ORDINANCE AMENDING ZONING 110 TO INCLUDE SPECIFICS FOR KENNELS

110.16 CONDITIONAL USE

110.17. SPECIFIC STANDARDS

UU. KENNELS

A. A kennel may be permitted as a conditional use in commercial Zone district, only after the applicant demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Planning Commission that:

1. The applicant shall comply with all the applicable provisions of 3 P.S. § 459 and provides a copy of the kennel license to the Zoning Officer on an annual basis.

2. Kennel owners may reside on the same property as the kennel. If the owner does not reside on site, the kennel shall be staffed 24 hours per day, 7 days per week.

3. The property must be a minimum of 4 acres in size.

4. The kennel shall be designed so that no animal shall be permitted outdoors at any point closer than 100 feet to a property line or less than 200 feet to any existing residence or non-commercial district line. The Planning Commission shall be authorized to impose additional setbacks, buffers, and other measures to limit noise, odor, water pollution and other impacts on adjacent properties.

5. The kennel buildings that are intended to house dogs will be designed with special consideration being given to the reduction of noise.

6. All kennels shall be considered commercial uses and shall meet the requirements set forth in Zoning 110.14.A.2 repairs and personal services.

7. The applicant will provide the right of entry to the Township Zoning Officer and other appropriate officials as needed for enforcement of the Zoning Ordinance.

B. All kennels must be kept in a sanitary condition at all times and meet the following requirements:

1. All animal waste and unconsumed food shall be removed on a daily or more frequent basis. Fecal waste shall be disposed of as solid waste and stored in odor-proof, fly-proof containers. Fecal waste shall be removed from the property by a licensed solid waste hauler on a weekly, or more frequent basis.

2. Water used in flushing the cages and runs shall be disposed of in a sewage disposal system approved for that purpose by the Department of Environmental Protection and the Delaware Township Sewage Enforcement Officer.

3. No dog may be permitted outdoors after 8:00 p.m. nor before 7:00 a.m.

4. Areas must be provided for both indoor and outdoor exercise of the animals. The exercise area must be enclosed by a fence satisfactory to contain such animals as may be kept by the kennel.
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C. Nothing herein shall limit the right of neighboring property owners to pursue civil remedies in the abatement of nuisances that may be created by the kennel.

This Ordinance shall be effective immediately.

Adopted this 28 Day of March 2018.

Delaware Township Board of Supervisors

[Signatures]

JOHN HENDERSON, Chairman

JANE NEUFELD, Vice Chairman

RICK KOHLER, Supervisor

ATTEST:

[Signature]

Krista Predmore, Township Administrator

* To make this section alphabetically situated would mean the entire ordinance would need to be changed to push down the numbers for the rest of the ordinance