

JACKSON TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE No. 04-2024

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF JACKSON, LEBANON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, ENACTING A STREET LIGHT TAX RATE FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF PUBLIC LIGHTING WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP BY AN EQUAL ASSESSMENT UPON EACH PROPERTY LINE WITHIN A FOUR HUNDRED (400) FOOT RADIUS OF ANY STREET LIGHT.

WHEREAS, the Second-Class Township Code authorizes the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Jackson, Lebanon County, Pennsylvania, to impose a street light tax pursuant to 53 P.S. §67003; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors believes it in the best interest of Jackson Township to impose a tax upon certain residents of the Township who are benefitted by the streetlights, for the costs associated with use and maintenance of the streetlights; and

AND NOW, comes the Jackson Township Board of Supervisors and hereby ordains and enacts into law the following Ordinance:

Section 1. Imposition of Tax.

Jackson Township adopts the provisions under §67003(a)(3) of the Second-Class Township Code and imposes a street light tax as authorized under that section. The tax imposed under this Ordinance shall be assessed annually by the Board of Supervisors in the annual budget. The Board of Supervisors shall impose an equal assessment upon each property line within a four hundred (400) foot

radius of any streetlight, whether or not the property is exempt from taxation by existing law, based upon the assessment for county tax purposes. By December 31st of each year the Board of Supervisors via a resolution adopting the budget shall set the amount to be imposed for the upcoming year.

Section 2. Administration.

The tax imposed under Section 1 of this Ordinance shall be administered, collected, and enforced by the Tax Collector pursuant to the conditions set forth under 53 P.S. §68301(a). The street light assessment shall be billed on the annual real estate tax bill for township purposes. Any unpaid taxes under this Ordinance shall be subject to enforcement provisions, including any penalties or interest, set forth under 53 P.S. §68301(a).

Section 3. Repeal.

(a) As of the effective date of this Ordinance, any inconsistent ordinances and/or resolutions are hereby repealed;

(b) If any sentence, clause, or section of this Ordinance is for any reason found to be unconstitutional, illegal, or invalid, such unconstitutionality, illegality, or invalidity shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, sentences, clauses or sections of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared to be the intent of the Board of Supervisors of Jackson Township that this Ordinance would have been

adopted had such unconstitutional, illegal, or invalid sentence, clause or section not been included herein.

Section 4. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall become effective five (5) days after its passage or adoption.

So ordained and enacted into law by the Jackson Township Board of Supervisors this _____ day of _____, 2024.

ATTEST:

JACKSON TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

By _____
Thomas Morrisey, Secretary

By _____
Tom Houtz, Chairman