VALLEY TOWNSHIP ALLEGAN COUNTY, MICHIGAN

ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE NO. 217

Adopted: May 14, 2002

Effective: May 31, 2002

An ordinance to establish the office of Ordinance Enforcement Officer; to prescribe the duties of said office; to authorize the Township Board to appoint any person or persons to said office as well as to designate enforcement powers to other officials.

THE TOWNSHIP OF VALLEY COUNTY OF ALLEGAN, MICHIGAN

ORDAINS:

SECTION I

ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Section 1. There is hereby established the office of Ordinance Enforcement Officer within the Township of Valley, Allegan County, Michigan.

SECTION II

APPOINTMENT

Section 2. The Township Board of Valley is hereby authorized by resolution, at any regular meeting of said Board, to appoint any person or persons to the office of Ordinance Enforcement Officer for such term or terms as may be designated in said resolution. Said Board may further, by resolution, remove any person from said office, in the discretion of said Board.

SECTION III

AUTHORIZATION TO ENFORCE ORDINANCE

Section 3. The Ordinance Enforcement Officer is hereby authorized to enforce all Ordinances of the Township of Valley, whether heretofore or hereafter enacted, and whether such Ordinances specifically designate a different official to enforce the same or do not designate any particular enforcing officer. Where a particular officer is so designated in any such Ordinance, the authority of the Ordinance Enforcement Officer to enforce the same shall be in addition and supplementary to the authority granted to such other specific officer. The authority of such Ordinance Enforcement Officer shall also be in addition and supplementary to the authority vested in the Township Supervisor by state statute. The Ordinance enforcing authority of the Township Supervisor and the other officers specifically designated in any Township Ordinance shall continue in full force and effect and shall in no way be diminished or impaired by the terms of the within Ordinance.

The Ordinance Enforcement Officer, any Deputy Sheriff for Allegan County, Reserve Officer, Township Constable, and the Township Zoning Administrator are hereby designated "authorized local officials" and are authorized to issue notices of violation, appearance tickets, ordinance violation citations and/or complaints and municipal civil infraction citations in accordance with MCL 600.8701(a); MSA 27A 27A.8701(a); MCL 600.8701(b); MSA 27A.8701(b); and MCL 600.8707(2); MSA 27A.8707(2).

SECTION IV

ENFORCEMENT DUTIES

Section 4. The Ordinance enforcement duties herein authorized shall include, among others, the following: investigation of Ordinance violations; serving notice of violations; serving appearance tickets as authorized under chapter IV of Public Act 175 of 1927 Code of Criminal Procedure, as amended; appearance in court or other judicial proceedings to assist in the prosecution of Ordinance violators, and such other Ordinance-enforcing duties as may be delegated by the Township Supervisor or assigned by the Township attorney.

SECTION V

SAVING CLAUSE

Section 5. The provisions of the within Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable and the invalidation of any one or more of the same by any judicial determination or statutory or constitutional provision shall not invalidate the remainder of said provisions or Ordinance.

SECTION VI

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section 6. This Ordinance shall take effect the day following the date of publication. All Ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

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