

REED TOWNSHIP, DAUPHIN COUNTY

HOLDING TANK ORDINANCE

No. 2002-1

BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Board of Supervisors of Reed Township, Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, and it is hereby enacted and ordained as follows:

Section 1 - Purpose

The purpose of this ordinance is to establish procedures for the use and maintenance of existing and new holding tanks designed to receive and retain sewage, whether from residential or commercial or industrial uses. It is hereby declared that the enactment of this Ordinance is necessary for the protection, benefit and preservation of the health, safety and welfare of the residents of Reed Township.

Section 2 - Definitions

Unless the context specifically and clearly indicates otherwise, the meaning of terms used in this Ordinance shall be as follows:

A. HOLDING TANK shall mean a watertight receptacle, whether permanent or temporary, which receives and retains sewage conveyed by a water-carrying system and is designed and constructed to facilitate the ultimate disposal of the sewage to an approved site.

B. IMPROVED PROPERTY shall mean any property within the Township upon which there is erected a structure intended for continuous or periodic habitation, occupancy or use by human beings or animals and from which structure sewage shall or may be discharged.

C. OWNER shall mean any person vested with ownership, legal or equitable, sole or partial, of any property located in the Township.

D. PERMIT shall mean a written approval as issued by the Sewage Enforcement Officer

of the Township authorizing utilization of a holding tank.

E. PERSON shall mean any individual, partnership, company, association, corporation or any other group or entity.

F. SEWAGE shall mean any substance that contains any of the waste products or excrement or other discharge from bodies of human beings or animals and any noxious or deleterious substance being harmful or inimical to the public health, or to animal or aquatic life or to the use of water for domestic water supply or for recreation, or any substance which constitutes pollution under the Clean Stream Law (35 P.S. §691.1-691.100).

G. SEWAGE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER - the person appointed by the Board of Supervisors to administer the Sewage Facilities Act and regulations and/or Ordinance adopted thereto.

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Section 3 - Rights and Privileges Granted

The Township is hereby authorized and empowered to undertake within the Township the control and methods of holding tank use, sewage disposal and sewage collection and transportation thereof.

Section 4 - Rules and Regulations

The Township is hereby authorized and empowered to adopt such rules and regulations concerning sewage, which it may deem necessary from time to time to effect the purposes herein.

Section 5 - Rules and Regulations to be in Conformity with Applicable Law

All such rules and regulations adopted by the Township shall be in conformity with the provisions herein, all other ordinances of the Township, and all applicable laws, and applicable rules and regulations of administrative agencies of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.