

ORDINANCE NO. 176

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BETHEL DELAWARE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA ADOPTING IN GENERAL THE PROVISIONS OF INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE OF 2006 WITH ADDITIONS AND MODIFICATIONS TO SOME OF THE PARAGRAPHS CONTAINED THEREIN

BE IT **ENACTED** and **ORDAINED** by the Board of Township Supervisors of the Township of Bethel as follows:

SECTION I. The International Property Maintenance Code of 2006 prepared by the International Code Council Inc., Be and is Hereby Adopted as the Property Maintenance Code of the Township of Bethel with the following amendments:

A. Section 106.3 is hereby amended to read:

“Violation penalties. Any person failing to comply with the notice of violation or order served in accordance with Section 107 shall be deemed guilty of a summary offense, and the violation shall be deemed a strict liability offense. If the notice of violation is not complied with, the Township shall institute the appropriate proceedings at law or in equity to restrain, correct or abate such violation, or to require the removal or termination of the unlawful occupancy of the structure in violation of the provisions of this code or of the order or direction made pursuant thereto. Any action taken by the authority having jurisdiction on such premises shall be charged against the real estate upon which the structure is located and shall be a lien upon such real estate.”

B. Section 302.4 Weeds:

“All premises and exterior property shall be maintained free from weeds or plant growth in excess of 8 inches in height. All noxious weeds shall be prohibited. Weeds shall be defined as all grasses, annual plants and vegetation, other than trees or shrubs provided; however, this term shall not include cultivated flowers and gardens.”

C. Chapter 6, Section 602.3 Heat supply shall be amended to read:

“Every owner and operator of any building who rents, leases or lets one or more dwelling unit, rooming unit, dormitory or guestroom on terms, either expressed or implied, to furnish heat to the occupants thereof shall supply heat at all times to maintain a temperature of not less than 68 °F (20°C) in all habitable rooms, bathrooms, and toilet rooms.”

D. Section 602.4 Occupied work space shall be amended to read:

“Every owner or operator of any building with employee work areas shall supply heat at all times to maintain a temperature of not less than 68 °F (20°C) in all work areas used by employees.”

ENACTED and ORDAINED this 12th day of June, 2007.

**TOWNSHIP OF BETHEL
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**



SHARON L. HANNUM, Chairperson

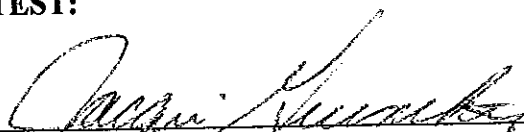


L. MICHAEL GEORGE, Vice-Chairman



ALFRED E. GROER

ATTEST:



JACQUI GUENTHER, Secretary – Treasurer