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Good morning!

[REDACTED] from the [REDACTED] referred me to you in regards to my small Nigerian Goat pets we have on our property in Lamar Twp since spring of last year. We are zoned R1 which states we cannot have an agricultural property. Which by all definition our small herd of 5 pet goats does not qualify as such under PA state law. We do not raise them for meat, dairy or any other agricultural profit commodity. They are simply pets. We have a manure management program as directed by our supervisors and the conservation district.

We have been inspected by [REDACTED] and our zoning officer and found in compliance. However my neighbor refuses to bend stating the ordinance must be enforced. (This entire issue is over a privacy fence erected after said nuisance neighbor trespassed several times to visit said pets).

Enforcement of this vague ordinance would be a great hardship to our small rural community of Amish and "English" alike. Many individuals in R1 have chickens and other small animals for personal use or pets. My goal is to further define and amend this ordinance to allow with a permit small animals.

Also my nuisance neighbor will state grazing ordinances if he loses this battle. I would argue my tiny less than 20 lb goats are not grazers but instead browsers as anyone with goat knowledge will tell you.

These animals are doing no harm and are loved and cared for. They have been on our property and enjoyed by everyone in our community until this individual [REDACTED] lost his battle over the fence and went after our pets.

I would greatly appreciate any help you can give me before our supervisors meeting on May 4th.

Thank you!

Sincerely

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