

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-25

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 270 ENTITLED "VACANT PROPERTY MAINTENANCE" TO CLARIFY CERTAIN PROVISIONS THEREOF AND TO ALLOW THE MUNICIPALITY TO USE TWENTY PERCENT OF THE FUNDS RECEIVED PURSUANT TO THIS CHAPTER FOR CODE ENFORCEMENT PURPOSES

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The purpose of this Ordinance is to amend Ordinance #2022-18 by clarifying certain provision and allow the municipality to use twenty percent of funds received pursuant to this Chapter for Code Enforcement purposes.

WHEREAS, the Township of Mansfield adopted Ordinance No. 2022-18 on October 12, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Township has been made aware that Paragraph (d) of Section 270-10 contains language inconsistent with the remainder of the Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the authorizing statute, N.J.S.A. 40:48-2.12s3, permits the municipality to utilize no less than twenty percent (20%) of the funds collected pursuant to the Ordinance for municipal code enforcement purposes; and

WHEREAS, it is the Township's intent to maximize clarity in its ordinances to ensure uniform enforcement thereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield, County of warren, State of New Jersey that Section 270-10 is amended to read as follows:

SECTION I:

Deletions to this Chapter shall be delineated by strikethrough text, ~~thusly~~. Additions to this Chapter shall be delineated by underlined text, thusly.

§ 270-10. Additional Authority.

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d. If the mortgagee does not reimburse the Township for the cost of temporarily securing the property, or of any abatement directed by the ~~code enforcement board of special magistrate~~ Code Enforcement Officer, within thirty (30) days of the Township sending the mortgagee the invoice, then the Township may lien the property with such cost, along with an administrative fee of five hundred dollars (\$500. 00) to recover the administrative personnel services.

e. No less than twenty percent (20%) of any money collected pursuant to this Ordinance shall be utilized by the municipality for municipal code enforcement purposes.

SECTION II.

Repealer. Any article, section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or other provision of the Code of the Township of Mansfield inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION III.

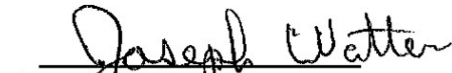
Severability. The various parts, sections, and clauses of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable. If any part, sentence, paragraph, section, or clause is adjudged to be unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction the remainder of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION IV.

Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication as provided by law.

ATTEST:


Wendy Barras
Township Municipal Clerk


Joseph Watters
Mayor

INTRODUCED/PASSED ON FIRST READING:

Roll Call Vote

Introduced	Seconded	Committee Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
		Mr. Farino	✓			
✓		Mr. Hayes	✓			
		Mr. McGuinness	✓			
	✓	Mrs. Mora Dillon	✓			
		Mayor Watters	✓			

PUBLISHED:
ADOPTED:

Roll Call Vote

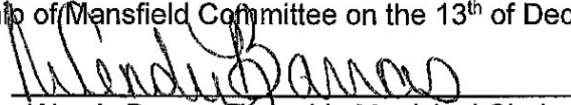
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		Mayor Watters	✓			

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced to pass on the first reading meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield held on November 8 , 2023 and ordered published in accordance with the law. Said Ordinance will be considered for final reading and adoption at a regular meeting of the Township Committee to be held on December 13, 2023, at 7:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the Township Committee may hear this Ordinance at the Municipal Building, Mansfield Township, 100 Port Murray Road, Port Murray, New Jersey at which time all persons interested may appear for or against the passage of said Ordinance.

CERTIFICATION

I, Wendy Barras, Township Municipal Clerk of the Township of Mansfield, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was duly adopted by the Township of Mansfield Committee on the 13th of December, 2023


Wendy Barras, Township Municipal Clerk