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East Norriton Township Adopts 'Fireworks' Ordinance

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At its public meeting on August 25, 2020, the East Norriton Township Board of Supervisors adopted Ordinance 585 controlling the use of fireworks in the Township.

Included in the restrictions are that fireworks may not be ignited or discharged on Township property; that fireworks cannot be ignited two hours after dusk as defined by the National Weather service; and that fireworks cannot be ignited within 150 feet of any occupied structure.

In 2019, the Pennsylvania state legislature passed changes that gave local governments expanded controls over managing the use of fireworks with their municipal boundaries. East Norriton Township, like many other municipalities, has seen an increase in fireworks usage, much of which has resulted in community disturbance and complaints from residents.

After a careful review of the situation and listening to Township residents, the Board of Supervisors determined that it was appropriate to put reasonable restrictions on the use of fireworks, including hours and location of use. "This ordinance implements critical safety precautions for the use of fireworks and is essential to ensuring the peace and wellbeing of the Township and its residents", said Robert R Hart, Township Manager.

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