

**TOWNSHIP OF PLAINFIELD**  
**NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**ORDINANCE NO. 411**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PLAINFIELD, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PLAINFIELD AT CHAPTER 1 (ADMINISTRATION AND GOVERNMENT), ARTICLE 3 (COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND ORGANIZATIONS) D (ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL); SEVERABILITY; REPEALER; EFFECTIVE DATE**

BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE PLAINFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA AND IT IS HEREBY ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE AUTHORITY OF SAME, AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1. Amendment to Chapter 1 (Administration and Government), Article 3 (Commissions, Boards and Organizations) D (Environmental Advisory Council) §1-332 (Number of Council Members)**

Chapter 1 (Administration and Government), Article 3 (Commissions, Boards and Organizations) D (Environmental Advisory Council) §1-332 (Number of Council Members) is hereby amended (revised) and restated in its entirety as follows:

The Environmental Advisory Council shall be composed of five (5) residents of Plainfield Township.

**SECTION 2. Amendment to Chapter 1 (Administration and Government), Article 3 (Commissions, Boards and Organizations) D (Environmental Advisory Council) §1-333 (Appointment of Council Members)**

Chapter 1 (Administration and Government), Article 3 (Commissions, Boards and Organizations) D (Environmental Advisory Council) §1-333 (Appointment of Council Members) is hereby amended (revised) and restated in its entirety as follows:

Council members shall be appointed in accordance with the following procedures:

- A. All Environmental Advisory Council members shall be appointed by the Board of Supervisors of Plainfield Township.
- B. The terms of office of each appointed Environmental Advisory Council member shall expire on the first Monday in January following the last year of their term of office.
- C. Duly appointed Environmental Advisory Council members shall serve a term of three (3) years.

- D. Whenever possible one (1) member shall also be a member of the Plainfield Township Planning Commission.
- E. Members of the Board of Supervisors and/or Planning Commission may serve on the Environmental Advisory Council provided the number of members of either the Board of Supervisors or the Planning Commission does not constitute a quorum of the Environmental Advisory Council.

**SECTION 3. Amendment to Chapter 1 (Administration and Government), Article 3 (Commissions, Boards and Organizations) D (Environmental Advisory Council) §1-336 (Chairman of Council Responsibilities)**

Chapter 1 (Administration and Government), Article 3 (Commissions, Boards and Organizations) D (Environmental Advisory Council) §1-336 (Chairman of Council Responsibilities) is hereby amended (revised) and restated in its entirety as follows:

Chapter 1 (Administration and Government), Article 3 (Commissions, Boards and Organizations) D (Environmental Advisory Council) §1-336 (Chairman of Council Responsibilities) shall be renamed as Chairperson of Council Responsibilities.

§1-336 (Chairperson of Council Responsibilities)

1. The Environmental Advisory Council shall designate a Chairperson at its annual organization meeting, which shall occur at the first scheduled meeting of the Environmental Advisory Council each calendar year.

The Environmental Advisory Council shall have the following responsibilities:

- A. Identify environmental problems.
- B. Recommend plans and programs to the appropriate agencies for the promotion and conservation of the natural resources and for the protection and improvement of the quality of the environment within the area of the Township.
- C. Make recommendations as to the possible use of open land areas of this Township.
- D. Promote a community environmental program.
- E. Keep an index of all open areas, publicly or privately owned, including, but not limited to, flood prone areas, swamps, and other unique natural areas.
- F. Advise the appropriate local governmental agencies in the acquisition of property, both real and personal.

G. Undertake such environmental tasks as requested by the Board of Supervisors of Plainfield Township.

**SECTION 4. Severability**

The provisions of this Ordinance shall be severable, and if any provision hereof shall be declared unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared as a legislative intent of the Township that this Ordinance would have been amended as if such unconstitutional, illegal or invalid provision or provisions has not been included herein.

**SECTION 5. Repealer**

All provisions of Township ordinances and resolutions, or parts thereof, that are in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance, are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 6. Effective Date**

This Ordinance shall become effective five (5) days after enactment by the Board of Supervisors of Plainfield Township.

**ENACTED AND ORDAINED** into an Ordinance this **9<sup>th</sup>** day of **March, 2022**.

**ATTEST:**

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Thomas Petrucci, Township Manager

**PLAINFIELD TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Glenn Borger, Chairman

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Stephen Hurni, Vice-Chairman

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Randy Heard

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jane Mellert

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Donald Moore

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Thomas R. Petrucci, duly qualified Secretary of the Township of Plainfield, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, hereby certify that the forgoing is a true and correct copy of an Ordinance duly adopted by a majority vote of the Plainfield Township Board of Supervisors at a regular meeting held on **March 9, 2022** and that said Ordinance has been recorded in the Minutes of the Township of Plainfield and remains in effect as of this date.

**IN WITNESS THEREOF**, I affix my hand and attach the seal of the Township of Plainfield, this **9<sup>th</sup>** day of **March, 2022**.

Thomas R. Petrucci, Township Manager/Secretary

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Thomas R. Petrucci, duly qualified Secretary of Plainfield Township, Northampton County, PA, hereby certify that the forgoing is a true and correct copy of a draft Ordinance that will be considered for adoption at the **March 9, 2022** regular Board of Supervisors meeting.

**IN WITNESS THEREOF**, I affix my hand and attach the seal of Plainfield Township, this **15<sup>th</sup>** day of **February, 2022**.



Thomas R. Petrucci, Township Manager