

BETHEL TOWNSHIP

LEBANON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

ORDINANCE NO. 121224

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BETHEL, LEBANON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 15, MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BETHEL CODE OF ORDINANCES, BY ADDING PART 7, NO PARKING FOR SNOW REMOVAL DURING SNOW SEASON, ON VILLAGE DRIVE, VISTA DRIVE, SHIRK DRIVE, CREEK DRIVE, ELIZABETH RUN DRIVE, HORIZON DRIVE AND WEAVERLAND DRIVE, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE PLACEMENT OF NO PARKING SIGNAGE DURING SNOW REMOVAL.

BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Bethel, Lebanon County, Pennsylvania, as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 15, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, of the Township of Bethel Code of Ordinances is amended by adding Part 7, No Parking For Snow Removal During Snow Season on Village Drive, Vista Drive, Shirk Drive, Creek Drive, Elizabeth Run Drive, Horizon Drive and Weaverland Drive and to provide for no parking signage, which shall read in its entirety as follows:

§15-701. Purpose

It is necessary for the general health, welfare and safety of the public and the citizens of the Township that parking be regulated on certain streets within the Township for snow removal during snow season and for the placement of no parking signage during the snow removal.

§15-702. Definitions

EMERGENCY PURPOSES- The use of a vehicle to transport medical personnel, fire, police, utilities and other persons otherwise stranded by a snow storm.

SNOW- Any precipitation depositing any accumulation on the streets of the Township, including snow, sleet, hail, ice or freezing rain.

TOWNSHIP- Township of Bethel, Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

VEHICLE- Every device in, upon or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon a highway, except devices used exclusively upon rails or tracks. The term does not include a self-propelled wheelchair or an electrical mobility device operated by and designed for the exclusive use of a person with a mobility-related disability.

§15-703 Snow Season

The snow season, for the purpose of this Ordinance, shall be defined as the period beginning October 15 up to and including the period ending April 15 of the following year.

§15-704 Restricted Parking During Snow Season

During the snow season, each time there are snow conditions, starting from the time the snow begins to fall until 24 hours after the snowfall has stopped, it shall be unlawful for any person to park any type of automobile, truck, recreational vehicle or any other form of vehicle, except a vehicle engaged in emergency purposes as defined above, on the following streets, from year to year, which may be modified from time to time by Resolution of the Board of Supervisors:

A. Specific Streets

1. Village Drive: No parking on either side of the street during snow conditions.
2. Vista Drive: No parking on either side of the street during snow conditions.
3. Shirk Drive: No parking on either side of the street during snow conditions.
4. Creek Drive: No parking on either side of the street during snow conditions.
5. Elizabeth Run Drive: No parking on either side of the street during snow conditions.

6. Horizon Drive: No parking on either side of the street during snow conditions.
7. Weaverland Drive: No parking on either side of the street during snow conditions.

B. After the 24-hour period immediately following the cessation of snowfall, parking shall be allowed on both sides of the street, except where otherwise prohibited or restricted for any other reason under the Township Code of Ordinances. If the snowfall is so extreme that it cannot be cleared within 24 hours after the snowfall has stopped, the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, or a designee, may order with due public announcement by posting on the Township website or by other means, an extension of the parking bans set forth in this Ordinance.

§15-705 Signage

Signage posted on the streets set forth in §15-704 of this Ordinance will read “No Parking During Snow Season For Snow Removal”.

§15-706 Towing

Any member of the Township engaged in road work is hereby authorized to remove any vehicle abandoned or parked upon the roads in violation of the terms and provisions of this Ordinance, and to take any said vehicle to the nearest garage or other place of safety. The registered owner of any said vehicle shall be notified of the fact of the removal and of the place to which said vehicle has been removed, where he or she may obtain the same upon payment of any and all towing and storage charges. Neither Township nor any of its employees shall be held responsible for any damage to any vehicle occurring as a result of towing and/or storage of a vehicle parked in violation of this Part.

§15-707 Penalties

In addition to any towing and storage costs, the owner of the vehicle who violates any provision of this Ordinance shall pay a fine for each offense of seventy-five (\$75.00) dollars within ten (10) calendar days of the date of towing directly to the Township.

§15-708 Severability

The provisions of this Ordinance shall be severable. If any sentence, clause, or section 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, or sections of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared to be the intent of the Board of Supervisors of Township that this Ordinance would have been adopted had such unconstitutional, illegal, or invalid sentence, clause, or section not been included herein.

Section 2. Effective Date

This Ordinance shall become effective five (5) days after enactment.

DULY ENACTED AND ORDAINED this _____ day of _____, 2024, by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Bethel, Lebanon County, Pennsylvania, in lawful session duly assembled.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
BETHEL TOWNSHIP
LEBANON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

Chairperson

Supervisor

Supervisor

ATTEST:

Secretary