

**READING TOWNSHIP
ADAMS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

ORDINANCE 2022 - 5

**AN ORDINANCE OF READING TOWNSHIP AMENDING ORDINANCE 1987-2,
CODIFIED AS CHAPTER 2 ANIMALS, TO PROVIDE SPECIFIC REGULATION
OF ANIMALS RUNNING AT LARGE**

WHEREAS, Reading Township has adopted Ordinance 1987-2, codified as Chapter 2 Animals, for the regulation of animals under the police powers of the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors believes that the public health, safety, and welfare of all the residents of the Township will be better served and protected by the adoption of this Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Board of Supervisors of Reading Township:

Section 1. Purpose

The purpose of this Ordinance is to amend Ordinance 1987-2, codified in 2014 by Ordinance 2014-01, as Chapter 2 Animals, Part 2 Keeping of Animals, to provide specific regulation of animals running at large.

Section 2. Enabling Authority

This Ordinance is enacted pursuant to the enabling authority of Sections 1506, 1529 and 1530 of the Second Class Township Code.

Section 3. Amendments

Language to be removed is stricken; language to be added is indicated by italics; language to be retained unchanged is indicated by ellipses. Upon approval of this Ordinance, the existing code provisions shall be renumbered as necessary.

Amend Chapter 2 Animals, Part 2 Keeping of Animals to add the following:

Section 2 – 2__ Prevention of Animal Running at Large

The keeper of every animal shall confine the same on the owner's property in such manner and by such enclosure sufficient to prevent such animal from running at large.

Section 4. Repealer.

All other ordinances of Reading Township that conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed. All other ordinances of the Township not specifically amended or repealed hereby shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 5. Severability.

In the event that a court of competent jurisdiction declares any section, provision, clause or term of this Ordinance invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining portions of the Ordinance.

Section 6. Effective Date

This Ordinance shall become effective five days from the date of enactment.

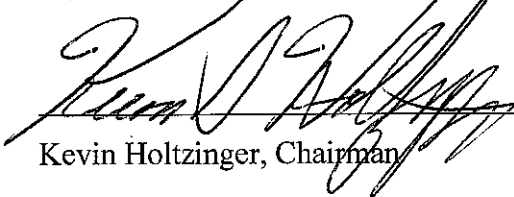
ENACTED this 4th day of October, 2022.

ATTEST:



Kimberly Beard, Secretary

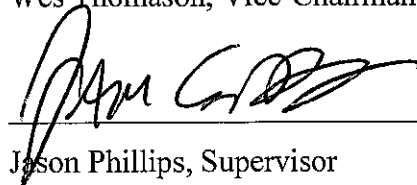
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