

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-008

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE #99-15
TO REDUCE THE PLANNING COMMISSION FROM
SEVEN MEMBERS TO FIVE MEMBERS AND TO
REDUCE THE QUORUM REQUIREMENT FROM
FOUR MEMBERS TO THREE MEMBERS**

WHEREAS, Section 202 of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code, 53 P.S. §10202, grants a municipality the right to create a Planning Commission which shall have not less than three (3) nor more than nine (9) members; and

WHEREAS, by Ordinance No. 99-15, the Township created a Planning Commission with seven (7) members; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors of Hilltown Township has determined that it is in the best interest of the Township to reduce the membership of the Planning Commission from seven (7) members to five (5) members.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED, and it is hereby ENACTED and ORDAINED by the Board of Supervisors of Hilltown Township, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, after public hearing, duly advertised and held on the 14th day of December, 2015, as follows:

Section 1. Section 2. of Ordinance No. 99-15 shall be amended to read as follows:

Section 2. Membership; Terms of Office. The Hilltown Township Planning Commission shall consist of five (5) members, to be appointed by the Board of Supervisors. The terms of each of the members of the Commission shall be for four (4) years or until a successor is appointed and qualified. The terms of the members shall be fixed so that no more than two (2) shall be reappointed or replaced during any future calendar year. The Chairperson of the Planning Commission shall promptly notify the Board of Supervisors concerning vacancies in the Commission, and such vacancies shall be filed for the unexpired term.

Section 2. Section 7. Meetings., subsection B. Quorum., is amended to reduce the requirement for a quorum of the Planning Commission from four (4) members to three (3) members.

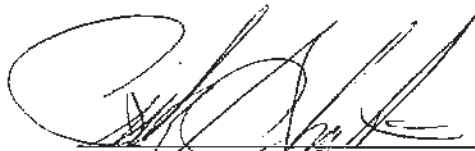
Section 3. Severability. If any provision of this Ordinance is invalid for any reason, including preemption by State or Federal law, the remaining provisions of this ordinance shall apply.

Section 4. Repealer. Any ordinance or part of an ordinance to the extent that it is inconsistent herewith is hereby repealed.

Section 7. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective five (5) days after enactment.

ENACTED and ORDAINED this 14th day of December, 2015.


ATTEST:


Rick Schnaedter, Township Manager

HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS


John B. McIlhinney, Chairman


Kenneth B. Bennington, Vice-Chairman


James C. Groff, Supervisor