## West Mead Township Crawford County, Pennsylvania Ordinance No. 2024-\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE OF WEST MEAD TOWNSHIP, CRAWFORD COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, TO VACATE AN UNOPENED PORTION OF A STREET KNOWN AS VALE STREET AS LAID OUT IN WEST MEAD TOWNSHIP, THAT LIES BETWEEN THE OPENED PORTIONS OF THE STREET THAT LIE WITHIN THE CITY OF MEADVILLE OFF ITS INTERSECTIONS WITH ALLEGHENY STREET ON THE SOUTH AND WITH PARK AVE. ON THE EAST

Whereas, Records show that Vale Street appears to have been laid out in a subdivision or land development plan that was prepared by a Alfred W. Hammond P.E. in or about 1961. However, despite research, a copy of the Plan has not been found by the Township. According to maps, the street, as laid out, extends northwesterly from its intersection with Allegheny Street in the City of Meadville approximately 200 feet where it crosses into West Mead Township, and continues northwesterly in West Mead Township for another approximately 200 feet. The street then makes a 90 degree turn into a northeasterly direction and extends for a distance of approximately 700 feet in a straight line within West Mead Township to a place where it turns easterly and extends approximately 300 feet through the City of Meadville until it intersects with Park Avenue. The portions of the street that lie within the City of Meadville have been opened as City Streets. The remainder of the street has never been opened or used for public travel; and

*Whereas,* research shows that the lands lying on both sides of the portions of Vale Street as laid out within the boundaries of West Mead Township are owned by three persons/entities all of whom have joined in a Petition to vacate the unopened portion of Vale Street which lies within the boundaries of West Mead Township; and

Whereas, the Board of Supervisors has determined that the Petition to vacate the unopened portion of Vale Street as laid out and lying in West Mead Township should be granted for the following reasons: the street has never been opened for use, or used by vehicles or the public; the street has never been used for access to any property lying along the street within the Township, the entire area within the right of way as laid out is forested, and the vacation of this portion of the street would have no adverse impact on public travel, public utilities, or access to property; and

*Whereas,* the Township has authority to vacate public roadways under Section 2304 of the Pennsylvania Second Class Township Code; and

*Whereas,* it is the judgment of the Board of Supervisors of West Mead Township that vacation of the above referenced roadway as a public street will cause no inconvenience to the public or damage or injury to abutting property owners.

*Now, Therefore, Be It Ordained and Enacted* by the Board of Supervisors of West Mead Township, Crawford County, Pennsylvania, and it is hereby enacted and ordained by and with the authority of same as follows:

1. Pursuant to the authority of Section 2304 of the Second Class Township Code, West Mead Township hereby vacates

that portion of Vale Street, from the boundary line between West Mead Township and the City of Meadville beginning where the boundary line crosses that portion of Vale Street that extends northward from its intersection with Allegheny Street, approximately 200 feet, more or less, from the intersection of Vale Street with Allegheny Street; to

that portion of Vale Street, from the boundary line between West Mead Township and the City of Meadville where the boundary line crosses that portion of Vale Street which extends westward from its intersection with Park Avenue, approximately 200 feet, more or less from the intersection of Vale Street with Park Avenue; and

for a distance of 700 feet more or less, and for its full laid out width.

The portion of Vale Street being vacated is shown generally on the map attached hereto and marked Exhibits A.

- 2. The proper officers of the Township are hereby authorized and directed to file a certified copy of this Ordinance with the Office of the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas of Crawford County, and with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, and take any other action necessary to effectuate the intent of the Ordinance.
- 3. This Ordinance shall take effect five (5) days after enactment.

*Ordained and Enacted* as an Ordinance of West Mead Township on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024, by the Board of Supervisors of West Mead Township.

## WEST MEAD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

By:\_\_\_\_\_ Chairman

By:\_\_\_\_\_\_Supervisor

By:\_\_\_\_\_\_Supervisor

**ATTEST:** 

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Secretary