## RESOLUTION EAST BUFFALO TOWNSHIP NUMBER <u>04-2021</u>

**WHEREAS,** Chapter 20, Part 2, Section 203.2 of the Code of Ordinances of East Buffalo Township provides as follows:

"All occupants of or possessors of real estate situate within the Township shall separate leaf, grass, tree and shrub waste from all other Solid Waste and shall dispose of the same by composting or some other means authorized by appropriate ordinance, regulation or law."; and

**WHEREAS,** Chapter 20, Part 2, Section 203.4 of the Code of Ordinances of East Buffalo Township provides as follows:

"The Township Board of Supervisors shall, from time to time, by resolution, adopt such regulations as it finds necessary and appropriate to implement the provisions of this Ordinance and appropriate state and federal laws governing the recycling of Solid Waste. Upon adoption of said regulations, the same shall be advertised in two newspapers of general circulation in East Buffalo Township once a week for two consecutive weeks."; and

**WHEREAS,** East Buffalo Township has, for several years, removed and disposed of brush and yard waste from real estate in East Buffalo Township; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Supervisors of East Buffalo Township has determined that regulations concerning the removal and disposition of brush and yard waste would promote the health, safety and welfare of the residents of East Buffalo Township

NOW, THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE SAID SECTION 203.4, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of East Buffalo Township, Union County, Pennsylvania as follows:

- 1. East Buffalo Township shall periodically remove brush and yard waste from real estate abutting public streets in East Buffalo Township at such times as the Board of Supervisors shall determine.
- 2. Yard waste shall consist of vegetative or organic material produced from the care and maintenance of landscaped areas and gardens. This includes weeds, leaves, dead flowers and plants, pruned shrubs less than 8" in length.
- 3. Brush shall consist of wood sticks and wood branches not greater than 6" in diameter.
- 4. Brush and yard waste shall be separated and placed in separate piles by the owner/occupier of the real estate upon which the brush and yard waste is generated.
- 5. The said separate piles will be placed between 3 feet and 5 feet from the paved portion of a public street and/or sidewalk abutting the said real estate; provided, however, that piles do not obstruct drainage areas and are not placed near stationary objects (e.g., mailbox, fence, fire hydrant, utility pole, tree, etc.).
- 6. Brush shall be placed with cut ends facing the street; piles shall not be compacted, bagged, placed in collection containers, tarped or tied in bundles.
- 7. Materials that will not be removed by the Township shall include piles mixed with brush and yard waste; collected grass clippings; sod; dirt; rocks; logs and/or firewood; lumber and/or construction material; root balls; tree/bush stumps and/or stump grindings; wood chips; branches greater than 6" in diameter; landscaping timbers; non-vegetative landscaping materials.
- 8. East Buffalo Township shall provide public notice of the times it will remove brush and yard waste. The manner of public notice shall be determined by East Buffalo Township.
- 9. It shall be the responsibility of the owner/occupier of the said real estate to properly dispose of the said brush and yard waste not removed by East Buffalo Township due to the failure of the owner/occupier to comply with the provisions herein concerning separation and placement of brush and yard waste within the times established by East Buffalo Township as provided herein.

- 10. Owner/occupier shall remove the said brush and yard waste not removed by East Buffalo Township within 15 days of the date of the mailing of the written notice to do so. The notice shall be mailed by 1<sup>st</sup> class mail, postage prepaid, to the address upon which the brush and/or yard waste is located. For instances when the physical address is not the same as the tax bill address, the notice shall also be mailed by 1<sup>st</sup> class mail, postage prepaid, to the address to which tax bills for the real estate upon which the brush and/or yard waste is located are sent.
- 11. Brush, yard waste, tree limbs and stumps and other vegetation generated in the clearing of lands for construction purposes shall not be removed by the Township; rather, it shall be the responsibility of the owner of the land being cleared to properly dispose of the same. If the said brush, yard waste, tree limbs and stumps and other said vegetation is not removed within 15 days of the date of completion of said clearing, as determined by the Township, the Township shall provide written notice to the land owner in the manner provided in Section 12 herein to properly dispose of the same and the land owner shall properly dispose of the same within 15 days of the date of the mailing of the written notice.
- 12. Brush, yard waste, tree limbs and stumps and other vegetation generated by commercial tree and landscaping services, companies, entities or persons shall not be removed by the Township; rather, the same shall be the responsibility of the owner of the land upon which the same is located to properly dispose of the same. If the said brush, yard waste, tree limbs and stumps and other vegetation is not removed within 15 days of the date of the completion of the said work generating the said brush, yard waste, tree limbs and stumps and other vegetation, as determined by the Township, the Township shall provide written notice in the manner set forth in Section 12 herein to the land owner to properly dispose of the same and the land owner shall properly dispose of the same within 15 days of the date of the mailing of the notice.

RESOLVED and ADOPTED this day of February, 2021 by the Board of Supervisors of East Buffalo Township, Union County, Pennsylvania.

ATTEST:

Secretary

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF EAST BUFFALO TOWNSHIP

BY:

Chairman