

**POINT TOWNSHIP
NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-06

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TOWNSHIP'S ZONING ORDINANCE (ORD. NO. 2022-01) TO ALLOW ADDITIONAL PERMITTED USES IN THE SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD AREA OVERLAY DISTRICT AND TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL GENERAL REGULATIONS WITH RESPECT TO AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITIES.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Point, at a regular meeting assembled, and it is hereby ORDAINED and ENACTED by and with the authority of the same, that the Township's Zoning Ordinance be and hereby is amended as follows:

- I. The following changes to ARTICLE 11 - Special Flood Hazard Area Overlay District:**
 - 1. Addition of Single-Family Home and Home Occupation to the list of Permitted Uses in Section 11.3.1.
- II. Addition of the following Section 15.3.3**

15.3.3 Other General Agricultural Use Regulations.

1.

Irrespective of the specific uses listed or permitted in any of the Township's zoning districts, existing agricultural programs shall be permitted and encouraged as an interim use until such time as the property owner sells or transfers his property interests to persons, agents or others interested in developing a use in conformance with the district regulations set forth herein. All agricultural uses initiated after the effective date of this chapter shall however be subject to the following safeguards and regulations:

A.

General Agricultural Use Regulations. The following general regulations shall apply to all agricultural uses regardless of the zoning district in which they may be located:

(1)

Private gardens shall be permitted in all zoning districts.

(2)

The raising of livestock or poultry for personal use may be permitted as a principal and/or accessory use in the A Agriculture, COS Conservation Open Space and R-1 Residential

Countryside Districts. All such activities shall, however be subject to the following lot size and animal density requirements:

(a)

Agriculture and Conservation Open Space Districts.

Lot Size	Maximum Permitted Animal Density
2 acres	1 AEU per lot*
2+ acres	1/2 AEU per acre

Notes:

* Animal equivalent unit (See also Pennsylvania Nutrient Management Act for a listing of standard animal weights).

(b)

R-1 Residential Countryside District. Animal densities permitted in the RC District shall be 1/2 the amount permitted in the A Agriculture and COS Conservation Open Space Districts for the lot sizes shown for large animal livestock. For poultry, a minimum of 1 acre is required, with 12 animals maximum density for the first acre and an additional 2 animals permitted for every additional one-half acre.

*Household pets are exempt from these regulations.

(3)

Buildings in which livestock or poultry are to be housed (temporarily or permanently) shall be set back at least 100 feet from all property lines and dwellings (other than the owner's residence) in the Agriculture and Conservation Open Space Districts and 50 feet from all property lines and dwellings in the Residential Countryside District. All other agricultural buildings shall be set back in accordance with the standards established in the "District Regulations," set forth herein.

(4)

All poultry on Residential Countryside District lots must be kept in an enclosed pen or structure, and roosters shall be prohibited in said District.

(5)

No outdoor feedlot, agricultural compost, manure or other similar unenclosed storage shall be located closer than 100 feet to any property line, well, stream, water body, or designated wetland area.

(6)

Nothing contained in this chapter shall prohibit a farmer from carrying out normal farming activities, including the spreading of manure in compliance with the requirements of the Pennsylvania Nutrient Management Act.

III. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its enactment.

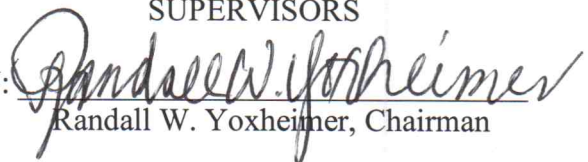
ORDAINED AND ENACTED as an Ordinance of the Township of Point,

Northumberland County, Pennsylvania, this 11 th day of November, 2025.

ATTEST:

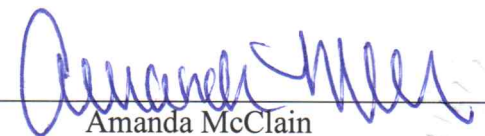

Secretary

POINT TOWNSHIP BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

BY: 
Randall W. Yoxheimer, Chairman

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 November 11, 2025.

 (Seal)
Amanda McClain
Secretary – Point Township