

Township of Jackson  
Cambria County, Pennsylvania  
Ordinance # \_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE OF JACKSON TOWNSHIP COMPREHENSIVELY AMENDING ORDINANCE NO 47 DIRECTING AND REQUIRING THE CONNECTION OF ALL STRUCTURES OCCUPIED BY PERSONS WITH THE PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM OF THE TOWNSHIP ON PREMISES ACCESSIBLE THERETO.

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Jackson, by authority of the same under and pursuant to section 2603 of the Second Class Township Code and the general authority of the township to adopt regulations necessary for the protection of health and safety within the township, as follows:

SECTION I. Mandatory Connection

Every owner of an occupied structure, (capable of utilizing water under pressure), for residential, commercial or industrial purposes, but not buildings utilized solely for agricultural, shall, where the structure is located within 200 feet of a public water line of the Jackson Township Water Authority abutting or adjoining the property, within 60 days of notice be required to connect at his own cost, the house, building or other structure to the public water system, in accordance with the regulations of the Jackson Township Water Authority. Connections once made, following the effective date of this ordinance, must be maintained so long as the structure is capable of utilizing water under pressure.

SECTION II. Exemption for Pre-existing Residential Structures

No person, firm or corporation which is now within the Jackson Township Water Authority's water service system or within the service area for its proposed extension, and upon which an existing residential structure, built or acquired prior to January 2006, is located, shall be required to connect such structure to the public water system under the terms and provisions of this Ordinance, until such time as ownership of the property upon which the structure is located is transferred.

SECTION III. Connection To Be Made

In case any required owner of a structure covered by the mandatory connection requirement set forth above, shall neglect or refuse to connect with said water service system as so provided for a period of ninety (90) days after notice to do so has been served upon him, the Township Supervisors or their agent, the Authority, may enter upon such property and construct such connection, billing the cost thereof to the owner.

SECTION IV. Rules of the Authority

Connections shall be made according to the rules of the Authority and only with payment of the prescribed tap fee. Connections shall be subject to inspection by the Authority and meters and other water supply devices shall be subject to inspection by Authority

personnel during normal business hours or at other times in the event of water supply emergencies.

#### SECTION V. Other Water Sources

Nothing contained herein shall prevent any property owner from maintaining a second supply of water upon their property so long as each of the following conditions is met;

- 1) The property owner has installed a tap, service line, meter as otherwise required by this ordinance or the rules of the Jackson Township Water Authority.
- 2) On a reasonable periodic basis established by the Authority, the property owner notifies the Authority of the existence of the second water supply on the property and the property owner permits the Authority personnel to inspect, to assure themselves that no cross connections are occurring.
- 3) That the property owner promptly pay a minimum bill for public water service, failure to pay a bill for a period of more than 60 days shall be grounds for an order terminating the right to a second water supply.

#### SECTION VI. Enforcement and Penalty

Any person who shall violate or fail to conform to the provisions of this Ordinance shall, upon prosecution by the township and conviction thereof, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00) and costs of prosecution and, in default of payment of such fine and costs, to imprisonment for not more than thirty (30) days.

#### SECTION VII. Repealer

All Ordinances or Resolutions or parts of Ordinances or Resolutions not in accord with this Ordinance are hereby repealed as far as they affect this Ordinance.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED into law by the Board of Supervisors of Jackson Township, in lawful session on the \_\_\_ day of September, 2006. Effective in 5 days.

Township of Jackson

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary

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Chairman, Board of Supervisors