

## **MORGAN TOWNSHIP CODE ENFORCEMENT POLICY**

**WHEREAS,** Morgan Township has enacted several Ordinance over the years; and

**WHEREAS,** the purpose of the Ordinances is to protect the health, safety and welfare of the residents; and

**WHEREAS,** Morgan Township has historically taken the position that residents have the right to privacy and use of their property as long as it does not create a hardship to other property owners; and

**WHEREAS,** Morgan Township does not have a police force but does have a Code Enforcement Officer; and

**WHEREAS,** the Code Enforcement officer will normally respond when a complaint is made in writing to the Township; and

**WHEREAS,** Code Enforcement can be very costly to the Township residents and Morgan Township will attempt to stay within its budget restraints; and

**WHEREAS,** the Code Enforcement Officer for Morgan Township will need approval of the Township Board of Supervisors to initiate the enforcement of its Ordinances; and

**WHEREAS,** the Township believes it to be in the best interest of the safety, health and welfare to adopt this Policy.

**NOW THEREFORE,** the Morgan Township Board of Supervisors adopts this Policy as set forth herein:

1. In most circumstances, residents must submit their complaints in writing to the Township Code Enforcement Officer and the written complaints shall be private.
2. Once the Code Enforcement Officer receives the written complaint and receives Supervisor approval, he/she will investigate the same and contact the alleged violator to seek remediation of those matters in the written complaint.

3. The proposed remediation of said violation will be determined as may be set forth in the respective Township Ordinance or as circumstances may warrant a deviation therefrom.
4. If there is no compliance by the violator for the issues as set forth in the complaint, then the Code Enforcement Officer will file a Citation with the Magistrate.
5. There may be those situations where no written complaint is received, however the Code Enforcement Officer may receive direction from the Township Board of Supervisors to take action for any perceived violation of a Township Ordinance.
6. The Township Board of Supervisors reserves the right to modify this Policy from time to time.
7. This Policy does not create any rights in third parties concerning the enforcement of Township Ordinances.
8. In the event that any provision, section, sentence or portion of this Policy shall be held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provision of this Policy, as the provision are severable and would have been enacted had not such invalid provisions been included herein.

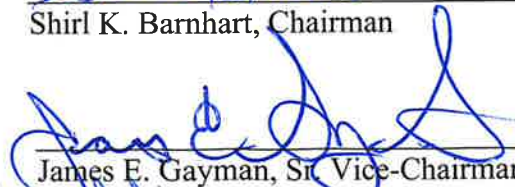
**ADOPTED** into law by the Board of Supervisors of Morgan Township in lawful session assembled this 2nd day of AUGUST, 2022.

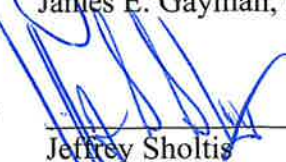
**ATTEST:**

  
Relda K. Litten, Secretary/Treasurer

**MORGAN TOWNSHIP**

By:   
Shirl K. Barnhart, Chairman

By:   
James E. Gayman, Sr. Vice-Chairman

By:   
Jeffrey Sholtis