

ORDINANCE - 2 1987

AN ORDINANCE OF MONROE TOWNSHIP REQUIRING OWNERS AND OCCUPANTS OF COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL REAL ESTATE TO OBTAIN AN OCCUPANCY PERMIT BEFORE MOVING INTO OR ONTO ANY COMMERCIAL OR RESIDENTIAL REAL ESTATE WITHIN MONROE TOWNSHIP, AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION.

The Monroe Township Board of Supervisors hereby ordains:

1. Purposes. This Ordinance is enacted to provide for the uniform and equitable distribution of the tax levies in Monroe Township and upon the inhabitants thereof as well as to promote the general welfare of the inhabitants of Monroe Township.

2. Definitions and interpretations. As used in this Ordinance, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated, unless a different meaning clearly appears in the context:

BUSINESS UNIT- A parcel of real estate, with or without improvements located thereon, utilized by any person or persons for any commercial activity or purpose.

DWELLING UNIT- A building designed or used as the living quarters for one or more families.

LANDLORD, a Lessor, or person who acts as agent for the Lessor, of any parcel of real estate located in Monroe Township, or any Lessor, or person who acts as agent for the Lessor, of any improvements on real estate or any building located in Monroe Township.

PERSON- Any individual, partnership, association, firm or corporation.

TENANT- A person who has the use, either by himself or with others, of a dwelling unit or a business unit owned by a person other than himself.

3. REPORTS BY OWNERS AND OCCUPIERS. Upon request from the Township, and after the effective date of this Ordinance, all persons owning or operating a business within Monroe Township shall apply to the Township Secretary for an occupancy permit upon forms supplied by Monroe Township and supplying such information as the forms shall require.

4. REPORTS OF CHANGES IN USE OR OCCUPANCY. After the effective date of this Ordinance, each and every owner or occupier of property within Monroe Township shall report to the Township Secretary on a form supplied by the Monroe Township, any change in use or occupancy of any dwelling unit or business unit. Reported change shall include the name or names of the new owners or occupiers of the dwelling or business unit, the date when such change was effected, and such other information as may from time to time be requested by the Township. All reports required by this Section shall be made within ten (10) days after a property owner or occupier or duly authorized agent has knowledge of such a change in occupancy or use has occurred.

5. DUTIES OF THE TOWNSHIP SECRETARY. The Monroe Township Secretary, under the authority of this Ordinance, shall:

A. Maintain on file at the Township Office, the names of all owners or occupiers of businesses, said list to include the names of the current owners or occupiers of the real estate as well as the number of employees of said business;

B. Maintain a supply of forms to be used in making reports required by this Ordinance.

6. PERMIT AND FEE. The Monroe Township Secretary shall, upon application pursuant to this Ordinance, issue an occupancy permit to the owner or occupier of the real estate which permit shall be issued free of charge.

It is to be understood that the issuance of an occupancy permit pursuant to this Ordinance shall in no way imply that the use of the property is proper under the provisions of the Monroe Township Zoning Ordinance.

7. PENALTIES. Any person who shall violate any provision of this Ordinance shall, upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars, and/or to imprisonment for a term not to exceed Thirty (30) days.

8. REPEALER. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances which are inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

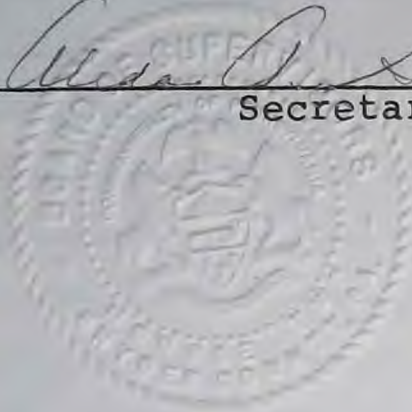
9. SEVERABILITY. If any sentence, section or part of this Ordinance is for any reason found to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid such constitutionality or illegality or invalidity shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, sentences, clauses, sections or parts of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared as the intent of the Monroe Township Board of Supervisors that this Ordinance would have been adopted had such unconstitutional, illegal or invalid sentence, clause, section or part thereof not been included herein.

10. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall become effective on January 11, 1987.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED this 5th day of January, 1987.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF
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