

TOWNSHIP OF BRIDGEWATER

ORDINANCE NO. 10

AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE, ADOPT AND ENACT AN ORDINANCE CODIFICATION OF A COMPLETE BODY OF LEGISLATION FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF BRIDGEWATER, COUNTY OF SUSQUEHANNA, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA; TO PROVIDE FOR THE REPEAL OF CERTAIN LEGISLATION NOT INCLUDED THEREIN; TO SAVE FROM REPEAL CERTAIN OTHER LEGISLATION NOT INCLUDED THEREIN; AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF THE CODE OR CHAPTERS THEREOF

ARTICLE I  
**Adoption of Code**

Be it enacted and ordained by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Bridgewater, County of Susquehanna, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and it is enacted and ordained as follows:

**§ 1-1. Approval, adoption and enactment of Code.**

Pursuant to Section 1601(d) [53 P.S. § 66601(d)] of the Second Class Township Code, the codification of a complete body of legislation for the Township of Bridgewater, County of Susquehanna, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, as revised, codified and consolidated into chapters, articles and sections by General Code, and consisting of Chapters 1 through 310, together with an Appendix, are hereby approved, adopted, ordained and enacted as a single ordinance of the Township of Bridgewater, which shall be known and is hereby designated as the "Code of the Township of Bridgewater," hereinafter referred to as the "Code."

**§ 1-2. Effect of Code on previous provisions.**

The provisions of this Code, insofar as they are substantively the same as those of ordinances in force immediately prior to the enactment of this ordinance, are intended as a continuation of such ordinances and not as new enactments, and the effectiveness of such provisions shall date from the date of adoption of the prior ordinance. All such provisions are hereby continued in full force and effect and are hereby reaffirmed as to their adoption by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Bridgewater, and it is the intention of said Board of Supervisors that each such provision contained within the Code is hereby reenacted and reaffirmed as it appears in said Code. Only such provisions of former ordinances as are omitted from this Code shall be deemed repealed or abrogated by the provisions of § 1-3 below, and only new or changed provisions, as described in § 1-6 below, shall be deemed to be enacted from the effective date of this Code, as provided in § 1-15 below.

**§ 1-3. Inconsistent legislation repealed.**

Except as provided in § 1-4, Legislation saved from repeal; matters not affected by repeal, below, all ordinances or parts ordinances inconsistent with the provisions contained in the Code adopted by this ordinance are hereby repealed as of the effective date given in § 1-15; provided, however, that such repeal shall only be to the extent of such inconsistency, and any valid legislation of the Township of Bridgewater which is not in conflict with the provisions of the Code shall be deemed to remain in full force and effect.



**§ 1-4. Legislation saved from repeal; matters not affected by repeal.**

The adoption of this Code and the repeal of ordinances provided for in § 1-3 of this ordinance shall not affect the following ordinances, rights and obligations, which are hereby expressly saved from repeal; provided, however, that the repeal of ordinances pursuant to § 1-3 or the saving from repeal of ordinances pursuant to this section shall not be construed so as to revive any ordinance previously repealed, superseded or no longer of any effect:

- A. Any ordinance adopted subsequent to 4-16-2012.
- B. Any right or liability established, accrued or incurred under any legislative provision of the Township prior to the effective date of this ordinance or any action or proceeding brought for the enforcement of such right or liability or any cause of action acquired or existing.
- C. Any offense or act committed or done before the effective date of this ordinance in violation of any legislative provision of the Township or any penalty, punishment or forfeiture which may result therefrom.
- D. Any prosecution, indictment, action, suit or other proceeding pending or any judgment rendered prior to the effective date of this ordinance, brought pursuant to any legislative provision of the Township.
- E. Any franchise, license, right, easement or privilege heretofore granted or conferred by the Township or any lawful contract, obligation or agreement.
- F. Any ordinance appropriating money or transferring funds, promising or guaranteeing the payment of money or authorizing the issuance and delivery of any bond of the Township or other instruments or evidence of the Township's indebtedness.
- G. Any ordinance adopting an annual budget or establishing an annual tax rate.
- H. Any ordinance providing for the levy, imposition or collection of special taxes, assessments or charges.
- I. Any ordinance authorizing the purchase, sale, lease or transfer of property or acquiring property by acceptance of deed, condemnation or exercise of eminent domain.
- J. Any ordinance annexing land to the Township.
- K. Any ordinance providing for or requiring the construction or reconstruction or opening of sidewalks, curbs and gutters.
- L. Any ordinance or part of an ordinance providing for laying out, opening, altering, widening, relocating, straightening, establishing grade, changing name, improvement, acceptance or vacation of any right-of-way, easement, street, road, highway, sidewalk, park or other public place or property or designating various streets as public highways.
- M. Any ordinance establishing water, sewer or other special purpose districts and designating the boundaries thereof; providing for a system of sewers or water supply

lines; or providing for the construction, extension, dedication, acceptance or abandonment of any part of a system of sewers or water supply lines.

- N. Any ordinance providing for the making of public improvements.
- O. Any ordinance providing for the salaries and compensation of officers and employees of the Township or setting the bond of any officer or employee.
- P. Any ordinance concerning changes and amendments to the Zoning Map.
- Q. Any ordinance relating to or establishing a pension plan or pension fund for municipal employees.
- R. Any ordinance or portion of an ordinance establishing a specific fee amount for any license, permit or service obtained from the Township.

**§ 1-5. Inclusion of new legislation prior to adoption of Code.**

All ordinances of a general and permanent nature adopted subsequent to the date given in § 1-4A and/or prior to the date of adoption of this ordinance are hereby deemed to be a part of the Code and shall, upon being printed, be included therein. Attested copies of all such ordinances shall be temporarily placed in the Code until printed supplements are included.

**§ 1-6. Changes and revisions in previously adopted legislation; new provisions.**

- A. Nonsubstantive grammatical changes. In compiling and preparing the ordinances of the Township for adoption and revision as part of the Code, certain nonsubstantive grammatical and style changes were made in one or more of said ordinances. It is the intention of the Board of Supervisors that all such changes be adopted as part of the Code as if the ordinances so changed had been previously formally amended to read as such.
- B. Substantive changes and revisions. In addition to the changes and revisions described above, changes and revisions of a substantive nature, as set forth in Schedule A attached hereto and made a part hereof, are hereby made to various ordinances and resolutions included in the Code. These changes are enacted to bring provisions into conformity with the desired policies of the Board of Supervisors, and it is the intent of the Board of Supervisors that all such changes be adopted as part of the Code as if the legislation so changed had been previously formally amended to read as such. All such changes and revisions shall be deemed to be in effect as of the effective date of the Code specified in § 1-15.
- C. Nomenclature. Throughout the Code, references to the following agencies or officials are updated as indicated:
  - (1) "Justice of the Peace," "District Justice," "District Magistrate" and "Magistrate" are changed to "Magisterial District Judge."
  - (2) "Department of Community Affairs" is changed to "Department of Community and Economic Development."



§ 1-15. Effective date.

All provisions of this ordinance and of the Code shall be in force and effect on and after October 2, 2012.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED INTO LAW THIS 1<sup>st</sup> DAY OF October, 2012.

Charles Grief  
TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR

Kenneth Meach  
TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR

ATTEST: Connie Ely  
TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I hereby certify the foregoing to be an exact copy of an ordinance adopted by Bridgewater Township at a regular meeting held on 10/1/2012.

Connie Ely  
Secretary