

ORDINANCE NO. 1959-5

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE USE OF MAIN STREET IN THE BOROUGH OF WEST NEWTON, WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA FROM THE EASTERLY BOUNDARY LINE TO FOURTH STREET.

WHEREAS, Main Street in the Borough of West Newton, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, is a public thorofare and is designated as Pennsylvania State Highway Routes Nos. 71 and 31, and,

WHEREAS, the grade of Main Street between the Easterly Borough line and Fourth Street descends at a rapid rate and is steep and dangerous, and

WHEREAS, in the past few years there have been several major accidents on said Main Street which have taken the lives of several people, and caused thousands of dallars damage to property, and

WHEREAS, all of said major accidents have been caused by vehicles bearing Y., Z or a higher classifaction of Pennsylvania Registration Plates or similar vehicles from other states and countries and all of said vehicles have had a gross weight (including load) of 20,000 pounds or more, and most of said accidents have been due to mechanical failures of said vehicles, and,

WHEREAS, the continued use of Main Street from the Easterly boundary line of the Borough and Fourth Street by the aforementioned vehicles poses a constant and continuing threat of similar accidents, and,

WHEREAS, the only method of eliminating said accidents and the constant threat thereof is by prohibiting the use of Main Street between said points by the above described vehicles.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Burgess and Town Council of the Borough of West Newton, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same as follows:

SECTION 1. All vehicles, except buses, having a chassis weight of seven thousand, five hundred (7500) pounds or over, and bearing Pennsylvania Registration Plates Y, Z, WZ, YZ, ZZ, VX, WX, YX or ZX, or similar vehicles from other States or countries and all vehicles having a gross weight (including load) of 20,000 pounds or more, and all vehicles hauling trailers, regardless of chassis size, Registration Plates or weights, are prohibited from traveling on Main Street between the Easterly boundary line of the Borough and Fourth Street.

SECTION 2. Any person violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall, upon conviction thereof before the Burgess or any Justice of the Peace, be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than Five (\$5.00) Dollars or more than Fifty (50.00) Dollars and costs of prosecution, and in default of payment of such fines and costs, to imprisonment in the County Jail for not more than ten (10) days.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED this 19th day of June, 1959.

ATTEST:

B. T. Lash
Secretary

Edgar Rouse
President of Council

EXAMINED AND APPROVED this 19th day of June, 1959.

Robert C. Umbarger
Burgess