

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Board of Supervisors of Middle Paxton Township hereby gives public notice that it will consider enactment of Ordinance No. 2022- 01 on April 4, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Township Municipal Building, 10 Elizabeth Avenue, Dauphin, County, Pennsylvania. Ordinance No. 2022 would establish an On-Lot Sewage Management Program for Middle Paxton Township, which would include the following Sections:

Section 1. Short Title: Introduction: Purpose; Section 2. Definitions; Section 3. Applicability – The provisions of Ordinance 2022-01 would be applicable to every owner of a lot served by an on-lot sewage disposal system within Middle Paxton Township and all persons or businesses serving on-lot sewage disposal systems within the Township. **Section 4. Permit Requirements** – would require that a permit be obtained from the Sewage Enforcement Officer prior to installing, constructing or altering an individual sewage system or community sewage system. **Section 5. Ground Markers** – would require that a secured riser or access hatch be provided to enable easy access to waste disposal tank for periodic inspections and maintenance.

Section 6. Replacement Areas – would require a replacement area for an individual on-lot sewage system for all lots or lots to be created which are not serviced or to be serviced by a community sewage system, or for which a valid permit for installation of an individual on-lot has not been issued. **Section 7. Inspections** – would require that an inspection be conducted whenever an on-lot sewage disposal system is pumped in accordance with Ordinance 2022-01. **Section 8. Operation** – would require that only normal domestic wastes shall be discharged into any on-lot sewage disposal system, and that certain wastes not be discharged into the system.

Section 9. Maintenance – would require that the Township notify all owners of property served by an on-lot sewage disposal system that their system must be pumped and inspected within twelve (12) months from the date notification letter is postmarked. The Township shall follow a schedule whereby approximately one-fourth (1/4) of all owners of properties within the Township served by on-lot sewage disposal systems are notified annually of the pumping and inspection requirement, such that all owners are notified at least once every four (4) years. The following Sewage Management Districts are designated for any person owning a building served by an on-lot sewage disposal system located within the Sewage Zone Map: 1. Middle Paxton Township ZONE 1 West of S.R. 225 to the Western Banks of the Susquehanna River, 2. Middle Paxton Township ZONE 2 Clark's Valley, 3. Middle Paxton Township ZONE 3 Stony Creek Valley, and 4. Middle Paxton Township ZONE 4 Fishing Creek Valley including Front Street and Roberts Valley Road.

Section 10. System Rehabilitation – would require that no person shall operate or maintain on-lot sewage disposal system in such a manner that it malfunctions. The Sewage Enforcement Officer shall have the authority to require the repair of any malfunction. **Section 11. Liens** – would authorize the Township to perform or contract to have performed the work required by the SEO on an on-lot sewage disposal system due to the failure of the owner to maintain, repair or replace an on-lot sewage disposal system, and charge the owner for the work performed and, if necessary, place a lien on the property.

Section 12. Disposal of Septage – would require that all septage originating in the Township be disposed of in accordance with the Solid Waste Management Act.

Section 13. Discontinuance of Individual On-lot Sewage Disposal System – would require, upon the discontinuance of any tank for sewage disposal purposes, that the property owner have the tank pumped and flushed by a pumper/hauler and either remove the tank from the premises or fill it with soil or stone. **Section 14. Administration** – would require the Township to employ or contract with qualified individuals to carry out the provisions of Ordinance 2022-01.

Section 15. Appeals – would require that appeals from decisions of the Township or any of its authorized agents be made to the Board of Supervisors in writing within thirty (30) days from the date of written notification of the decision in question. **Section**

16. Penalties – would require that any person failing to comply with any provision of Ordinance 2022- 01 to be subject to a fine and costs of not more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), with each day of violation constituting a separate offense.

In addition, Ordinance No. 2022-01 also contains a severability clause, a repealer clause and an effective date.

A copy of Ordinance No. 2022-01 may be examined without charge or a copy of the ordinance may be obtained for the cost to prepare the copy at the Township Municipal Building during regular business hours.

If you are a person with a disability desiring to attend the public hearing and require an auxiliary aid, service or other accommodation to participate in the hearing, please contact the Township Manager at (717) 921-8128 to discuss how Middle Paxton Township may provide a reasonable accommodation.

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