

ORDINANCE NO. 2010 - 02

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE, SNYDER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, PROHIBITING THE DEFECATION BY ANIMALS UPON PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PROPERTY AND DESIGNATING SUCH DEFECATION AS BEING A NUISANCE, IMPOSING A DUTY UPON OWNERS OF ANIMALS TO DISPOSE OF ANIMAL FECES, EXEMPTING DOGS ACCOMPANYING BLIND OR HANDICAPPED PERSONS, AND FIXING A FINE FOR VIOLATION THEREOF

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the Monroe Township Board of Supervisors that the within Ordinance is in the best interests of the health, safety and welfare of the residents of Monroe Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Board of Supervisors of Monroe Township, Snyder County, Pennsylvania, as follows:

SECTION ONE: No dog, cat or other animal shall be permitted in or upon any public street, sidewalk, alley, park, parkway or other public place in the Township or in or upon any property belonging to said Township unless said animals are on a leash and are under the complete control of the person owning or, at the time, in possession of said animal.

Notwithstanding anything in this section to the contrary, no person shall be compelled to keep any dog, cat or other animal in his possession on a leash while in or upon any public street, alley, park, parkway or other public place in the Township if, at the time, said animal is securely confined in an automobile.

SECTION TWO. Any animal which scratches, digs or defecates upon any lawn, tree, shrub, plant, building or any other public or private property, other than the property of the owner or person in charge or control of such animal, is hereby declared to be a nuisance.

SECTION THREE. No person, having possession, custody or control of any animals, shall knowingly or negligently permit any dog or other animal to commit any nuisance upon any gutter, street, driveway in the Township, or upon the floors or stairways of any building or place frequented by the public or used in common by the tenants, or upon the outside walls, walkways, driveways, curbs or stairways of any building abutting on a public street or park, or upon the grounds of any public park or public area, or upon any private property other than the property of the owner of such animal.

SECTION FOUR. Any person having possession, custody or control of any dog or other animal which commits a nuisance in any area other than the private property of the owner of such dog or other animal, as prohibited in Section Two, shall be required to immediately remove the said feces from such surface and carry the feces in a non-leaking container.

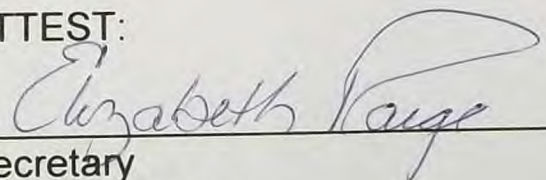
SECTION FIVE. The provisions of Sections One and Two shall not apply to a guide dog accompanying any blind persons, or to a dog used to assist any other physically handicapped person.

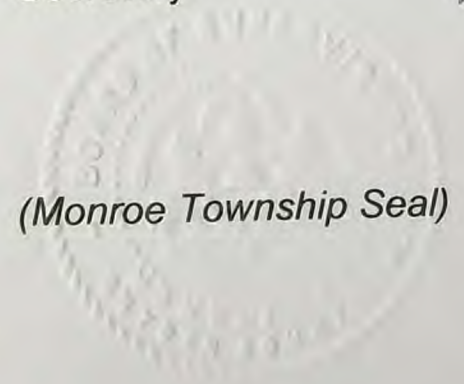
SECTION SIX. Any owner, person, firm, association or corporation who shall violate any provision of this ordinance shall, upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) nor more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00), or to imprisonment for a term not less than ten days or more than ninety days.

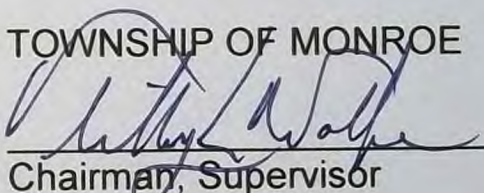
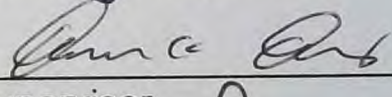
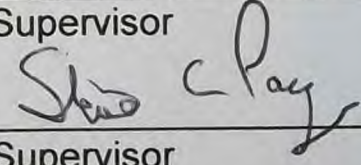
SECTION SEVEN. All ordinances and regulations inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION EIGHT. Should any Section or provision of this Ordinance be declared by a Court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance as a whole or any parts thereof.

DULY ENACTED AND ORDAINED this 27 day of April 2010, by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Monroe, Snyder County, Pennsylvania, in lawful session duly assembled, after public hearing following proper notice of its intent to adopt this Ordinance.

ATTEST:  
  
Secretary



TOWNSHIP OF MONROE  
BY:   
Chairman, Supervisor  
BY:   
Supervisor  
BY:   
Supervisor