\*\*\*\*ADOPTED DECEMBER 4, 2006\*\*\*\*

## **DELANCO TOWNSHIP**

## ORDINANCE 2006-18

# AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 222 GOVERNING "PROPERTY MAINTENANCE"

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee of the Township of Delanco ("Township") is dedicated to improving and preserving the appearance of the Township for the betterment of the community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township has reviewed existing Code provisions, with regard to zoning, property maintenance, and peace and good order in an effort to improve existing regulations and allow for better enforcement of existing provisions.

**NOW, WHEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Delanco as follows:

### Section 1:

Chapter 222 governing property maintenance is amended as follows:

A. Chapter 222-8.A(11) – Vehicles, (excluding trailers) shall not be parked or stored in the front, side, or <u>rear</u> yards except within driveways, garages, <u>and</u> <u>Zoning Officer and Township Administrator approved storage areas</u>. Trailers of any kind shall not be stored in the front of a dwelling or on any public street. <u>No vehicles or trailer shall be stored on any property lacking a</u> <u>residence as the principle structure and use</u>. <u>A special exemption to the</u> <u>above may be obtained through the Zoning Officer and Township</u> <u>Administrator for extraordinary circumstances to provide for the storage of</u> <u>one (1) vehicle in the rear yard under a fitted and secured cover for a</u> <u>specific period of time, which under no circumstances, shall cumulatively</u> <u>exceed one year</u>.

B. Chapter 222-8.A is hereby amended to create an additional subparagraph (15) as follows:

"Rear yard" of the house shall be defined, for the purposes of this Chapter, to mean a line drawn along the rear foundation line of the principle structure and parallel to the street. The side yard of a dwelling is, therefore, limited to the area between the front edge and the rear edge of the front and rear foundation lines of the principle structure, and does not extend beyond the rear edge of the structure.

#### Section 2: Repealer, Severability and Effective Date.

- A. <u>Repealer</u>. Any and all Ordinances inconsistent with the terms of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of any such inconsistencies.
- B. <u>Severability.</u> In the event that any clause, section, paragraph or sentence of this Ordinance is deemed to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, then the Township Committee hereby declares it intent that the balance of the Ordinance not affected by said invalidity shall remain in full force and effect to the extent that it allows the Township to meet the goals of the Ordinance.
- C. <u>Effective Date.</u> This Ordinance shall take effect upon proper passage and approval in accordance with the law.