

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HAYCOCK TOWNSHIP,
BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, ADOPTING PORTIONS OF THE
2015 INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE REGULATING
AND GOVERNING THE CONDITIONS AND MAINTENANCE OF ALL
PROPERTY, BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 53 P.S. §66704-A the Board of Supervisors may enact a Property Maintenance Code; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 53 P.S. §66704-A, the Board of Supervisors may enact a nationally recognized property maintenance code and provide for changes or variations to said national code; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Haycock Township has reviewed the 2015 International Property Maintenance Code and wishes to adopt portions of the 2015 International Property Maintenance Code as the Township's Property Maintenance Code with the revisions contained herein; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors believes it is in the best interest of the health, safety and welfare of its residents to adopt this Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the Second-Class Township Code, it is hereby ENACTED and ORDAINED by the Board of Supervisors of Haycock Township, Bucks County, Pennsylvania as follows:

Section 1. This Ordinance shall be known as the "Property Maintenance Code of Haycock Township."

Section 2. That a certain document which is on file in the office of the Secretary/Treasurer of Haycock Township, being marked and designated as the International Property Maintenance Code, 2015 edition, as published by the International Code Council, be and is hereby adopted as revised herein as the Property Maintenance Code of Haycock Township, in the State of Pennsylvania for regulating and governing the conditions and maintenance of all property, buildings and structures; by providing the standards for supplied utilities and facilities and other physical things and conditions essential to ensure that structures are safe, sanitary and fit for occupation and use; and the condemnation of buildings and structures unfit for human occupancy and use, and the demolition of such existing structures as herein provided; providing for the issuance of permits and collection of fees therefore; and each and all of the regulations, provisions, penalties, conditions and terms of said International Property Maintenance Code on file in the office of Haycock Township are hereby referred to,

adopted, and made a part hereof, as if fully set out in this legislation, with the additions, insertions, deletions and changes, if any, prescribed in Section 3 of this Ordinance. The provisions of the IPMC (as amended by the Township from time to time) shall apply to all existing residential and nonresidential structures and all existing premises and shall constitute minimum requirements and standards for premises, structures, equipment and facilities for light, ventilation, space, heating, sanitation, protection from the elements, a reasonable level of safety from fire and other hazards and for a reasonable level of sanitary maintenance; the responsibility of owners, an owner's authorized agent, operators and occupants; the occupancy of existing structures and premises; and for administration, enforcement and penalties.

Section 3. Insertions, Deletions and Revisions

The following sections are hereby revised:

Section 101.1. Insert: "Haycock Township"

Section 103.5. Delete existing language and replace with the following: "**Fees.** All permit fees shall be governed by the current fee schedule adopted by separate resolution of the Board of Supervisors, as of the date of the permit application."

Section 106.3. Delete existing language and replace with the following: "**Prosecution of violation.** Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any provision of this code or who shall fail to comply with any of the requirements thereof or who shall erect, construct, install, alter, or repair a building or structure or do work in violation of the approved construction documents or directive of the code official, or of a permit or certificate issued under provisions of this code, upon conviction thereof in an action brought before a Magisterial District Judge in the manner provided for the enforcement of summary offenses under the Pennsylvania Rules of Criminal Procedure, shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$1,000 plus costs and, in default of payment of said fine and costs, to a term of imprisonment not exceeding 90 days. Each day that a violation of this Ordinance continues or each section of this Part which shall be found to have been violated shall constitute a separate offense.

Section 112.4. Revise: Any person who shall continue any work after having been served with a stop work order, except such work as that person is directed to perform to remove a violation or unsafe condition, shall be liable to a fine of not more than \$1,000 plus costs.

Section 302.3. Delete existing language and replace with the following: "**Public sidewalks and driveways.** Sidewalks, walkways, stairs, driveways, parking spaces and similar areas that are open to the public shall be kept in a proper state of repair, and maintained free from hazardous conditions.

Section 302.4. Delete existing language and replace with "Reserved."

Section 302.7. Delete existing language and replace with the

following: "**Structures.** Structures with a roof used for the shelter or storage of persons, animals or property, shall be maintained structurally sound and in safe condition.

Section 302.8. Delete existing language and replace with the following: "Except as provided for in other regulations, a maximum of two inoperative or unlicensed motor vehicle may be parked, kept or stored on any *premises*. Painting of vehicles is prohibited unless conducted inside an *approved* spray booth.

Exception: A vehicle of any type is permitted to undergo major overhaul, including body work, provided that such work is performed inside a structure or similarly enclosed area designed and *approved* for such purposes."

Section 303. Delete Section in its entirety.

Section 304. Delete Section in its entirety.

Section 305. Delete Section in its entirety.

Section 306. Delete Section in its entirety.

Section 307. Delete Section in its entirety.

Chapters 4, 5, 6 and 7 are deleted in their entirety.

Section 4. Repealer. This Ordinance hereby repeals any provision inconsistent with this Ordinance now in effect or of other Ordinances, to the extent of such inconsistency. All other provisions of the Ordinances of Haycock Township, not inconsistent herewith, shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 5. Severability. The provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable. If any provision of this Ordinance is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such determination shall have no effect on the remaining provisions of this Ordinance.

Section 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective five (5) days after its adoption.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED on this ____ day of _____, 2022.

ATTEST:

HAYCOCK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

Chris Bauer

Mike Lennard, Chair

Kathleen Babb, Member

Henry H. Depue, Member