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OFFICIALS
of the
TOWNSHIP OF WALKER
County of Juniata
Pennsylvania

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Board of Supervisors

Chairman	-	Harry L. Shearer
Vice-Chairman	-	Harry Becker III
	-	Charles Rapp

Zoning Hearing Board

	-	George King
	-	Mervin Vendt
	-	Donald Page II
Tax Collector	-	D. Richard Hackenberger
Auditors	-	Vera A. Supplee
	-	Shirley A. Saner
	-	Denise Primak

APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Secretary/Treasurer	-	Nancy Baillie
Sewage Enforcement Officer	-	Page SEO, Inc.
Solicitor	-	Randall Zimmerman

FOREWORD

History

This comprises the codification of the Ordinances of the Township of Walker. Township of Walker was originally settled in 1765 and was incorporated as a Township on April, 1822 from parts of Fermanagh Township.

The Code of Ordinances of the Township of Walker was prepared by Penns Valley Publishers and was adopted by the Board of Supervisors on January 7, 1991 by Ordinance Number 1991-1.

Organization

The code contains four parts which are (i) the valid current ordinances of the Township of Walker contained in Chapters 1 through 27, (ii) the appendix which lists by abstracted title all ordinances of a temporary or "one time" nature, (iii) the key to the disposition of each ordinance every enacted by the Township of Walker, and (iv) the index which is an alphabetical arrangement of subjects.

In the code, each chapter is separated by a divider tab, and specific ordinances can be located by subject on the contents page at the beginning of each chapter. The index may also be used to search for a subject when one is looking for general information on a particular subject, or if it is not known in which chapter the subject might be found. The appendix consists of several general categories containing a chronological listing of short subject descriptions along with a reference to the original ordinance and its date of enactment if known.

The key to disposition indicates what action has been taken by the codifiers and the Board of Supervisors with regard to every ordinance ever enacted. An ordinance has either been (1) specifically repealed, (2) superseded by another ordinance, (3) is located in a chapter of the code book, or (4) is located in the appendix. Annual tax rate and budget ordinances are located only in the key. The key is a cross reference to the original ordinance books of the Township of Walker, and to the location within the code of each ordinance by number.

ORDINANCE NO. 1991-1

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WALKER, JUNIATA, PENNSYLVANIA; CONSOLIDATING, REVISING, AMENDING AND REPEALING CERTAIN ORDINANCES; ENACTING CERTAIN NEW PROVISIONS; ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO LAND USE ORDINANCES PROVIDING A PROCEDURE FOR AMENDING THE CODE AND FOR THE CITATION OF THE CODE AND THE EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF; ESTABLISHING RESPONSIBILITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE CODE; SAVING CERTAIN PROVISIONS FROM REPEAL; AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION.

The Township of Walker hereby ordains:

Section 1. Adoption. The "Code of Ordinances, Township of Walker," as prepared and published for the said Township of Walker by Penns Valley Publishers, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, is hereby adopted as a consolidation, codification and revision of the ordinances of the Township of Walker. Chapters 1 through 27 thereof contain the text of the body of all general administrative and penal ordinances of the Township of Walker organized as follows:

- Chapter 1 Administration and Government
- Chapter 4 Buildings
- Chapter 6 Conduct
- Chapter 13 . . . Licenses, Permits and General Business Regulations
- Chapter 18 . . . Sewers and Sewage Disposal
- Chapter 20 . . . Solid Waste
- Chapter 21 . . . Streets and Sidewalks
- Chapter 22 . . . Subdivision and Land Development
- Chapter 24 . . . Taxation, Special
- Chapter 26 . . . Water
- Chapter 27 . . . Zoning

Appendix:

- C Franchises and Services
- D Governmental and Intergovernmental Affairs
- E Plan Approval
- G Sewers
- H Streets and Sidewalks
- J Zoning; Prior Ordinances

Key to the Disposition of All Ordinances

THE APPENDIX OF THE VOLUME LISTS, BY SUBJECT MATTER, IN CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER, THE TITLES (OR AN ABSTRACT OF TITLE) OF ENACTMENTS OF SPECIAL NATURE OR OF HISTORICAL INTEREST, FOR THE COMPLETE TEXT OF WHICH THE OFFICIAL RECORDS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WALKER SHALL BE AUTHORITATIVE.

Section 2. Citation and Effective Date. The codification referred to in section 1 of

this ordinance shall be known and cited officially as the "Township of Walker Code of Ordinances", and all future ordinances shall make reference thereto. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon publication of notice of final enactment as required by law.

Section 3. Saving Clause. The provisions of the Township of Walker Code of Ordinances, so far as they are the same as those ordinances and regulations in force immediately prior to the adoption of said Code, are intended as a continuation of such ordinances and regulations and not as a new enactment. The provisions of the Township of Walker Code of Ordinances shall not affect any suit or prosecution pending or to be instituted to enforce any of the prior ordinances or regulations.

Section 4. Consolidation and Revision. As a necessary part of codification, the following provisions are hereby consolidated and revised as indicated:

A. Revisions

Chapter, Part, Section	Subject	Ordinance No.
1, Part 1, §101	Township Planning Commission	4/1/1968
1, Part 2, §201-203	Firemen's Relief Association	Res.12/2/1957
6, Part 1, §101-102	Disorderly Conduct	2-1980
6, Part 2, §201-202	Littering Prohibited	1966-1
6, Part 3, §301-304	Loitering Prohibited	3-1980
6, Part 5, §501-502	Malicious Throwing of Objects Prohibited	3-1980
6, Part 6, §601-608	Regulations for Protection of Public Property	3-1980
6, Part 7, §701-705	Consumption and Possession of Intoxicants in Public Places Prohibited	3-1980

Section 5. New Enactments, Amendments and Repeals. As a necessary part of codification, the following ordinances are hereby enacted, amended and repealed as summarized by short title:

A. Amendments

Chapter, Part, Section	Short Title	Ordinance No.
18, Part 2, §201, 203, 207	Sewer Permits	Res.1-1982, §§11,3,7
4, Part 1, §106(3)	Fee Schedule	11/3/1975, §6

B. Repeals

Chapter, Part, Section	Short Title
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11/--/1956	Trailer Tax
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Section 6. Land Use Code Amendments. The Subdivision Ordinances (8/28/1974) (Chapter 22), and the Zoning Ordinances (5/7/1975)(Chapter 27), of Walker Township are hereby amended as follows:

A. New Provisions. The following provisions are new provisions which are being added to the Code, are underline throughout the text, and are summarized as follows:

Chapter, Part, Section	Subject	Ordinance No.
22, 3, 304	Preventive Remedies	
22, 4, 406(3)	Review Fees	
22, 4, 407	Recording Plats & Deeds	
22, 4, 408	Effect of Plat Approval on Official Map	
22, 8, 803(4)(D,G)	Final Plan; Water Survey	

B. Revised Provisions. The following provisions of Chapter 22, Subdivision and Chapter 27, Zoning, are revised. In the text, the struck through sections are to be replaced by sections on the same topic that are underlined. These are summarized as follows:

Chapter, Part, Section	Subject	Ordinance No.
22, 2, 201	Definitions	8/28/1974, §202
22, 3, 305	Enforcement Remedies	8/28/1974, §304
22, 5, 513(4)	Sewage Disposition System	8/28/1974, §513
22, 5, 518(5)(D)	Markers & Monuments	8/28/1974, §513
22, 5, 521	Fire Hydrants	8/28/1974, §521
22, 6, 601	Permit Required	8/28/1974, §601
22, 6, 602	Application	8/28/1974, §602
22, 6, 621(3)	Sewage Disposal; Sewer Lines	8/28/1974, §621
22, 8, 802(2)(C)	Preliminary Plan; Water Supply	8/28/1974, §802

Chapter, Part, Section	Subject	Ordinance No.
22, 8, 803(4)(D)	Final Plan	8/28/1974, §803
22, 8, 804	Modifications	8/28/1974, §804
22, 8, 805	Completion of Improvements of Guarantees Thereof Prerequisites and Final Plat Approval	8/28/1974, §803
22, 8, 806	Release from Independent Bond	8/28/1974, §803
22, 8, 807	Remedies to Effect Completion of Improvement	8/28/1974, §803
22, 9, 901	Amendment	8/28/1974, §901
27, 3, 302	Definitions of Terms	5/7/1975, §302
27, 8, 804(K)	Development Plan	5/7/1975, §524
27, 13, 1301(1-4)	Appointment of Powers of Zoning Officer	5/7/1975, §901
27, 13, 1304	Enforcement Notice	5/7/1975, §904
27, 13, 1305	Causes of Action	5/4/1975, §904
27, 13, 1306	Enforcement Remedies	5/7/1975, §904
27, 13, 1307	Zoning Hearing Board	5/7/1975, §906
27, 13, 1308	Hearings	5/7/1975, §906
27, 13, 1309	Jurisdiction	5/7/1975, §906
27, 13, 1310	Enactment of Zoning Ordinance Amendments	5/7/1975, §907
27, 13, 1311	Procedure for Landowner Curative Amendments	5/7/1975, §907
27, 13, 1312	Procedure for Township Curative Amendments	5/7/1975, §907
27, 13, 1314(C)	Conditional Uses; Procedures & Standards	5/7/1975, §909
27, 13, 1315(2)	Special Exception Uses	5/7/1975, §910

C. Repealed Provisions. The following provisions of Chapter 22, Subdivision and Chapter 27, Zoning, are repealed, and are summarized as follows:

Chapter, Part, Section	Subject	Ordinance No.
22, 4, 405(6)	Review of Final Plan	8/28/1974, §405
22, 9, 903	Hardships	8/28/1974, §903
22, 9, 904	Reconsideration & Appeals	8/28/1974, §904
27, 1, 103	Zoning Hearing Board	5/7/1975, §104
27, 7, 704(1)	Conditional Uses; Planned Residential Development	5/7/1975, §516
27, 13, 1314(C) (1,2,3)	Conditional Uses; Standards & Procedures	5/7/1975, §909
27, 13, 1314(E,F)	Conditional Uses; Standards & Procedures	5/7/1975, §909
27, 13, 1315(3,4)	Special Exception Uses	5/7/1975, §910

Section 7. Procedural Changes. The following minor procedural changes have been made to existing Borough ordinances:

A. Grammatical and spelling errors have been corrected where necessary;

B. minor changes have been made to correct obsolete terms and usages;

C. the penalty provisions have been revised where necessary to comply with the Pennsylvania Second Class Township Code, Vehicle Code, Municipalities Planning Code and the Local Tax Enabling Act.

Section 8. Amending the Code of Ordinances. The procedure for amending the Code of Ordinances shall include the citation of the Chapter, Part, Section and Subsection to be amended, revised, repealed or added as follows:

A. **Amendment or Revision** - "Chapter ____ , Part ____ , Section ____ , Subsection ____ is hereby amended [revised] to read as follows . . ."

B. **Additions** - "Chapter ____ , Part ____ , Section ____ , Subsection ____ is hereby amended by the addition of the following . . ."

C. **Repeal** - "Chapter ____ , Part ____ , Section ____ , Subsection ____ is hereby repealed in its entirety."

Section 9. Responsibility for Code of Ordinances. It shall be the responsibility of the Township Secretary to maintain an up-to-date certified copy of the code of ordinances. This copy shall be the official copy of the Township of Walker's Code of Ordinances and shall be available for public inspection.

Section 10. Penalties. It shall be unlawful for anyone to change, alter, or tamper with the code of ordinances in any manner which will intentionally misrepresent the laws of

the Township of Walker. Whosoever shall violate this section shall, upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than six hundred dollars (\$600.00) and costs, or in default of payment thereof, shall be subject to imprisonment for a term not to exceed thirty (30) days.

Section 11. Severability of Parts of Codification. It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Board of Supervisors that the chapters, parts, sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses and phrases of this codification of this code is declared unconstitutional, illegal or otherwise invalid by the judgment or decree of a court of competent jurisdiction, that invalidity shall not affect any of the remaining chapters, parts, sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or phrases of this codification.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED this 7th day of January, 1991.

TOWNSHIP OF WALKER

By: /s/ John E. Wagner
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

/s/ Nancy Baillie
Secretary