

ORDINANCE NO. 12-5

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE PARKING AND STORAGE OF FIFTH WHEEL TRAILERS, MOBILE HOMES, RECREATIONAL VEHICLES, MOTOR HOMES, TRUCK CAMPERS, PARK TRAILERS, TRAVEL TRAILERS AND OTHER TEMPORARY RESIDENTIAL UNITS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF MORRISTOWN, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

SECTION I

WHEREAS, the Village of Morristown is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and is basically a peaceful and quiet residential community that does support economic development.

WHEREAS, the Village of Morristown is located in Belmont County, Ohio, which county is subject to economic growth, stimulated by the oil and gas industry.

WHEREAS, it is part of the operation of the oil and gas industry to utilize out-of-state labor that temporarily locates within an area, which results in using temporary residential units as living spaces, other than dwellings attached to and built upon real property.

WHEREAS, the intent of Council of the Village of Morristown is to be certain that only permanent residential dwellings are to be placed on properties within the Village with proper utility connections and sanitation.

WHEREAS, it is necessary to provide restrictions with respect to temporary residential units.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Council for the Village of Morristown, Belmont County, State of Ohio, as follows:

SECTION II:

The parking and /or storage of temporary residential units upon any parcel of property within the Village shall be in accordance with the following provisions:

1. Temporary residential units shall include, but not be limited to, trailers, mobile homes, recreational vehicles, motor homes, travel trailers, recreational vehicles, fifth wheel trailers, truck campers, park trailers, and shall have the same definitions as found in Section 4501.01 of the Ohio Revised Code.
2. Temporary residential units shall not be stored or parked on any private parcels within the Village, whether occupied or unoccupied.

3. No temporary residential unit shall be stored or parked, if not used for residential purposes, but for business purposes, on any private parcels within the Village.
4. The wheels or any similar transporting devices of any temporary residential unit shall not be removed, nor shall said temporary residential unit be attached to the ground, in an attempt to redefine the temporary residential unit as a permanent residential unit.
5. No temporary residential unit, if owned by the owner of the property, shall be parked or stored upon the owner's property unless actively used solely, for recreational purposes by the owner or occupant of the premises outside of the Village.
6. The prohibitions contained herein shall apply equally to the owner, lessee, or other person owning or controlling the land, as well as the owner, lessee, or other person owning or controlling the temporary residential unit.

SECTION III:

Whoever violates any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a minor misdemeanor and fined not more than \$150.00 for each offense. Each day's violation shall constitute a separate offense.

SECTION IV:

This Ordinance constitutes an emergency measure for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety of the Village of Morristown and upon at least two-thirds affirmative vote of the members of Council shall go into effect upon the signature of the Mayor. Otherwise, this Ordinance is to become effective at the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: _____

APPROVED:

ATTESTED:
