HANOVER TOWNSHIP, BEAVER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA ORDINANCE NO. 75

AN ORDINANCE OF HANOVER TOWNSHIP, BEAVER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 60 REGULATING THE PARKING OF VEHICLES DURING PERIODS OF SNOWFALL. THIS AMENDMENT INCLUDES AUTHORIZATION TO REMOVE OR HAVE REMOVED ANY VEHICLE VIOLATING THIS ORDINANCE, AND PROVIDING FOR FINES AND PENALTIES, AND A REPEALER.

WHEREAS, The Hanover Township Board of Supervisors is desirous to amend Ordinance No. 60; and

WHEREAS, according to the Pennsylvania Second Class Township Code, as amended, the Board of Supervisors has the right to set standards for use and maintenance of roadways within the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors is charged with protecting the health, safety and general welfare of its residents and the motoring public that traverse the Township on a daily basis.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED, by the Board of Supervisors of Hanover Township, Beaver County, Pennsylvania as follows.

- 1. All Whereas clauses above are incorporated herein by reference.
- 2. Section 3. Removal and Towing of Illegally Parked Vehicles of Ordinance No. 60 is deleted in its entirety.
- 3. Section 3. Removal and Towing of Illegally Parked Vehicles of Ordinance No. 60. is amended and shall read as follows:
- Section 3. Removal and Towing of Illegally Parked Vehicles.

The Hanover Township Zoning Officer or the Hanover Township Public Works Foreman are hereby authorized to remove or have removed any vehicle abandoned or parked upon any public highway, street, road or right of way in violation of the terms and provisions of this Ordinance, to issue or have issued citations for the violation of this Ordinance AND to have said vehicle towed by an Authorized Towing Service. The registered owner of any such vehicle shall be notified of the fact of the removal and of the place to which said vehicle has been towed, where he or she may obtain the same upon payment of any and all towing and storage charges. The payment of towing and storage charges authorized by this provision shall not operate to relieve the owner or operator of any vehicle from liability for any fine or penalty for violation of this Ordinance.

The Township shall attempt to give notice by phone, personal service or otherwise to the owner of such impounded vehicle. If such notice cannot be given as set forth above, written notice shall be mailed to the vehicle owner within twenty-four (24) hours from the time of the vehicle's removal, using the address on file with the Pennsylvania Department of Motor Vehicles. Neither the Township nor any of its officers or employers shall be held responsible for any damage to any vehicle occurring as a result of towing and/or storage of a vehicle parked in violation of this Ordinance.

- 4. Section 8 of Ordinance No. 60 is deleted in its entirety.
- 5. Section 8 of Ordinance No. 60 is amended and shall read as follows:

Section 8. Any person violating any of the provisions of this Ordinance, upon being found guilty thereof in an action commenced by Hanover Township before a district justice in the same manner provided for the enforcement of summary offenses under the Pennsylvania Rules of Criminal Procedure, shall be ordered to pay a fine of not more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) per violation. Each day or portion thereof in which a violation is found to exist shall constitute a separate offense.

The person in whose name an illegally parked automobile is registered shall be considered, *prima facie*, to have had control of the said automobile at the time of such parking.

6. Repealer. All ordinances or parts of ordinances which are inconsistent herewith are repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies only.

This Ordinance shall become effective immediately.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED THIS 13th DAY OF April, 2015 by and on behalf of the Board of Supervisors of Hanover Township.

HANOVER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ATTEST:

Chairman

Secretary

Supervisor

Supervisor