

Penn Township, York County, Pennsylvania
Board of Commissioners
Ordinance No. 885

DATE: February 16, 2026

**AN ORDINANCE TO VACATE AN UNNAMED ALLEY RUNNING
PARALLEL TO THE 900 BLOCK OF YORK STREET AND
INTERSECTING ALVIN STREET**

WHEREAS, on November 26, 2025, residents (“Petitioners”) abutting the alley as described in further detail below, petitioned the Township to vacate said alley;

WHEREAS, Petitioners are Matthew P. and Jessica R. Robinson, owning property located at 966 York Street, Hanover, Pennsylvania 17331, Parcel ID: 44-000-01-010300-00000; Rene and Rommi L. Kinard owning property located at 950 York Street, Hanover, Pennsylvania 17331, Parcel ID: 44-000-01-0102.00-00000; Roderick P. Robinson owning property located at 962 York Street, Hanover, Pennsylvania 17331, Parcel ID: 44-000-01-0104.00-00000; and; Jason and Kristina Hoeltzle owning property at 964 York Street, Hanover, Pennsylvania 17331, Parcel ID: 44-000-01-0103.A0.00000;

WHEREAS, another property owned by Michael B. Walls is located at 966 Rear York Street, Hanover, Pennsylvania 17331, Parcel ID: 44-000-01-0103-00000;

WHEREAS, said alley exists within Penn Township and runs behind Petitioners' properties and abuts the side of Michael B. Walls' property. Said alley being described in the parties' respective deed as "a 20-foot alley";

WHEREAS, the alley had been planned for but never opened, laid out, or dedicated to Penn Township as a public alley;

WHEREAS, the alley does not provide for public access to any property other than the properties of the Petitioners;

WHEREAS, Penn Township has never improved or maintained the subject alley, has not used the subject alley or opened it to public use, and could not, without incurring expense, open the subject alley for public use;

WHEREAS, Petitioners intend to improve the appearance of the alley by removing gravel and overgrown weeds and black topping said alley;

WHEREAS, Petitioners further intend to enter into a Private Alley and Maintenance Agreement whereby continued improvements, and maintenance of the subject alley will be the responsibility of the Petitioners;

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners deems it in the best interest of the citizens of the Township to vacate said alley, as depicted in Petitioner’s Petition;

WHEREAS, prior to the enactment of this Ordinance, a hearing was held, of which the owners of property adjacent to the described alley to be vacated were given at least ten (10) days written notice of the time and place thereof;

WHEREAS, a copy of said Petition is attached to this Ordinance as Exhibit "A" and incorporated by reference herein;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Board of Supervisors of Penn Township, York County, Pennsylvania:

Section 1. Under Section 53 P.S. 57045, the Board of Commissioners are authorized to vacate any public street or alley under their supervision and can approve an agreement with Petitioners setting forth the facts regarding the vacation.

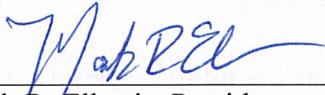
Section 2. A copy of this Ordinance together with Petitioner's Petition shall serve as such an Agreement and shall be recorded in the office of the recorder of deeds after which the alley is vacated.

Section 3. The provisions of this Ordinance are severable, and if any article, section, subsection, clause, sentence or part thereof shall be held or declared illegal, invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, the decision shall not affect or impair any of the remaining articles, sections, subsections, clauses, sentences or parts thereof of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared to be the intent of the Board of Commissioners that this Ordinance would have been adopted if such illegal, invalid or unconstitutional article, section, subsection, clause, sentence or part thereof had not been included herein.

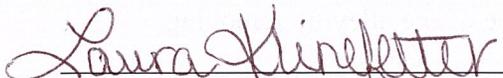
Section 4. This Ordinance shall become effective in accordance with the law.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED this 16th Day of February 2026.

Board of Commissioners of Penn Township

By: 
Mark R. Elksnis, President

Attest:


Laura Klinefelter, Secretary

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