



West Pikeland Township

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-03

AN ORDINANCE OF WEST PIKELAND TOWNSHIP, CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, PROHIBITING VEHICLES EXCEEDING TEN (10) TONS GROSS WEIGHT FROM OPERATING ON THE ELBOW LANE CULVERT AND PROVIDING FOR ENFORCEMENT.

WHEREAS, the Second Class Township Code authorizes the West Pikeland Township Board of Supervisors to take action necessary to secure the health and safety of the traveling public and persons or property within the Township; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 75 Pa.C.S.A. § 4902(a), West Pikeland Township is authorized to impose restrictions on the weight or size of vehicles operated upon a highway or bridge within its jurisdiction following an engineering review; and

WHEREAS, Elbow Lane is a Township Road maintained and operated by West Pikeland Township; and

WHEREAS, an engineering review of the culvert located on Elbow Lane, near its intersection with Yellow Springs Road (the "Elbow Lane Culvert"), has determined that safety restrictions, including a weight limit, are necessary to protect the structural integrity of the culvert and ensure public safety; and

WHEREAS, the West Pikeland Township Board of Supervisors seeks to prohibit the operation of vehicles, or combinations of vehicles, exceeding ten (10) tons gross vehicle weight on the Elbow Lane Culvert; and

WHEREAS, the West Pikeland Township Board of Supervisors further seeks to post the ten (10) ton gross weight limitation on or around the Elbow Lane Culvert to alert the traveling public.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED, by the Board of Supervisors of West Pikeland Township, Chester County, Pennsylvania, as follows:

Section 1: Weight Limitation

The maximum gross vehicle weight permitted on the Elbow Lane Culvert is hereby established as ten (10) tons.

Section 2: Signage and Notification

The Township is authorized to erect and maintain, or cause to be erected and maintained, signs notifying the public of the ten (10) ton weight limitation. Such signs shall include advance

informational signs and be installed within twenty-five (25) feet of each end of the Elbow Lane Culvert.

Section 3: Enforcement

Any person operating a vehicle or combination of vehicles in violation of this Ordinance shall, upon conviction, be subject to fines in accordance with 75 Pa.C.S.A. § 4902(g), as follows:

1. A fine of seventy-five dollars (\$75) for general violations.
2. For operating a vehicle with a gross weight exceeding the posted limit, a fine of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) plus an additional one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) for each five hundred (500) pounds, or part thereof, over three thousand (3,000) pounds above the maximum allowable weight.

Section 4: Severability

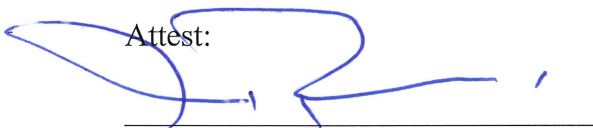
If any provision, sentence, clause, section, or part of this Ordinance is found to be unconstitutional, illegal, or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality, illegality, or invalidity shall not affect or impair any remaining provisions, sentences, clauses, sections, or parts of this Ordinance.

Section 5: Effective Date

This Ordinance shall take effect within five (5) days of enactment.

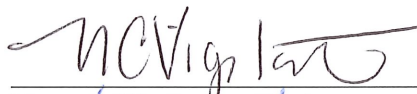
ENACTED AND ORDAINED, this 2nd day of December 2024.

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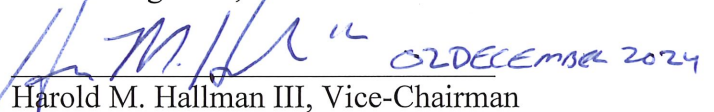


Joseph L Romano III
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