

ORDINANCE NO. 639

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PENN, YORK
COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING SECTION 307
OF THE 2003 INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE.

BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED, by the Penn Township Board of Commissioners, York County, Pennsylvania, and it is hereby ordained by the authority of the same as follows:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENTS

307.2 Permit Required

Shall be amended to read:

“A permit shall be obtained from the fire official in accordance with Section 105.6 prior to kindling a fire for (1) burning of fence rows, fields, agricultural fields and materials relating to farming by the occupant of a tract of land consisting of not less than ten (10) contiguous acres; (2) range or wildfire management practices, prevention or control of disease or pests; (3) a bonfire. Permits require the payment of a fee which shall be set by Resolution from time to time. Annual permits must be renewed during the month of May. Permits not renewed by June 1 of each year shall be expired and a new permit will be required before burning can resume.”

307.2.2 Prohibited Open Burning

Shall be amended to read:

“Open burning shall not be used for waste disposal purposes, shall be of the minimum size for the intended purpose, and the fuel chosen must minimize the generation and emission of air contaminates. Open burning that will be offensive or objectionable because of smoke or odor emissions when atmospheric conditions or local circumstances make such fires hazardous shall be prohibited. The fire code official is authorized to order the extinguishments by the permit holder or the fire department of open burning which creates or adds to a hazardous or objectionable situation. The Code Official may rely on the Fire Chief or his designated representative to verify the content of the material to be burned, as well as any other public safety considerations which fall within the realm of their expertise.”

The following section shall be added:

307.2.3 Notification

“Notification of open burning shall be submitted in writing at least three (3) days in advance and shall be in such form and contain any information required by the Code Official. Said notification shall contain, at a minimum, the purpose of the proposed burn, the nature and quantities of material, the date(s) when the burn will occur, and the location of the burn site.”

SECTION 2. REPEALER

All Ordinances or parts of ordinances, which are inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this ordinance is held invalid, said invalidity shall not affect any other provision or application of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. AMENDMENT TO TOWNSHIP CODE

The Articles hereby adopted shall be deemed to be incorporated into the Penn Township Code so that reference to the Code shall be understood and intended to include such changes.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED this 20th day of February 2006.

Board of Commissioners of Penn Township

By: Joseph A. Klunk
Joseph A. Klunk, President

Attest:

Kristina V. Rodgers
Kristina V. Rodgers, Secretary