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ORDINANCE NO. 51

An Ordinance of the Township of Pymatuning, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, prohibiting the storage of junked or abandoned automobiles on the public streets or alleys or on public property within the Township and prescribing penalties for the violation of this Ordinance.

Be it enacted and ordained by the Supervisors of the Township of Pymatuning, Mercer County, Pennsylvania and it is hereby enacted and ordained by and with the authority of the same as follows:

SECTION 1: The following words when used in this Ordinance shall have the meaning ascribed to them in this section:

- (a) "Motor Vehicle" shall mean any vehicle designed for the purpose of transporting persons or property or for the drawing of other vehicles, which is self-propelled, whether or not at the time in question it is then capable of propulsion. The term "Motor Vehicle" shall also include trailers and semi-trailers designed for use with such motor vehicle above described.
- (b) The "Vehicle Code" means The Vehicle Code of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Act of April 29, 1959, P. L. 58, as amended.
- (c) "Owner" and "Person" shall mean any natural person, firm, copartnership, association or corporation.

(d) "Junked Automobile" shall mean any motor vehicle not in complete working order and without current registration plates or without a current inspection sticker.

(e) "Abandoned Automobile" shall mean any motor vehicle which has remained on any public street, alley or public place for a continuous period of 12 hours or more, and which, from its condition, appearance and other circumstances

JUNK – Any worn, cast off, or discarded articles or materials which is ready for destruction or which has been collected or stored for sale, resale, salvage or conversion to some other use.

NON-OPERATING VEHICLE – Shall be prima facie non-operating when it does not display thereon a current Pennsylvania registration plate and inspection sticker.

shall reasonably appear to have been discarded. The lack of current registration plates or lack of a current inspection sticker shall be prima facie evidence that the motor vehicle has been abandoned.

SECTION 2: It shall be unlawful for any owner or person in possession of any junked or abandoned automobile to permit such automobile to remain on any public street or alley or other public place of the Township for a period longer than twenty-four (24) hours after being notified by any police officer of the Township to remove such automobile.

SECTION 3: Any owner or person in possession of any motor vehicle violating the terms of this Ordinance shall, upon conviction thereof before any Justice of the Peace of the Township, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$50.00 and the costs of prosecution for each offense, and in default of the payment of such fine and costs shall be imprisoned in the Mercer County Jail for a period not exceeding thirty (30) days. Each successive day in violation of this ordinance shall constitute a distinct and separate offense.

SECTION 4: If any word, phrase, clause, sentence, section or part of this Ordinance is declared invalid or unconstitutional, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect or impair the remaining provisions of this Ordinance.

Enacted and Ordained this 14 day of July , 1966.

Supervisors

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