

TOWNSHIP OF OHIO
ORDINANCE NO. 87

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE DISCHARGE OF WASTE MATERIALS INTO SEWERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF OHIO; PROHIBITING THE DISCHARGE THEREINTO OF WASTES WHICH MAY DAMAGE THE SEWERS OR OTHER FACILITIES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF OHIO OR OF THE ALLEGHENY COUNTY SANITARY AUTHORITY, WHICH MAY INTERFERE WITH SEWAGE TREATMENT PROCESS, OR WHICH MAY ENDANGER LIFE OR SAFETY; AND PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION

WHEREAS, in order to comply with the Pennsylvania Clean Streams Law and the orders of the Sanitary Water Board issued thereunder, the Township of Ohio (hereinafter called the "Township"), pursuant to Ordinance No. 82, approved March 8, 1969, entered into a long-term sewage service agreement with the City of Pittsburgh (hereinafter called the "City") and the Allegheny County Sanitary Authority (hereinafter called the "Sanitary Authority") to construct and operate a sewage collection, treatment and disposal system (hereinafter called the "Sewage Disposal System") to serve the City and 69 adjacent municipalities, including the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Sanitary Authority has completed construction of such Sewage Disposal System and has already connected many municipal outfall sewers, including some that are or will be used by the Township, to structures and other facilities which are a part of the Sewage Disposal System; and

WHEREAS, certain harmful wastes if discharged into Township sewers will damage or clog not only the Township's sewers, but also the structures and other facilities of the Sewage Disposal System, or may interfere with the proper operation thereof; and

WHEREAS, some of such harmful wastes are dangerous to the health and life of operating personnel and the public, and some create offensive nuisance conditions; and

WHEREAS, the said Sewage Service Agreement requires the Township to exercise its rights and powers to carry into effect the purposes and intent of such agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in order to safeguard health and life and assure the proper collection, treatment and disposal of sewage, as well as to protect the sewers and other facilities of the Township and the Sanitary Authority, THE BOARD OF TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF OHIO HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, association or corporation to discharge or to permit the discharge or infiltration into any Township sewer which is connected directly or indirectly with the Sanitary Authority's Sewage Disposal System or into a sewer connected to such a Township sewer or into the Sanitary Authority's Sewage Disposal System of any of the following substances:

- a. Mineral acids, waste acid pickling or plating liquors from the pickling or plating of iron, steel, brass, copper or chromium, or any other dissolved or solid substances which will endanger health or safety, interfere with the flow in sewers, attack or corrode sewers or sewage structures or equipment, or otherwise interfere with the operation of the sewers or other facilities of the Township or the Sanitary Authority.
- b. Cyanides or cyanogen compounds capable of liberating hydrocyanic gas on acidification.
- c. Fats, entrails and the like from meat processing plants, rendering plants and similar industries and establishments.
- d. Gas tar, phenols, residues from petroleum storage, refining or processing, fuel or lubricating oil, gasoline, naphtha, benzene or explosive or inflammable liquids, solids or gases.
- e. Ashes, cinders, sand, mud, lime or acetylene sludges, straw, shavings, metal, glass, rags, feathers, tar, plastics, wood, sawdust, paunch manure, hair, hides, dead animals, spent mash and grain, pulp from food processing, water or wastes containing grease in excess of 100 parts per million, or any other solids or viscous substances capable of causing obstruction to the flow in sewers or other interference with the proper operation of the Township's or the Sanitary Authority's facilities.

f. Sludges or other materials from septic tanks or similar facilities or from sewage or industrial waste treatment plants or from water treatment plants.

g. Garbage, whether ground or not, except properly shredded garbage in a private dwelling, apartment building, hotel, commercial restaurant or retail food store, resulting from the proper use of a garbage grinder or disposer of a type approved by the Township, the Allegheny County Health Department and the Sanitary Authority and maintained in good operating condition; provided, however, that no retail food store shall operate more than one grinder or disposer which shall be not greater than three horsepower in size and, when so required by the Allegheny County Health Department, shall be equipped with an approved water meter and limited in use to the consumption of an average of not more than 1,500 gallons of water per day.

h. Water or wastes having a pH lower than 5.5 or higher than 9.0, or having any other corrosive property capable of causing damage or hazard to structures, equipment or personnel of the Township or the Sanitary Authority.

SECTION 2. Any person, firm, association or corporation discharging or permitting the discharge or infiltration of any of the foregoing wastes or materials into a Township sewer which is connected directly or indirectly with the Sanitary Authority's Sewage Disposal System or into a sewer connected to such a Township sewer

or into the Sanitary Authority's Sewage Disposal System shall immediately cease to discharge or permit the discharge of such materials or wastes thereinto.

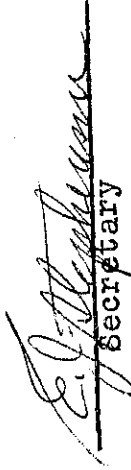
SECTION 3. Any person, firm, association or corporation violating any provision of this ordinance shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine not to exceed the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for each offense, recoverable with costs, and in default of payment of the fine and costs, shall be subject to imprisonment in the County jail or workhouse for a period not exceeding thirty (30) days. Each day that a violation is continued shall constitute a separate offense. In the case of firms or associations, the penalty may be imposed upon the partners or members thereof, and in the case of corporations upon the officers thereof.

SECTION 4. The provisions of this ordinance are severable, and the invalidity of any section, clause, sentence or provision of this ordinance shall not affect or impair the validity of any other part of the ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid part or parts.

SECTION 5. Any ordinance or part of ordinance, conflicting with the provisions of this ordinance, be and the same is hereby repealed, so far as the same affects this ordinance.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED to Law by the Board of Supervisors of Ohio Township this 15 day of April, 1970.

ATTEST:


Secretary

TOWNSHIP OF OHIO

By 
Chairman, Board of Supervisors