

EXETER TOWNSHIP, BERKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

ORDINANCE NO. 2023 -860

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EXETER, BERKS COUNTY,
PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING PART I, CHAPTER 65, ARTICLE II, SECTION 65-2 –
RULES AND REGULATIONS**

WHEREAS, Section 1601 of the Second Class Township Code, 53 P.S. § 66601, authorizes the Exeter Township Board of Supervisors (“Board”) to adopt, amend, repeal or revise existing ordinances; and

WHEREAS, Section 710 of the Sunshine Act, 65 Pa.C.S. § 710, permits the Board to adopt “rules and regulations necessary for the conduct of its meetings and the maintenance of order;” and

WHEREAS, Part I, Chapter 65, Article II, Section 65-2 of the Code of the Township of Exeter (“Code”) sets forth rules and regulations concerning the conduct of public meetings of the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board deserves to amend and set forth rules and regulations concerning the conduct and the maintenance of order during public meetings of the Board.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Exeter, Berks County, Pennsylvania, as follows:

SECTION 1. Part I, Chapter 65, Article II, Section 65-2(D)(4)(d) of the Code is hereby amended to read:

§ 65-2 Rules and regulations.

....

- (4) With respect to Supervisors speaking during meetings, Sections 42 (titled “Debate”) and Section 43 (titled “Decorum in Debate”) of Robert’s Rules of Order specifically apply during discussions, debates and Supervisor Reports except as provided below, including but not limited to the following:

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- d. No Supervisor shall speak more than twice on the same day on the same item, nor longer than five (5) minutes at one time, without affirmative vote by a majority of the Board of Supervisors.

SECTION 2. REPEAL OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Any ordinance, parts of ordinances, resolutions or parts of resolutions conflicting with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed in so far as they are inconsistent with this Ordinance's provisions.

SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY

If any article, section, subsection, provision, regulation, limitation, restriction, sentence, clause, phrase or word in this Ordinance, is, for any reason declared to be illegal, unconstitutional or invalid, by any Court of competent jurisdiction, this decision shall not affect or impair the validity of the Ordinance as a whole, or any other article, section, subsection, provision, regulation, limitation, restriction, sentence, clause, phrase, word or remaining portion of the within Ordinance. The Board of Supervisors of the Township of Exeter, Pennsylvania hereby declares that it would have adopted the within Ordinance and each article, section, subsection, provision, regulation, limitation, restriction, sentence, clause, phrase and word thereof, irrespective of the limitations, restrictions, sentences, clauses, phrases, or word that may be declared illegal, unconstitutional or invalid.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE

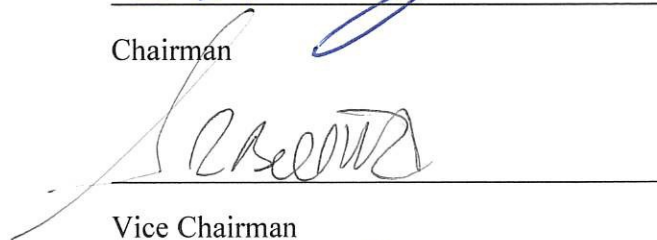
This Ordinance shall become effective at the earliest date permitted by law.

SECTION 5. CODE OF ORDINANCES

The Code of Ordinances of Exeter Township shall be and remain unchanged and in full force and effect except as amended, supplemented, and modified by this Ordinance. This Ordinance shall become a part of the Code of Ordinances of Exeter Township upon enactment.

DULY ORDAINED and ENACTED as an Ordinance this 25th day of September, 2023.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF
EXETER TOWNSHIP, BERKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA


Chairman
Vice Chairman
Member

Member

Member

ATTEST:




Larry Piersol
Interim Township Manager

CERTIFICATE OF ENACTMENT

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of Ordinance No. 2023-860 adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Exeter Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania at a regular meeting held on September 25, 2023, pursuant to notice as required by law.

Dated: 10/20/23



Exeter Township Secretary

