

**TOWNSHIP OF WEST BRADFORD  
ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE INTERNATIONAL  
MECHANICAL CODE 1996  
ORDINANCE 98-05**

*An Ordinance establishing the minimum regulations governing the design, installation and construction of mechanical systems, by providing reasonable safeguards to protect the public health and safety against the hazards of inadequate, defective or unsafe mechanical systems and installation; known as the Mechanical Code.*

Be it ordained by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of West Bradford as follows:

**SECTION 1.            ADOPTION OF MECHANICAL CODE**

That a certain document, three copies of which are on file in the office of the Township Secretary of the Board of Supervisors of the Township of West Bradford, being marked and designated as International Mechanical code, 1996 Edition, as published by the International Code Council, Inc. be and is hereby adopted as the Mechanical Code of the Township of West Bradford in the State of Pennsylvania; for the control of buildings and structures as herein provided; and each and all of the regulations, provisions, penalties, conditions and terms of the said International Mechanical Code are hereby referred to, adopted and made a part hereof, as if fully set out in this Ordinance, with the additions, insertions, deletions and changes, if any, prescribed in Section 3 of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 2.            INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES REPEALED**

All other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed. (Ordinance 94-06)

**SECTION 3. ADDITIONS, INSERTIONS, DELETIONS, AND CHANGES**

That the following sections are hereby revised as follows:

Chapter 1.

- Section 101.1 (Page 1) 2<sup>nd</sup> Line - "Title" - enter "Township of West Bradford".
- Section 106.4.3 (Page 4) "Expiration" - Change to Read - Every permit issued by the Code Official under provisions of this code shall expire by limitation and become null and void if the work authorized by such permit is not commenced within 180 days from the date of such permit, or if the work authorized by such permit is suspended or abandoned at any time after the work is commenced for a period of 180 days. All work for which a permit has been issued shall be completed within two (2 years) from the date of issuance of such permit unless otherwise approved by the code official. Before such work can be commenced a new permit shall first be obtained and the fee therefore shall be one half the amount required for a new permit provided no changes have been made or will be made in the original construction documents for such work, provided further that such suspension or abandonment has not exceeded one year.
- Section 106.5.2 (Page 4) Fee Schedule - Change to Read - Permit fees shall be as set forth by resolution as adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of West Bradford.
- Section 106.5.3 (Page 4) Fee Refunds - Subsection 2 and Subsection 3 - Enter -50%.
- Section 108.4 (Page 5) Violation Penalties - Insert the following - Seventh, eighth and ninth lines - "summary offense", "\$1,000.00", "30 days".
- Section 108.5 (Page 5) Stop Work Orders - Insert the following - 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> lines - "50.00", "\$1,000.00".
- Section 108.5.1 (Page 5) Add New Section - "Removal of Stop Work Order" - It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to remove a Stop Work Order having been posted by the code official. Only authorized persons shall remove such postings.
- Section 109.1 (Page 6) Application for Appeal - Add The Following - A fee as set forth by resolution, as adopted by the Board of Supervisors of West Bradford Township shall be paid at the time of such appeal. Public hearings shall be scheduled within 30 days from the date in which application for an appeal is received by the Township.

- Section 109.2 (Page 6) Membership of Board - Change To Read - The Board of Appeals shall consist of three members appointed by the Board of Supervisors. The terms of office shall be for three years. Members may succeed themselves by appointment by the Board of Supervisors.
- Section 109.2.1 (Page 6) Qualifications - Delete entire section.
- Section 109.2.2 (Page 6) Alternate Members - Change To Read - The Board of Supervisors may appoint one alternate member who shall be called by the Board Chairman to hear appeals during the absence or disqualification of a member. Alternate members shall be appointed for a period of three years until a successor has been appointed.
- Section 109.3 (Page 7) Notice of Meeting - Change To Read - The board shall meet upon notice from the chairman within 30 days of the filing of an appeal.
- Section 109.4.1 (Page 7) Procedure - Delete entire section.
- Section 109.5 (Page 7) Postponed Hearing - Change To Read - When three members are not present to hear an appeal, either the appellant or the appellant's representative shall have the right to request a postponement of the hearing.
- Section 109.6 (Page 7) Board Decision - Change To Read - The Board shall modify or reverse the decision of the Code Official by a concurring vote of the majority of those board members present.
- Chapter 10.
- Section 1006.7.10 (Page 84) Electrical Requirements - Add The Following - Additional means shall be provided to disconnect all fixed space heating equipment, heaters, furnaces, and motor controller(s) and supplementary overcurrent protective device(s) in addition to the required switching devices. The "emergency" switch shall be located in a convenient location readily accessible to the means of ingress or egress to the room or space in which the equipment is located. Emergency switches shall be clearly identified as such.
- Chapter 9.
- Section 928 (Page 80) Add New Section - Commercial, Public, Multi-Family Buildings - Portable heating appliances designed to utilize natural gas, manufactured gas, mixed gas, liquified petroleum products, oil or any gas or fuel used for heating purposes shall be prohibited from use in any commercial, public and multi-family dwelling and building catering to the public.

**SECTION 4**                      **SAVING CLAUSE**

That nothing in this Ordinance or in the Mechanical Code hereby adopted shall be construed to affect any suit or proceeding impending in any court, or any rights acquired, or liability incurred, or any cause or causes of action acquired or existing, under any act or ordinance hereby repealed as cited in Section 2 of this Ordinance; nor shall any just or legal right or remedy of any character be lost, impaired or affected by this Ordinance.

**SECTION 5.**                      **CONFLICTS WITH EXISTING STATE REGULATIONS**

Wherever any provisions or requirements or the regulations of the Department of Labor and Industry of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is more stringent than a provision or requirement of this Ordinance, the applicable provision or requirement of the said Department of Labor and Industry shall supersede any such revision or requirement of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 6**                      **FEE SCHEDULE**

All fees shall be determined by the Board of Supervisors and a schedule of such shall be made available to the public. The Board of Supervisors shall be empowered to reevaluate the fee schedule and make any necessary alterations to it. Such alterations shall not be considered an amendment to this Ordinance and may be adopted at any public meeting of the Board of Supervisors by Resolution.

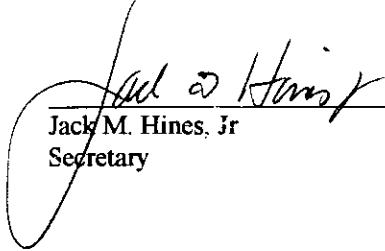
**SECTION 7**                      **DATE OF EFFECT**

That the Township Secretary shall certify to the adoption of this Ordinance and cause the same to be published as required by law; and this Ordinance shall take full force and effect immediately after this date of final passage and approval.

**SECTION 8**

**ADOPTED THIS 10<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 1998.**

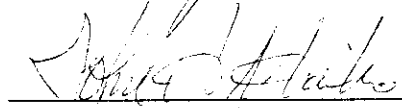
**ATTEST:**

  
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Jack M. Hines, Jr  
Secretary

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