

BOROUGH OF HARMONY
BUTLER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HARMONY,
BUTLER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, PROHIBITING
OBSTRUCTIONS TO SIDEWALKS AND PROVIDING
AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

WHEREAS, in order to promote and protect the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the Borough of Harmony, Butler County, Pennsylvania, the Borough Council has determined it necessary to prohibit obstructions to sidewalks within the Borough.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained and enacted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Harmony as follows:

SECTION ONE: DEFINITIONS. For the purpose of this Ordinance, the following words shall have the meaning ascribed to them in this section, except where the context in which the word is used clearly indicates otherwise.

- A. Person: Any natural person, firm, partnership, association, corporation, company or organization of any kind.

SECTION TWO: OBSTRUCTION OF SIDEWALK PROHIBITED.

No person or persons shall place, keep or cause to be placed or kept upon any sidewalk or footwalk in the Borough of Harmony anything which will restrict or impair pedestrians using the sidewalk or footwalk. The sidewalks shall be kept open and unobstructed at all times for use of the public.

SECTION THREE: TREES, SHRUBBERY, BUSHES OBSTRUCTING SIDEWALKS.

No person owning or occupying any property within the Borough shall permit limbs of trees, shrubbery, bushes or any other type of plant life or growth to be less than eight (8) feet in height over any sidewalk, or to otherwise obstruct, impede or interfere with the use of such sidewalk.

- A. Trimming over sidewalk required. The owner of any vacant premises, or any owner or occupant of an occupied premises, shall trim, cut or remove all trees, shrubbery, bushes or any other type of plant life or growth growing upon such premises in violation of the provisions of this Ordinance.
- B. Notice to cut or remove. The Borough is authorized to give notice, by personal service or by mail, to the owner or occupant of the premises, requiring the owner or occupant to trim, cut or remove the obstruction within fifteen (15) days after issuance of the notice.

- C. Trimming or removal by Borough. In case any person neglects, fails or refuses to comply with such notice within fifteen (15) days, the Borough may trim, cut or remove such trees, shrubbery, bushes or any other type of plant life or growth or may enter into a contract to cause the same to be done, and the costs thereof, together with a penalty of five percent (5%) of such costs, may be collected by the Borough.

SECTION FIVE: VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES.

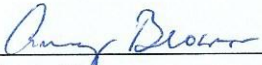
Any person who violates or permits the violation of this Ordinance shall, upon conviction in a summary proceeding, be punishable by a fine of not more than \$500.00 or by imprisonment for a term not exceeding thirty (30) days. Each day or portion thereof that such violation continues, or is permitted to continue, shall constitute a separate offense and notice to the offender shall not be necessary in order to constitute an offense. Each section of this Ordinance that is violated shall also constitute a separate offense.

SECTION SIX: EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon enactment and approval.

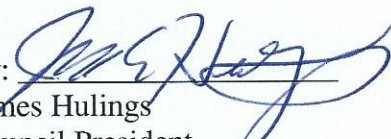
ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF HARMONY
THIS 1st DAY OF October, 2013.

ATTEST

BOROUGH OF HARMONY

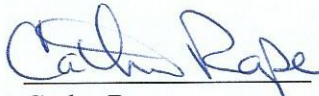


Amy Brown
Secretary

By: 

James Hulings
Council President

EXAMINED AND APPROVED BY ME THIS 1st **DAY OF** October,
2013.



Cathy Rape
Mayor