



MEMORANDUM

From the Office of the
Township Manager

TO: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
FROM: CHRISTOPHER BASHORE
RE: ORDINANCE NO. 9 – 2023
DATE: JUNE 6, 2023

Before the Board of Supervisors this evening is proposed Ordinance No. 9 – 2023. This proposed ordinance would amend section 25-19.A(1) of chapter 25 in order to outline that the first and second false would receive a warning. This would align chapter 25 with the amendment to the Township's fee schedule for false alarms that was approved by the Board at the May 2, 2023 meeting.

The proposed ordinance was discussed at the May 18, 2023 meeting of the Board, where it was authorized for advertisement. The proposed ordinance was advertised May 30, 2023 edition of the Daily Local News, as required, as well as posted on the Township website in the "Ordinances & Resolutions" section.

Please let me know if you have questions. Thank you.

WEST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP

CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

ORDINANCE NO. 9 – 2023

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST GOSHEN, CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 25 OF THE WEST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP CODE, TITLED “ALARM DEVICES”, TO AMEND SECTION 25-19 TITLED “FALSE ALARMS” TO ALLOW TWO FALSE ALARMS IN ONE CALENDAR YEAR BEFORE FINES ARE IMPOSED.

BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED, by the Board of Supervisors of West Goshen Township, that the Code of the Township of West Goshen, specifically Chapter 25, titled, “Alarm Devices”, shall be amended as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 25-19.A(1) shall be amended as follows:

“A(1). For the purposes of defraying the costs and resources to the Township for responding to false alarms, the owner, lessee or user of any alarm system or automatic dialing device, persons using the services of an intermediary, users of audible alarms and users of any other kind of alarm systems or any other kind of direct or indirect connection with the police communications center, except persons using the two-way live voice communication by telephone, shall, as a condition to installation and continued operation of such equipment or service, execute a consent in such form as may be prescribed by the Township that such owner, lessee or user shall pay the Township for all false alarms (as defined in § 25-1 of this chapter) following the second false alarm in accordance with the false alarm fee schedule established from time to time by resolution of the Board of Supervisors. This shall include that for the first and second false alarm per calendar year: a warning; provided, however, that if the Township responds to a false alarm at any location which is not registered and for which a valid permit for the alarm system has not been secured in violation of §§ 25-7 and 25-10, as a condition of registration of the alarm system, the owner, lessee or user shall pay the Township an amount equal to the fee for a third false alarm.”

SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY. If any provision, sentence, clause, section or part of this ordinance is for any reason found to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, such unconstitutionality, illegality or invalidity shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, sentences, clauses, sections or parts hereof. It is hereby declared as the intent of the Board of Supervisors that this Ordinance would have been adopted had such

unconstitutional, illegal or invalid provision, sentence, clause, section or part thereof not been included herein.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall become effective five days after enactment.

SECTION 4. REPEALER. All ordinances or parts of Ordinances conflicting with any provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed insofar as the same affects this Ordinance.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED THIS 6th DAY OF JUNE, 2023.

ATTEST:

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
WEST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP**

Christopher Bashore, Secretary

BY: _____
Shaun Walsh, Chair

Ashley Gagné, Vice-Chair

Robin Stuntebeck, Member

John Hellmann, Member

Tinamarie Smith, Member