## NEWPORT TOWNSHIP 351 West Kirmar Ave

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Dear Property Owner,

Ordinance Number 2021-04 "Vacant and Abandoned Property Registration Law of Newport Township" was approved and enacted by the Board of Commissioners at its duly advertised Regular Meeting on December 6, 2021.

This Ordinance establishes a formal process to address the numerous deteriorating properties within the Township. It is the intent of the Township to establish an abandoned residential and commercial property program as a mechanism to protect residential neighborhoods from becoming blighted through the lack of adequate maintenance and security of abandoned properties. **The Township intends to rigorously enforce this new Ordinance.** 

In order to protect and promote the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Newport Township, the Ordinance requires, among other things, that owners, mortgagees and property management companies of vacant and abandoned properties register said properties with the Township.

The Ordinance further establishes penalties for failing to register.

This Ordinance is accessible on our web site newporttownship.org or a requested printed copy can be obtained at the Newport Township Municipal 351 Kirmar Avenue, Wanamie, PA. during normal business hours of 8:30 AM-3:00PM.

If you are the owner of a vacant/abandoned property, as defined in the Ordinance, I urge you to contact the Township immediately at the above number. The deadline for registering your property is August 31, 2022.

Sincerely,

Joseph Hillan

**Township Manager**