

ORDINANCE NO. 03-02

TOWNSHIP OF MORGAN
GREENE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MORGAN,
COUNTY OF GREENE, PENNSYLVANIA, REQUIRING ALL
OWNERS OF RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROPERTIES TO
PERIODICALLY REGISTER THEIR TENANTS' NAMES AND
ADDRESSES WITH THE TOWNSHIP AND IMPOSING
PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.**

WHEREAS, it is now deemed necessary for the protection of the health, cleanliness, comfort and safety of the citizens of the Township of Morgan to enact this Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Morgan desire to require owners of residential property to periodically register their tenants' names and addresses; and

WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Second Class Township Code, provides authority to enact Ordinances relating to the subject of this Ordinance and the procedure thereof.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority conferred upon it by the Second Class Township Code of Pennsylvania, the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Morgan, County of Greene, Pennsylvania, does hereby enact this Ordinance as aforementioned by ENACTING AND ORDAINING the following:

SECTION 1: SHORT TITLE

This Ordinance shall be known as the "RENTAL PROPERTY REGISTRATION ORDINANCE."

SECTION 2: GENERAL SCOPE

The subject matter of this Ordinance is the requirement that owners of residential property periodically register their tenants' names and addresses within the Township.

SECTION 3: REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

No person shall hereafter occupy, allow to be occupied or let to another person for occupancy, any residential rental unit within the Township of Morgan unless said landlord/lessor notifies the Township within thirty (30) days after said occupancy, the name, address and number of person(s) occupying each specific unit and said specific unit is in compliance with all Township Ordinances, rules and regulations. The registration shall contain the following minimum information:

1. Name, address and telephone number of the property owner;
2. Name, address and telephone number of the designed local property manager, if the property owner lives outside the Township and has a property manager;
3. The street address of the rental property; and
4. The name, address and place of employment of the tenant(s) and all other occupants of the unit who are over the age of seventeen (17) or employed.

SECTION 4: REGISTRATION TIME PERIOD

A registration for each residential unit shall be filed by January 30th of each calendar year and, then throughout the year whenever there is a change of occupants as set forth above. All registrations under this Ordinance shall be forwarded to the Township within sixty (60) days after enactment hereof for the first year.

SECTION 5: FEES

A fee shall be charged for the registration as set forth by a corresponding Resolution, as adopted by the Township.

SECTION 6: PENALTY

Any person, firm or corporation violating any provisions of this Ordinance shall be fined not less fifty (\$50.00) dollars nor more than three-hundred (\$300.00) dollars for each offense, and a separate offense shall be committed for each day during or on which a violation occurs or continues to exist.

SECTION 7: SEVERABILITY

The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared severable, and if any of its provisions shall be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, or otherwise void for any reason, such decision shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions hereof; it is hereby declared to be the intent of the Township that this Ordinance would have been adopted if such invalid, unconstitutional, or otherwise void provision had not been included herein.

SECTION 8: REPEALER

Any Ordinance containing any provision inconsistent herewith to the extent that such provisions are inconsistent, those provisions are also hereby repealed.

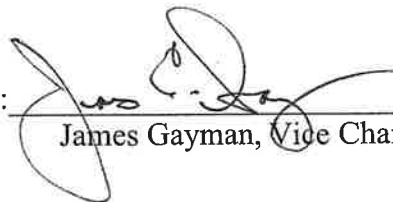
SECTION 9: EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall become effective immediately.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED INTO LAW by the Board of Supervisors of Morgan Township, Greene County, Pennsylvania, this 3RD day of DECEMBER, 2002.

**TOWNSHIP OF MORGAN
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

By: 
Shirl Barnhart, Chairman

By: 
James Gayman, Vice Chairman

By: 
George E. Handford, 3rd Member

ATTEST:


Relda K. Litten, Secretary

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