

**WEST PIKELAND TOWNSHIP
CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

ORDINANCE NO. 2007-02_____

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A REFERENDUM PURSUANT TO ACT 153 OF 1996 ON THE QUESTION OF THE IMPOSITION OF AN ADDITIONAL EARNED INCOME TAX AT A SPECIFIC RATE TO BE IMPOSED TO RAISE REVENUE TO PURCHASE OPEN SPACE PROPERTY INTERESTS THEREIN FOR PROTECTION, PRESERVATION AND CONSERVATION OF OPEN SPACE, OPEN SPACE USES, FARMLAND, AND HISTORIC SITES IN WEST PIKELAND TOWNSHIP, CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED THIS 16th DAY OF July, 2007

by the Board of Supervisors of West Pikeland Township as follows:

1. As provided by Act 153 of 1996, 32 P.S. §5001 *et seq.*, (the “Act”), a referendum shall be conducted during the November 2007 election for the registered voters of West Pikeland Township (“Township”) to vote whether they are in favor of the imposition of an additional tax on earned income at the rate of one quarter of one percent (.0025) for the Township to purchase open space property interests.
2. The referendum shall be governed by the provisions of the Act of June 3, 1937 (P.L. 1333, NO. 230) known as the Pennsylvania Election Code (25 P.S. §26090 *et seq.*).
3. The question to be placed on the ballot shall be framed in the following form: *Do you favor the imposition of a tax on the earned income of Township Residents at the rate of one quarter of one percent (.0025) by the Township of West Pikeland to be used to purchase land or interests in land, including easements and transferable development rights, for protection, preservation and conservation of open space, open space uses, farmland and historic sites ?*
4. Revenue from levy shall be used to retire the indebtedness incurred in purchasing interests in real property or in making additional acquisitions of real property for the purpose of securing an open space benefit or benefits under, and in accordance with all planning requirements of, the provisions of the Act and/or the Act of June 30, 1981 (P.L. 128, No. 43), known as the “Agricultural Area Security Law.”.
5. If any 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 of this Ordinance.
6. All ordinances or parts of ordinances conflicting or inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

7. This Ordinance will become effective five (5) days from the date hereof.

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Board of Supervisors
West Pikeland Township

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