

Bangor Eyeing Crackdown On Undesirable Tenants And Landlords

By Amy Unger / Channel 69 News

BANGOR, Pa. - Bangor is taking steps to crack down on landlords and renters who aren't good neighbors.

At a public meeting on Monday, borough council will consider an update to its ordinance dealing with residential rental units and landlord registration.

A draft of the ordinance notes that, in recent years, many formerly private homes have been turned into residential rental units. "If you would look at the properties compared to owner-operator properties, (with) police calls, things like that, we are encountering more issues with rental properties as opposed to owner-occupied homes," said Bangor Borough Manager Stephen Reider.

The ordinance also notes that, in many cases, the owners of the properties live long distances from Bangor, and, as a result, property maintenance of many rental units has been "lax".

These trends have caused issues and safety concerns for homeowners who live near the rental units, the borough says.

The updated ordinance requires landlords to complete a more thorough application in registering rental properties in the borough. It also makes it easier to give problem tenants the boot. "If a property owner has issues with a tenant, and there are multiple police reports, it gives them an avenue to pursue eviction of those tenants for the issues they are causing," said Reider.

According to the ordinance, after three disruptive conduct incidents have been documented by police, the landlord has seven working days to begin eviction proceedings against the property's occupants.

Also, any disruptive conduct report will count against all occupants of the rental unit in question. The borough will maintain a list of all evictees, and they will be prohibited from renting any properties in Bangor for at least five years.

The issuance of a disruptive conduct report can be appealed to a board, which will be made up of a council person, a property owner in the borough, a renter in the borough, and a community member or business owner that resides or operates in Bangor.

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Monday's public meeting begins at 6:30 p.m. at the Bangor Borough Administration Office at 197 Pennsylvania Avenue.

Council is expected to take action on the ordinance at the conclusion of the meeting. Reider said the ordinance has council's support.

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By Deanna Ruzanski, Executive Director

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