

ORDINANCE NO. 1 2017
**OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF BLAIR, PENNSYLVANIA**

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING REGULATIONS FOR THE PARKING OF MOTOR VEHICLES DURING DECLARATION OF WINTER WEATHER PARKING RESTRICTIONS AS DEFINED HEREIN ALONG BLAIR COUNTY ROAD 101, PROVIDING AUTHORITY TO REMOVE MOTOR VEHICLES PARKED IN VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE AND SETTING FORTH PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION OF THE SAME, REPEALING INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES, PROVIDING FOR PARTIAL INVALIDITY, AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Blair County Board of Commissioners as follows:

SECTION 1. Declaration of Winter Weather Parking Restrictions. In order to facilitate the movement of traffic and to combat the hazards of snow and ice on the segment of Blair County Road 101 between its intersections with the following two (2) streets: Polecat Hollow Road and Oakdale Road, the Commissioner appointed by resolution as the liaison for the Blair County Highway Department, or in such commissioner's absence or unavailability, the next highest commissioner office holder (President, Vice President, Secretary) who is available at the time of the winter event, in his or her discretion, may declare winter weather parking restrictions on the segment of County Road 101 referenced above. Information on the existence of winter weather parking restrictions shall be given by the County through texting, radio, television, County Website, or other available media, and information regarding the termination of the winter weather parking restrictions shall be given by the use of the same media.

SECTION 2. Winter Weather Parking Restrictions. After winter weather parking restrictions are declared, it shall be unlawful, at any time during the continuance of the weather parking restrictions, for any person to park their motor vehicle in violation of this Ordinance. During any winter weather parking restrictions, which is declared pursuant to the provisions of Section 1, all motor vehicles shall be parked on the east side of the street beginning at 8:00 p.m. in the evening, and the west side of the street beginning at 8:00 a.m. in the morning. The winter weather parking restrictions are for the purpose of traffic movement and snow plowing and shall remain in effect until any winter weather parking restrictions have been cancelled through public notice as provided for above.

SECTION 3. Towing of motor vehicles in violation of parking restrictions. Any motor vehicle not removed within two (2) hours after the owner thereof is notified may be towed to a compound and such vehicle shall not be released to the owner until the cost of towing and storage have been paid as well as reclamation costs as required by the Commonwealth to be paid by the tow company. Removal and impounding of motor vehicles under this Ordinance shall be done only by "approved storage garages" that shall be designated from time to time by the County and may be the same "approved storage garages" identified in conjunction with towing from the County's parking garage in Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania. The payment of towing and storing charges shall not relieve the owner or driver of any motor vehicle from liability from any fine or penalty for the violation of the provisions of this Ordinance. No motor vehicle shall be removed, if, at the time of the intended removal, the owner or the person for the time being in charge of the motor vehicle is present and expresses a willingness and intention to remove the motor vehicle immediately. This clause shall apply to any person who has been notified of a violation which occurs during the winter weather parking restrictions. The local township police and the Blair County Sheriff and his deputies are hereby authorized to have any vehicle parked in violation of this Ordinance towed as provided for above.

SECTION 4. Summary Offense: Fine. Violation of this Ordinance shall be a summary offense, and upon conviction, a fine not to exceed three hundred dollars (\$300.00) shall be imposed. The continuation of a violation for each successive days during the same winter weather parking restrictions declaration shall constitute a separate offense, and the person or persons allowing or permitting the continuation of a violation may be punished as provided above for each separate offense.

SECTION 5. Severability. The provisions of this Ordinance are severable and if any section, sentence, clause, part or provision hereof shall be held illegal, invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining sections, sentences, clauses, parts or provisions of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared to be the intent of the Board of Commissioners that this Ordinance would have been enacted if such illegal, invalid or unconstitutional section, sentence, clause, part of provision had not been included herein.

SECTION 6. Repealer; Effective Date. Ordinance Number 1-98 or any other Ordinance or part thereof conflicting with this Ordinance is hereby repealed insofar as the same is in conflict with this Ordinance. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately.

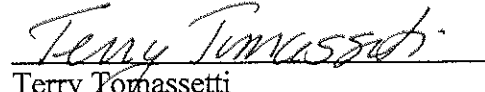
ORDAINED AND ENACTED as an Ordinance of the County Of Blair, Pennsylvania, this 26th day of March, 2019.


BLAIR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

ATTEST:


Helen P. Schmitt, Chief Clerk

Bruce Erb


Terry Tomassetti


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