

**MOUNT JOY TOWNSHIP  
ADAMS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2024-05**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MOUNT JOY  
TOWNSHIP, ADAMS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING  
CHAPTER 68, "SEPTIC SYSTEMS," OF THE CODE OF MOUNT JOY  
TOWNSHIP REGARDING MAINTENANCE OF ON-LOT SEWAGE  
DISPOSAL SYSTEMS**

**WHEREAS**, Mount Joy Township (the "Township") is governed by Pennsylvania's Second Class Township Code, 53 P.S. § 65101, *et seq.*; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Supervisors of Mount Joy Township desires to amend Article II, "Sewage Management Districts" of Chapter 68, "Septic Systems" of the Mount Joy Township Code of Ordinances; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Supervisors of Mount Joy Township deems it to be in the best interest and general welfare of the citizens and residents of the Township to update and amend this certain provision of Chapter 68 of the Mount Joy Township Code of Ordinances.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED** by the Board of Supervisors of Mount Joy Township, Adams County, Pennsylvania, as follows:

**SECTION 1.** Recitals. The above recitals are incorporated herein.

**SECTION 2.** Amendments to the Mount Joy Township Code. Article II, "Sewage Management Districts" of Chapter 68, "Septic Systems" of the Code of Mount Joy Township is hereby amended by adding and ~~deleting~~ the following words:

§ 68-9 Maintenance.

A. Within an identified sewage management district (OLDS District), the owner of a building served by an on-lot sewage disposal system which contains a septic tank shall have the tank pumped to remove septage and other solids by a qualified pumper/hauler once every ~~three~~ four years or whenever an inspection program reveals that the tank is filled with solids or with scum in excess of 1/3 of the liquid depth of the tank.

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E. Any owner of a building served by a cesspool, dry well or pit privy shall have that system pumped once every ~~three~~ four years. If such system serves a building which also uses unmonitored ground or surface water, it is recommended that the water supply be tested by a state certified laboratory on a regular basis. A building utilizing such a system that is not in compliance with the regulations promulgated

by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection shall replace or rehabilitate the nonconforming system with an acceptable system.

**SECTION 3. Repealer.** All prior ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent they are inconsistent with this Ordinance.

**SECTION 4. Savings Clause.** Except as expressly amended, nothing herein shall be deemed to affect or alter any other provision of the Mount Joy Township Code. In all other respects, the Township Ordinances shall remain as previously enacted and ordained.

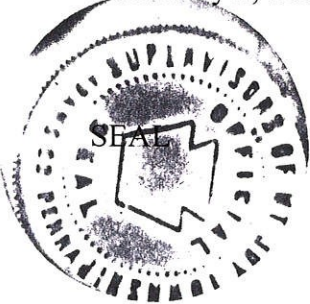
**SECTION 5. Severability.** If any Section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be illegal or invalid by any court or administrative agency of competent jurisdiction, such illegal or invalid portion or provision shall be severable and shall not affect or impair any remaining portion of this Ordinance and Chapter, which shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 6. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall be effective immediately.


**DULY ENACTED AND ORDAINED** this 18<sup>th</sup> day of July 2024 by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Mount Joy, Adams County, Pennsylvania, in lawful session duly assembled.

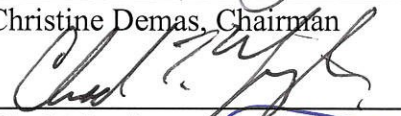
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Sheri Moyer, Secretary



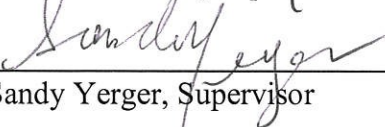
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