

ORDINANCE NO. 76 - ~~76~~ 3

AN ORDINANCE GOVERNING THE DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, ALTERATIONS, DEMOLITION AND MOVING OF CERTAIN BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES AND THEIR SERVICE EQUIPMENT, ADOPTING THE BOCA BASIC BUILDING CODE OF 1975, SIXTH EDITION, WITH ALL SUPPLEMENTS TO DATE, AND TO BE ISSUED IN THE FUTURE, AND MODIFYING AND AMENDING CERTAIN PORTIONS OF THE BASIC BOCA CODE, AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 72-3 WHICH HAD ADOPTED THE BOCA ABRIDGED BUILDING CODE, FIFTH EDITION, 1970.

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED, by the Board of Supervisors of Hilltown Township, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, and it is hereby enacted and ordained by authority of the same:

SECTION 1. The Supervisors repeal Ordinance No. 72-3 and amendments thereto by which the BOCA Abridged Building Code, Fifth Edition, Inc., and which code was adopted on December 7, 1972, pursuant to the provisions of Section 702 clause LI of the Second Class Township Code, Act of May 24, 1933, P.L. 103 as amended.

SECTION 2. The BOCA Basic Building Code of 1975 as promulgated by the Building Code of Officials Conference of America, Inc., Sixth Edition, 1975, with all supplements to date, and there to be issued in the future is adopted with the following additions, insertions and changes to the Basic BOCA Code.

SECTION 3. Supplements, Deletions and Modifications.

Section 100.1 Title: The words "Township of Hilltown"

and "Pennsylvania" are inserted in the appropriate places in Section 100.1.

Section 105.01 - December 30, 1966.

Section 107.1 The words "Township of Hilltown" and "Pennsylvania" are inserted in the appropriate places in Section 107.1.

Section 107.2 Appointment: The building official shall be appointed by the Board of Supervisors of Hilltown Township, and shall serve at the pleasure and behest of the Board of Supervisors,

Section 107.5 is deleted.

Section 107.6 is deleted.

Section 118.3 New Construction and Alterations: Deleted. In its place as follows: The Board of Supervisors from time to time shall establish the fee structure for building permits. The Board shall do the same for demolition permits.

Section 118.4 Moving of Buildings: Deleted.

Section 118.5 Demolition: Deleted.

Section 122.3 Violation Penalties: Deleted as written, and amended to read as follows:

"Any person, co-partnership or corporation violating any of the provisions of this ordinance or of the Building Code hereby adopted shall, upon summary proceedings brought in the name of the Township be fined upon conviction in an amount not exceeding \$300.00 and in default of the payment of such fine and costs of prosecution shall be imprisoned for not more than 30 days. Each day that a violation continues shall be deemed a separate offense."

Section 123.2 Add \$100.00 and \$300.00.

Section 126.0 through 127.6 - Deleted.

Section 200.1 Add Hilltown Township

Section 200.3 Add Hilltown Township

SECTION 4. Appeals from Decision of Building Official.

Any party in interest may appeal from the decision of the building official by notifying the Secretary of the Board of Township Supervisors, in writing, of his intention to appeal. Such notice of intention shall be filed with the Secretary of the Board of Supervisors within thirty (30) days of the date of the decision appealed from. The Board of Supervisors shall promptly set a hearing date at which the public may be heard. The Township Supervisors shall either affirm, reverse or modify the decision of the building official. The decision of the Board of Supervisors shall be final.

SECTION 5. Adoption by Reference. That a certain document at least three copies of which are on file in the Hilltown Township Building, known as the BOCA Basic Building Code of 1975, Sixth Edition, published by the Building Officials Conference of America, Inc., be and the same is hereby made available for review by interested citizens.

SECTION 6. Exclusions.

1. Agricultural building shall be exempted from the provisions of the Building Code hereby adopted. Agricultural buildings are defined as buildings used exclusively for one or more of the following purposes:

- (a) The storage of crops grown or to be used on premises;
- (b) The housing of poultry or livestock (not including dogs);

- (c) The storage of farm machinery equipment or supplies for use on the premises; or
- (d) Any purpose clearly incidental to one or more of the foregoing.

2. Also exempted from the provisions of this Building Code shall be buildings having floor areas (including each floor, basements and attached garages) of less than one hundred (100) square feet.

3. Also exempted shall be repairs, maintenance and equipment replacements (as distinguished from new construction) amounting to less than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for materials.

SECTION 7. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force five (5) days after it is adopted by the Board of Supervisors.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED this 14th day of June
A.D., 1976.

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