## GAINES TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE NO. 80

AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL ORDINANCE NO. 62 AND TO ENACT A NEW ORDINANCE ENTITLED "THE GAINES TOWNSHIP PRIVATE DRIVEWAY ORDINANCE," PROVIDING MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR PRIVATE DRIVEWAYS AND DISTINGUISHING PRIVATE DRIVEWAYS FROM PRIVATE ROADS.

## The Township of Gaines hereby ORDAINS:

## **Section 1. Minimum Requirements for Driveways.**

All private driveways providing access to structures in Gaines Township shall be constructed and maintained in such a way as to meet all of the following requirements

- a. A private driveway shall have a drivable surface of no less than twelve (12) feet in width;
- b. A private driveway shall have an overhead clearance of no less than twelve (12) above the travel surface;
- c. All bridges, tressels, culverts and tubes which are a part of the private driveway, or over which a private driveway passes, shall be capable of carrying a minimum weight load of fifteen (15) tons;
- d. All private driveways shall have a turning radius no less than forty five (45) degrees;
- e. All private driveways over five hundred (500) feet in length shall provide a turn-around area no less than twenty (20) long and thirty (30) feet wide, at the end of the driveway nearest the structure(s) it serves;
- f. The surface of a private driveway shall be adequately maintained at all times to allow for the passage of emergency vehicles thereon;
- g. No private driveway shall be used to provide access to more than two (2) residential structures. Each residential structure served by a driveway shall have the minimum road frontage required by Township ordinances. Any such "driveway" providing vehicular access to more than two (2) residential structures shall be deemed a "private road" and shall comply with such requirements of the Township for private roads as shall be established from time to time by ordinance enacted by the Township Board.

## Section 2. Requirements for Occupancy Permits.

No occupancy permit shall be issued for a structure requiring a private driveway for access unless the requirements of this ordinance have been met.

# Section 3. Repeal of Ordinance No. 62.

Ordinance No. 62 is hereby repealed and, upon the effective date of this Ordinance, shall be of no effect.

# Section 4. Penalty.

A violation of this Ordinance shall be a municipal civil infraction and the person or firm violating same shall be subject to the sanctions set forth in Gaines Township Ordinance No.74.

#### Section 5. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after publication as required by law.

At a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Township of Gaines held on the 7 th day of September, 2005, **Susan Somers** moved for adoption of the foregoing ordinance and **Diane Hyrman** supported the motion.

Voting for: Susan Somers, Diane Hyrman, Paul Fortino, Michael Dowler

Voting against: None

The Supervisor declared the ordinance adopted.

Paul Fortino Supervisor

Michael Dowler

Clerk

### **CERTIFICATION**

The foregoing is a true copy of Ordinance No.80 which was enacted by the board of trustees of Gaines Township at a regular meeting of said board of trustees held on the 7 th day of September, 2005.

Michael Dowler, Clerk