

CHAPTER 4

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§101. Short Title. This Part 1 shall be known as the "Walker Township Building Permit Ordinance." (Ord. 11/3/1975, 11/3/1975, §I)

§102. Establishment of Office of Building Permit Officer. The Office of Building Permit Officer is hereby created in the Township of Walker, Juniata County, Pennsylvania. (Ord. 11/3/1975, 11/3/1975, §II)

§103. Duties of the Building Permit Officer. It shall be the duty of the Building Permit Officer or his authorized representative to enforce within the Township of Walker all rules and regulations applicable to this Part 1. (Ord. 11/3/1975, 11/3/1975, §III)

§104. Non-Applicability of Building Permit Regulations.

1. The Walker Township Building Permit Officer shall submit a copy of each building permit issued in said municipality to the Juniata County Building Permit Officer.

2. The regulations contained herein shall not apply in the case of repairs; said term being defined as painting or the normal regular repairs to a building aggregating two thousand (\$2,000.00) dollars or less in value.

(Ord. 11/3/1975, 11/3/1975, §IV)

§105. Application for Permit.

1. It shall be unlawful to construct, enlarge, alter, remove or demolish or to commence to construct, enlarge, alter, remove or demolish any building without first filing an application in writing with the Building Permit Officer of Walker Township, and obtaining the required permit therefor. Building as hereinbefore mentioned shall include, but shall not be limited to, mobile homes, trailers, modular units, recreational units, swimming pools, decks, carports and moveable sheds of size six (6) feet by eight (8) feet or larger. [Ord. 1997-1]

2. The application for a permit shall be submitted in such forms as the Building Permit Officer may prescribe and accompanied by the required fee.

3. Application for permit shall be made by the owner or lessee of the building or the authorized agent of either. All applications shall be accompanied by an affidavit of the owner that the information contained is true and correct.

4. The application shall contain the full names and addresses of the applicant and of the owner, and if the owner is a corporate body, the name of its responsible officer, a general description of the proposed work, the location and municipality in which the property is located, the use and occupancy of all parts of the building or structure, an accurate estimate of the costs of the proposed work, and shall give such additional information as may be required by the Building Permit Officer for an intelligent understanding of the work proposed.

5. "Estimate of the Costs", as used in §105(4) above, shall include the estimated value of the labor to be performed as well as the estimated value of materials to be utilized.

6. The application shall have attached thereto as exhibits written evidence of compliance by the applicant with all pertinent state, county and/or municipal statutes, ordinances and/or regulations and no permit shall be issued by the Building Permit Officer until all such statutes, ordinances and/or regulations have been complied with by the applicant.

7. All work relating to a building permit shall begin within six (6) months of the date of issuance or said permit shall expire, except where a time extension has been granted in writing by the Building Permit Officer. Upon completion of the work relating to said building permit, the person, persons or entity to whom the building permit was issued shall notify the Building Permit Officer, who shall inspect said work to insure compliance with the purposes for which said permit was issued.

(Ord. 11/3/1975, 11/3/1975, §V; as amended by Ord. 1997-1, 10/6/1997, §105)

§106. Fee Schedule.

1. No permit to begin work on construction, enlargement, alteration, removal or demolition under these regulations shall be issued until the proper fees have been paid to the Building Permit Officer.

2. The Building Permit Officer shall keep an accurate account of all fees collected and such fees shall be immediately remitted to the Secretary of the Township Supervisors or otherwise disposed of as required by law.

3. The fee for each building permit shall be as set forth by the Township Supervisors in a resolution adopted and in effect at the time of application for each building permit. [Ord. 1997-1]

(Ord. 11/3/1975, 11/3/1975, §VI; as amended by Ord. 1991-1, 1/7/1991; and by Ord. 1997-1, 10/6/1997, §106)

§107. Posting of Permit. The building permit issued in accordance with the Part 1 shall be conspicuously posted on the building itself or in the immediate vicinity thereof at all times until work is completed. (Ord. 11/3/1975, 11/3/1975, §VII)

§108. Revocation of Permit. The Building Permit Officer may revoke a permit issued under the provisions of this Part 1 in case of any false statement or misrepresentation of fact in the application or on the plans serving as the basis on which the permit was issued. (Ord. 11/3/1975, 11/3/1975, §VIII)

§109. Appeals. Any person aggrieved by the decision of the Building Permit Officer regarding any application for a permit may appeal said decision to the Board of Township Supervisors. Such appeal must be filed in writing with the Secretary of the Board of Supervisors within ten (10) days after the decision by the Building Permit Officer. Upon receipt of such appeal, the Board of Township Supervisors shall set a time and place not less than seven (7) nor more than fourteen (14) days for the purpose of hearing the appeal. Notice of the time and place of the hearing of the appeal shall be given to all parties by certified mail, return receipt requested, at which time they may appear and be heard. (Ord. 11/3/1975, 11/3/1975, §IX)

§110. Penalties.

1. Any person who fails to comply with any and all of the provisions of this Part 1, or who refuses to comply with any notice or order of the Building Permit Officer, or his authorized representative, shall be guilty of an offense and upon conviction thereof shall be subject to a fine of not less than ten (\$10.00) dollars not more than one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars, plus the costs of prosecution, and in default of the payment of such fine and costs to imprisonment not exceeding thirty (30) days. Each day's failure to comply with any such provision or requirement or of any such order shall constitute a separate offense.

2. The contractor, doing the work for the owner or lessee, who fails to comply with any and all of the provisions of this Part 1, shall be subject to the same penalties as set forth in §110(1).

3. The owner who fails to comply with any and all of the provisions of this Part 1, in addition to the penalties hereinabove provided, shall also be billed for real estate taxes from the time such construction or improvements are commenced.

(Ord. 11/3/1975, 11/3/1975, §X; as amended by Ord. 1991-1, 1/7/1991)

