

ORDINANCE NO. 676

**AN ORDINANCE, REGULATING NUISANCE PROPERTIES
WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF BLAIRSVILLE,
INDIANA COUNTY,
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA**

WHEREAS, the citizens of the Borough of Blairsville have come forward requesting that the Borough Council enact an Ordinance to deal with nuisance properties located within the borough of Blairsville to meet the needs of the community.

WHEREAS, the Council of the Borough of Blairsville has examined and studied the issue relating to nuisance property within the Borough and believe it is in the best interest and safety and welfare of the borough residents to enact the following:

Be it ordained and enacted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Blairsville and it is ORDAINED and ENACTED as follows:

SECTION 1.

No person, firm or corporation being the owner or person in possession of a building or dwelling house located within the Borough of Blairsville shall permit violations of the crime codes of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and/or the Borough Ordinances dully enacted by the Council of the Borough of Blairsville.

SECTION 2.

It shall be unlawful for a person, firm or corporation being the owner or person in possession of a building and or residence situate in the Borough of Blairsville upon appropriate notice to the property owner of two or more convictions for violations of the Pennsylvania Crimes Code and/or Borough Ordinances in the Courts of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania including but not limited to Magisterial District Courts or the Courts of Common Pleas.

If there are no convictions within 24months from the last conviction the one conviction shall be removed every 24 months.

SECTION 3.

Due Notice

It shall be the duty of the Borough Manager or his designee to notify the owner of the property that there have been two convictions for violations of the Pennsylvania Crimes Code and/or Borough Ordinances by sending a certified letter to the owner listed in the tax assessment record for the county of Indiana, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

SECTION 4.

Violations and Penalties

Any person who shall violation any provision of this chapter, upon conviction thereof, shall be punishable by fine as follows:

1st offense: \$ 600.00
2nd or subsequent offense: \$1,000.00

Plus costs of such proceedings upon default payment of such fine and cost by imprisonment in county jail for a term of not more than thirty (30) days,; provided, however, that if the magisterial district judge determines that the Defendant is without means to pay the fines and costs immediately or in a single remittance, such Defendant shall be permitted to pay fines and costs in installments and over such periods of time as the magisterial judge deems to be just.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED into law this 20th day of September, 2011.

ATTEST:

BOROUGH OF BLAIRSVILLE



Timothy Evans, Secretary

BY 

Ronald E. Evanko, President of
Council

Approved this 20th day of September, 2011.



Joseph Caugherty, Mayor