

ORDINANCE 2011-1

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WILMINGTON, COUNTY OF MERCER, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, PROVIDING FOR THE ASSIGNMENT AND ENFORCEMENT OF A STANDARDIZED SYSTEM OF PROPERTY ADDRESS NUMBERING AND STREET NAMING TO BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF ALI (AUTOMATIC LOCATION INFORMATION) NEEDS OF THE MERCER COUNTY ENHANCED 911.

Whereas, Wilmington Township adopted Resolution 1991-3 to participate in Mercer County Enhanced 911 System for police, fire and EMS Emergency Services and utilize the Mercer County Emergency Services Center for the direct dispatch of police, fire and EMS services within its municipal boundaries; and

Whereas, By its adoption of Resolution 1991-3 Wilmington Township has agreed to assist Mercer County Enhanced 911 Services by, among other requirements, assigning residence/business address numbers where none exist and eliminate duplicate addresses, and

Whereas, effective and meaningful participation in the Mercer County enhanced 911 System necessitates a standardized system of house and building numbering, and a uniform system for the assignment of street or road names for all streets or roads, both public and private, necessary to preserve the general health, safety, and welfare of the residents of Wilmington Township,

Now therefore, be it ordained and enacted by the Supervisors of Wilmington Township, pursuant to the authority granted the by Second Class Township Code, as follows:

Section 1. Every business open to the public, and every residence within the Township shall be required to display a property address number consistent with a numbering system in compliance with the requirements of the ALI (Automatic Location Information) needs of the Mercer County Enhanced 911 System.

Section 2. Each property owner within the Township shall permanently display the property address number in a conspicuous place at the driveway entrance to the subject property where the driveway giving access to the premises intersects with a Township Road, State Road, or private named lane.

Section 3. The property address number shall be 4" high, ½" stroke, Arabic numerals in reflective white on a sign of contrasting background purchased at the township office. The sign shall be posted at the driveway, within 3' feet of the road right of way and

driveway intersection, and be placed at a height of 3' to 4'. House numbers must be visible from both directions of travel on the roadway.

Section 4. It shall be unlawful to cover any property address number with any sign, drapery, or other obstruction tending to conceal such number, and all inaccurate, obsolete, or non-conforming numbers shall be removed or replaced when a new number has been assigned, or when so directed by Wilmington Township. All signs placed in accordance with this Ordinance shall be maintained by the property owner, and replaced as needed.

Section 5. All persons required to post a property address number, as set forth herein, shall post number within thirty (30) days of the effective date of the Ordinance. The owners of new structures shall procure a number assignment as part of the normal building permit process. New structures shall be numbered within thirty (30) days after completion of the structure. Certificate of occupancy will not be issued until the assigned number is posted as required herein.

Section 6. All streets or roads within Wilmington Township, whether they be publicly dedicated and publicly maintained, publicly dedicated and privately maintained, or privately dedicated and privately maintained that intersects a township or state road, and having two or more residences and/or businesses open to the public, any of which are located 200 feet or more from the intersection and/or are not visible from the intersection, either at the time of the signing of this Ordinance or any time in the future, shall apply for and be assigned a publicly designated street or road name that shall be placed on the Official Map.

Section 7. Publicly designated, but privately maintained streets or roads within Wilmington Township shall be marked with street sign(s). Such street(s) or road(s) shall be privately maintained unless such street or road is brought to the Wilmington Township Board of Supervisors and accepted and ordained by the board. Any such designated naming of a privately maintained street or road shall not impose any obligation or liability upon the Township for the maintenance, inspection, or improvement of the said street or road.

Section 8. Any privately dedicated and privately maintained lane that intersects with a publicly dedicated street or road, shall post all address numbers at the intersection of the publicly dedicated street or road and the private lane, and additionally at the driveway for each residence off the private lane.

Section 9. Any persons, firm or corporation who shall number or attempt to number any house, building, or structure contrary to this Ordinance and the plan hereby approved and adopted or who shall, within thirty (30) days of notification by the Wilmington Township, fail or neglect to number their house, building, or structure in accordance herewith, or who shall fail to change the number thereof or fail to remove the old number in cases of a number change, or who shall fail to maintain their house number in legible condition, or who shall violate any of the provisions of this Ordinance, and any

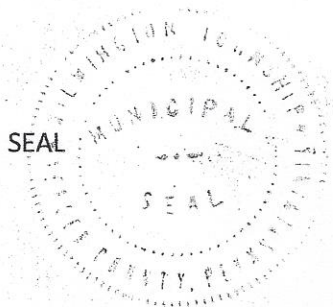
person or persons who shall alter, deface, remove, or destroy any number required to be displayed by this Ordinance shall be guilty of a summary offense, and upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than three hundred (\$300) dollars, the costs of prosecution, and reasonable attorney's fees, and, in default of payment thereof, to imprisonment of not more than thirty (30) days. Each day's violation of any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall constitute a separate offense.

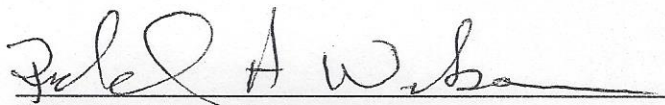
Section 10. In the event that any provision, section, sentence or portion of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions of this Ordinance, as the provisions are severable and would have been enacted had not such invalid provisions been included herein.


Section 11. All Ordinances or part of Ordinances, including Ordinance 1992-2, which are inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed.


THIS ORDINANCE is duly enacted and ordained this 10th day of February, 2011, and shall become effective seven (7) days after enactment and remain in force until modified, amended, or rescinded by Wilmington Township, Mercer County, Pennsylvania.

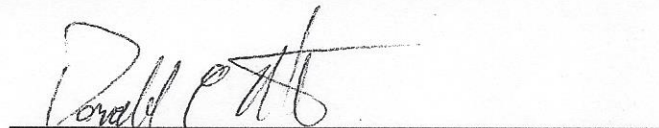
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