## BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP CRAWFORD COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

## **ORDINANCE NO. 2024-7-8-1**

AN ORDINANCE OF BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP, CRAWFORD COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, ADOPTING AND GRANTING A NON-EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE TO SCOTT BRYER AND MATTHEW BRYER D/B/A S. BRYER CABLE TV CORPORATION TO CONSTRUCT, OPERATE, AND MAINTAIN A CABLE TELEVISION SYSTEM AND TO PROVIDE CABLE SERVICE IN BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CABLE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT, SETTING THE TERM OF THE FRANCHISE, PROVIDING FOR REPEALER, SEVERABILITY, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Communications Act of 1934, as amended by the Cable Communications Policy Act of 1984, the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992, the Telecommunications Act of 1996, and any amendments thereto, the regulations of the Federal Communications Commission, and the Second Class Township Code, at 53 P.S. §66532, Bloomfield Township (the "Township") is authorized to grant or renew franchises to construct, operation, and maintain a Cable System utilizing public rights-of-way and properties within the Township's jurisdiction; and

**WHEREAS,** Scott Bryer and Matthew Bryer d/b/a S. Bryer Cable TV Corporation ("S. Bryer Cable TV Corporation") has approached the Township regarding the execution of a Cable Franchise Agreement (the "Agreement") to govern the maintenance, construction, and operation of a Cable System, over, under, and along the Township rights-of-way for use by the Township's residents; and

**WHEREAS,** the Township has determined that S. Bryer Cable TV Corporation has the financial, legal, and technical ability to provide Cable Service to subscribers living in the Township; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township has determined that the public interest would be served by entering into the Agreement with S. Bryer Cable TV Corporation to provide Cable Service to subscribers living in the Township.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** that the Board of Supervisors of Bloomfield Township, Crawford County, Pennsylvania, does hereby approve the following:

- 1. <u>Recitals</u>. That the recitals described above are incorporated herein as if more fully set forth.
- 2. <u>Title.</u> This Ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the "S. Bryer Cable TV Corporation Franchise Ordinance."

## 3. Definitions.

- a. Where not defined in this Ordinance, another Township ordinance, or applicable Pennsylvania or Federal law, terms shall be given their ordinary, customary, and common meaning.
- b. The following words, when used in this Ordinance, shall have the meanings attached to them in this section:
  - i. "Cable Service" shall have the meaning provided under 47 U.S.C. §522(6), as may be amended from time-to-time.
  - ii. "Cable System" shall have the meaning provided under 47 U.S.C. §522(7), as may be amended from time-to-time.
  - iii. "Franchise" shall have the meaning provided under 47 U.S.C. §522(9), as may be amended from time-to-time.
- 4. <u>Franchise Authority.</u> As set forth in the Telecommunications Act of 1996, 47 U.S.C. §541, as amended, the Township has the legal authority to grant one or more cable Franchises within its jurisdiction, except that it may not grant an exclusive Franchise and may not unreasonably refuse to award an additional competitive Franchise.
- 5. Agreement and Award of Franchise to S. Bryer Cable TV Corporation. The Township hereby awards a non-exclusive Franchise to S. Bryer Cable TV Corporation such that S. Bryer Cable TV Corporation is authorized to install, operate, and maintain a Cable System and Cable Service within the Township. The Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to execute the Agreement, attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit A, which shall explicitly govern the provision of a Cable System and Cable Service provided by S. Bryer Cable TV Corporation within the Township.
- 6. <u>Term.</u> The Franchise will begin on November, 2023 and continue for a period of ten (10) years until November, 2033. The Township may extend the Franchise for additional terms through the renewal of the Agreement.
- 7. <u>Repealer.</u> All Ordinances and parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.
- 8. <u>Severability.</u> If any sentence, section, or amendment of this Ordinance is for any reason found to be unconstitutional, illegal, or invalid, such unconstitutionality, illegality, or invalidity shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, sentences, clauses, sections or amendments of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared as the intent of the Board of Supervisors that this Ordinance would have been adopted had such unconstitutional, illegal, or invalid sentence, clause, section, or amendment thereof not been included herein.
- 9. <u>Effective Date.</u> This Ordinance shall become effective five (5) days after being enacted by the Board of Supervisors.

**DULY ORDAINED AND ENACTED** this eighth day of July, 2024, by the Board of Supervisors of Bloomfield Township, Crawford County, Pennsylvania, in lawful session duly assembled.

ATTEST:	BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP
Karen Brozell, Secretary/Treasurer	Andy Mason, Chairman
	Bill Croker, Vice Chairman
	Stanley Shreye, Road Master

## SECRETARY CERTIFICATE

I certify that the above is a true copy of the Bloomfield Township, Crawford	County,
Pennsylvania, Ordinance No. 2024-7-8-1, adopted by the Bloomfield Township Boa	ard of
Supervisors on July 8, 2024 and advertised in the Corry Journal on, 2024.	
Karen Brozell, Secretary/Treasurer	