

TOWNSHIP OF Dimock

ORDINANCE No. 2004-9-13

AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING ALL PERSONS, PARTNERSHIPS, BUSINESS AND CORPORATIONS TO OBTAIN AN ASSESSMENT PERMIT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF ALL AGRICULTURAL BUILDINGS, MANUFACTURED HOUSING, HISTORICAL BUILDINGS, ACCESSORY AND MISCELLANEOUS-USE STRUCTURES LESS THAN 1000 SQUARE FEET WHICH ARE NOT HABITABLE AND LIMITED TO ONE-STORY IN THE TOWNSHIP OF Dimock.

BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY the Township of Dimock,
Susquehanna County, Pennsylvania, and it is hereby enacted and ordained by the authority of the
same as follows:

Section 1.0 – Statement of Intent

- A. The intent of this Ordinance is to inform the municipality on construction for assessment purposes.

Section 1.1 - Applicability

It shall be unlawful for any person, partnership or business or corporation to undertake, or cause to be undertaken the construction, renovation or repair of any agricultural building, manufactured housing, historical building, accessory or miscellaneous-use structure less than 1000 square feet which is non habitable and limited to one-story anywhere within the municipality unless an approved assessment permit has been obtained from the Building Official.

Section 1.2 - Abrogation and Greater Restrictions

This Ordinance supersedes any provisions currently in effect. However, any underlying ordinance shall remain in full force and effect to the extent that those provisions are more restrictive.

Section 1.3 - Severability

If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be declared invalid for any reason such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this ordinance which shall remain in full force and effect and for this reason the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable.

Section 1.4 – Municipal Liability

This Ordinance shall not create liability on the part of the Municipality or any officer or employee thereof for any damages, that result from reliance on this Ordinance or any administrative decision lawfully made hereunder.

noncompliance with, this Ordinance shall not excuse the violation or noncompliance or permit it to continue; and all such persons shall be required to correct or remedy such violations and noncompliances within a reasonable time.

Section 4.0 – General

Unless specifically defined below, words and phrases used in this Ordinance shall be interpreted so as to give this Ordinance its most reasonable application.

Section 4.1 – Specific Definitions

- A. Agricultural building – a structure utilized to store farm implements, hay, feed, grain or other agricultural or horticultural products or to house poultry, livestock or other farm animals. The term shall not include habitable space or spaces in which agricultural products are processed, treated or packaged and shall not be construed to mean a place of occupancy by the general public.
- B. Building Official – a person employed by the Susquehanna County Council of Governments Codes Enforcement Committee as a codes enforcement officer.
- C. Construction – the construction or relocation of a building or structure.
- D. Manufactured housing – under section 901(a) of the act (35 P.S. § 7210.901(a)), housing which bears a label as required by and referenced in the Manufactured Housing Act (35 P.S. §§ 1656.1–1656.9), certifying that it conforms to Federal construction and safety standards adopted under the National Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C.A. §§ 5401–5426).
- E. Structure – anything constructed or erected on the ground or attached to the ground including, but not limited to buildings, sheds and other similar items.

Section 5.0 – Effective Date

This Ordinance shall become effective on Sept. 13, 2004, and shall remain in force until modified, amended, or rescinded by the Township of Dimock, Susquehanna County, Pennsylvania.

Adopted this 13th day of Sept., 2004.

Board of Supervisors of
Dimock Township

Henry E. Baker
Chairman
Gerald Ellis Sr.

Attest:

[Signature]
Secretary

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