

TOWNSHIP OF OHIO

ORDINANCE NO. 111

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF OHIO, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY AND COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, PROHIBITING THE STORAGE OR KEEPING OF ABANDONED OR JUNKED VEHICLES ON PUBLIC OR PRIVATE PROPERTY WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF OHIO, COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF.

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Ohio, County of Allegheny that in many instances, residents of the Township and other persons are maintaining, storing, or keeping abandoned or junked vehicles both on public property and on private property in the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Ohio, County of Allegheny, is of the opinion that such activity is detrimental to the health, safety, general welfare, cleanliness, beauty, convenience and comfort of the Township of Ohio, County of Allegheny and the inhabitants thereof, because the presence of abandoned or junked vehicles on the public streets adds to traffic congestion and is dangerous to vehicular traffic, and, further, that the presence of such vehicles on private property leads to conditions which attract insects and rodents creating habitat wherein they increase and multiply, and also attract small children under circumstances and conditions where their health, safety and welfare are adversely affected.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained and enacted by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Ohio, County of Allegheny and it is hereby ordained and enacted by and with the authority of the same:

SECTION I: That on and after the effective date of this Ordinance, it shall be unlawful for any persons, as herein defined, to store, maintain, or keep any abandoned or junked vehicle on private or public property within the limits of the Township of Ohio, County of Allegheny.

SECTION II: For the purpose of this Ordinance, an abandoned or junked vehicle shall be any motor vehicle that is not in operable condition and has a flat tire or tires, or weeds growing up and around said vehicle or the doors missing on said vehicle, or windows are broken, or the hood or deck lid missing, or motor vehicle is damaged beyond repair, or the motor vehicle is rusted to the extent that it will not pass state inspection and the same is situate upon private property. For the further purpose of this Ordinance a junked or abandoned vehicle shall be any vehicle not having a current registration plate and a valid state inspection sticker if the same is upon public property.

SECTION III: For the purposes of this Ordinance the word "person" shall mean a natural person, partnership, association, firm or corporation whenever used in the clause imposing a fine or imprisonment, the term "person" as applied to a partnership, firm or association shall mean any member thereof and as applied to a corporation shall mean the chief executive officer or secretary thereof.

SECTION IV: Any person violating subsections I and II hereof is guilty of a summary offense and shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$300.00 and may be sentenced to imprisonment for a term which shall be fixed by the Court at not more than 90 days.

SECTION V: Each and every violation of the within Ordinance shall be a separate violation and the penalty set forth in Section VI hereof shall be applicable to each separate violation.

SECTION VI: The within Ordinance shall be administered by the Police Department of the Township of Ohio.

SECTION VII: Any Ordinance or part of Ordinance conflicting with the provisions of this Ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED into law this 12 day of May, 1980.

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ATTEST:

Joseph J. Start
Secretary

By Walter J. Stewart
Chairman, Board of Supervisors