

LOWER PAXTON TOWNSHIP
Dauphin County, Pennsylvania

ORDINANCE NO. 18-05

**AN ORDINANCE OF LOWER PAXTON TOWNSHIP,
DAUPHIN COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 68
OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES TITLED,
“ANIMALS,” AS IT PERTAINS TO THE FEEDING
OF WILD ANIMALS AND FERAL CATS.**

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby ordained by the Board of Supervisors of Lower Paxton Township, Dauphin County, Pennsylvania that the Lower Paxton Township Codified Ordinances are hereby amended as follows:

BE IT ORDAINED that the Board of Supervisors does hereby amend Chapter 68, Animals, of the Lower Paxton Codified Ordinances as follows:

SECTION ONE: The Board of Supervisors hereby amends Chapter 68 by adding the following sections:

§ 68.4. Feeding Wild Animals Prohibited. It is unlawful for any person to feed a wild animal unless licensed to do so, with the exception of small seed eating birds, squirrels, and chipmunks. It is unlawful to place out mineral blocks or salt licks unless they are intended for authorized domestic livestock. For purposes of this Section, wild animals shall include but not be limited to deer; bears; non-domestic canines; non-domestic felines; non-domestic rabbits; skunks; raccoons; large birds, such as geese and turkeys; and other such wild animals which are typically found in and or are native to Pennsylvania.

§ 68.5. Feeding of Feral Cats. **The feeding of feral cats may only be done in conjunction with a feral cat management project, which must include a trap neuter and release program (“TNR”) or other program approved by the Lower Paxton Township Board of Supervisors. If a feral cat management project with TNR does not exist, the feeding of feral cats is not lawful.**

§ 68.6. Enforcement. The provisions of this Ordinance shall be enforced by any Township Police Officer or Code Enforcement Officer as assigned by the Township.

§ 68.7. Violations and penalties. Violations of this Chapter shall be enforced by action brought before a Magisterial District Judge in the same manner provided for the enforcement of summary offenses under the Pennsylvania Rules of Criminal Procedure. Any person, firm or corporation who or which violates or permits a violation of this Chapter shall, upon conviction in a summary proceeding, be punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000.00 plus costs, or in default of payment thereof, shall be subject to imprisonment for a term not exceeding thirty (30) days.

SECTION TWO: Any ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION THREE: The provisions of this Ordinance are severable, and if any section, sentence, clause, part or provision hereof shall be held to be illegal, invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision of the court shall not affect or impair the remaining sections, sentences, clauses, parts or provisions of this Ordinance.

DULY ENACTED AND ORDAINED INTO LAW as Ordinance No. 18-05
this 6 day of November, 2019 by the Board of Supervisors of Lower Paxton
Township.

ATTEST:

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
LOWER PAXTON TOWNSHIP**



Chris Judd, Township Secretary



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