

ORDINANCE NO. 80

ORDINANCE OF HAYCOCK TOWNSHIP, BUCKS COUNTY,
PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 24 OF
HAYCOCK TOWNSHIP INCREASING THE NUMBER OF
MEMBERS ON THE PLANNING COMMISSION FROM
FIVE TO SEVEN AND ESTABLISHING THE NUMBER
REQUIRED TO BE PRESENT FOR A QUORUM AND THE
NUMBER OF VOTES REQUIRED TO APPROVE ANY ACTION

BACKGROUND

A. Article 2 of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code 53 P.S. §10201 et. seq. "MPC" authorizes the Townships of the Second Class to create a Planning Commission and to enumerate the powers and duties of same.

B. Haycock Township, by the adoption of Ordinance 24 on February 20, 1973, created the Haycock Township Planning Commission and provided that it would be comprised of five (5) members.

C. Certain administrative problems have developed, primarily related to the number of commitments citizen members of the Planning Commission have and the inability, on occasion, to secure a quorum in attendance at Planning Commission meetings.

D. The Board of Supervisors of Haycock Township, by the adoption of this Amendment to Ordinance No. 24, intends to facilitate the better operation of the Haycock Township Planning Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDAINED by the Board of Supervisors of Haycock Township that Ordinance No. 24 is hereby amended as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 2 is hereby amended to state as follows:

"SECTION 2. COMMISSION. The Haycock Township Planning Commission shall consist of seven (7) members. The

attendance at any duly scheduled meeting of the Planning Commission by three (3) members shall constitute a quorum. A majority vote of the Planning Commission members in attendance shall be required to approve any business before the Planning Commission. All members of the Planning Commission shall serve without compensation but may be reimbursed by the Township for reasonable and necessary expenses. At least five (5) of the Planning Commission members so appointed shall be citizen members and shall not be officers or employees of Haycock Township. Two (2) members of the Planning Commission may be officers or employees of Haycock Township. No appointed officers or employees of the Township shall forfeit the right to exercise the powers, perform the duties or receive the compensation of the Township offices held by them during membership on the Planning Commission.

As to the two (2) additional vacancies on the Planning Commission created by this Ordinance, one (1) member shall be appointed for four (4) years and one (1) member for three (3) years and, annually thereafter, the members so appointed shall be appointed for the term of four (4) years."

SECTION 2. Section 4 shall be amended to state as follows:

"SECTION 4. MEMBERSHIP. All of the members of the Planning Commission shall be residents of the Township. Five (5) of the members shall be "citizen members", that is shall not be officers or employees of Haycock Township during

their term of office on the Planning Commission. Two (2) members of the Planning Commission may be officers or employees of Haycock Township during their term of office on the Planning Commission."

SECTION 3. All other terms and provisions of Ordinance No. 24 are hereby ratified and reenacted and shall continue in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

ORDAINED and ENACTED this 4th day of MAY, 1998.

ATTEST:

HAYCOCK TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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