17-4.9 **Fair Rental Housing Board Established.**

a. There is created a Fair Rental Housing Board within the Township to be known as the "Edison Township Fair Rental Housing Board." This Board shall consist of seven (7) members who shall be appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the Municipal Council. The terms of office of the seven (7) board members shall be three (3) years and shall be staggered in such a manner that two (2) board members' terms will end in the first year, another two (2) members' terms will end in the second year, and the remaining three (3) members' terms will end in the third year from the date of the original appointments under this section.

b. The powers of the Board hereinafter granted and defined are final. Four (4) members thereof shall constitute a quorum; provided, however, that the quorum shall be increased to five (5) members in cases of hardship applications and capital improvement applications. The majority vote at any hearing shall be legally sufficient to render a final determination. All determinations of the Board reflecting the decisions, findings and determinations shall be final.

c. The adoption of this section shall not affect the terms or appointment of any member of the Rent Control Board appointed prior to the adoption of this section pursuant to an ordinance in effect at that time. Members so appointed shall continue for their terms as members of the Fair Rental Housing Board.

d. In addition to the seven (7) regular members of the Board, the Mayor, with the approval of the Council, shall also appoint two (2) alternate members, who shall be so designated; and an alternate shall act only in the absence of a regular member of the Board. The term of each alternate shall be three (3) years. The alternates shall serve without compensation.

(1999 Code § 5.52.080)