretary

ATTESTATION

I, Amanda McClain, Secretary for the Township of Point, do hereby attest and certify that the above ordinance was duly advertised according to law and was approved by a majority vote of the Point Township Board of Supervisors at their regular meeting held on December 13, 2022.

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Secretary – Point Township