

ORDINANCE NO. 4

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH BEAVER, BEAVER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, REQUIRING AND REGULATING SANITARY DISPOSAL SYSTEMS AND DISPOSAL OF SEWAGE MATTER FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE HEALTH, CLEANLINESS, COMFORT AND SAFETY OF THE CITIZENS OF THE SAID TOWNSHIP; PROHIBITING CERTAIN UNSAFE AND UNSANITARY CONDITIONS; PROVIDING FOR THE REQUIRING AND ISSUING OF PERMITS; PROVIDING FOR INSPECTIONS; AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATIONS THEREOF.

BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Supervisors of the Township of South Beaver under and by virtue of the authority contained in the Second Class Township Code, and it is hereby enacted and ordained by the authority of the same as follows:

Section I  
Title and Purpose

(a) Short Title. This Ordinance shall be known and may be cited as "The South Beaver Township Sewage Disposal Ordinance".

(b) Purpose. The purpose of this Ordinance is to promote the public health, cleanliness, comfort and safety of the citizens of the Township of South Beaver.

Section II  
Inside Sanitary Sewage Disposal System Required

Inside sanitary facilities and a sanitary sewage disposal system shall be provided for every improvement thereafter erected and intended to be used for dwelling purposes even though such structure is fabricated or manufactured elsewhere and placed on a lot and intended

to be used as a dwelling, whether affixed there permanently or temporarily, and whether mobile or immobile.

### Section III Requirements for Sewage Facilities

(a) The design of individual sewage disposal systems shall take into consideration location with respect to wells or other sources of water supply, topography, water table, soil characteristics, available area, and the maximum occupancy of the buildings; with each unit of the disposal system to be designed to adequately treat the estimated volume of waste to be discharged from the premises to be served.

(b) When inside sanitary facilities are to be provided, the sewage disposal systems shall contain a septic tank, a distribution box, and a tile field disposal area, with the minimum sizes and capacities, and the manner of construction and location of the different units of the system to be in accordance with specifications and schedules attached hereto and made a part hereof as adopted by Resolution of the Board of Supervisors upon the enactment of this Ordinance, or as such specifications and/or schedule which may be amended by resolution of the Board of Supervisors.

### Section IV Connecting Lines and Joints

Any sewer line or lines connecting the inside sanitary facilities to the septic tank shall be carefully constructed of approved materials, and all joints in the line shall be carefully sealed and made watertight.

Section V  
Forbidden Contrivances, Devices or Practices

Unless otherwise provided by the Board of Supervisors, neither abandoned wells, nor drilled wells, nor drilled holes, nor any device, the use of which might pollute the underground streams shall be used in connection with or become a part of a sewage system.

Section VI  
Filing of Plans and Specifications

Prior to the issuance of a Building Permit for the commencement of construction or erection of any building to be intended to be used as a dwelling, or any structure to be provided with inside sanitary facilities, or prior to occupancy of any mobile unit intended to be used as a dwelling, plans and specifications of the proposed sanitary sewage disposal system to be incorporated with said dwelling or building shall be submitted to the Township Supervisors, or their duly designated agent, by the builder, owner or proposed occupier thereof, for their approval, which plans and specifications shall clearly disclose the details of the proposed sewage disposal system and all materials to be used therein. The Board of Supervisors may require such alterations to be made in the plans and specifications as it may seem advisable.

Section VII  
Necessity of Permit

In the event that such plans and specifications shall be approved by the Board of Supervisors or their duly designated agent as

originally presented or as revised by said Board, a permit shall be issued to the applicant upon the payment of a fee for the use of the Township in accordance with a Fee Schedule to be adopted by resolution of the Board of Supervisors upon the enactment of this Ordinance, or as such schedule may be amended by resolution of the Board of Supervisors. No. construction or installation of any proposed sanitary sewage system or any part thereof shall be commenced unless and until such permit shall have been obtained.

#### Section VIII Inspection Before Coverage

The Township Supervisors shall be notified by the holder of such permit before any coverage of the sewage disposal system and while the same is fully exposed, and an inspection shall be made by the Board of Supervisors, or their duly designated agent, to insure that the approved plans and specifications have been faithfully followed. No dwelling, whether mobile or immobile, shall be occupied until final approval of the sanitary sewage disposal system has been granted by the Board of Supervisors, or their duly designated agent. When percolation tests are required they shall be made according to the standards adopted by the Pennsylvania Department of Health, effective July 1, 1957, as amended.

#### Section IX Existing Sewage Systems

In the event that any existing sewage system, or any sewage system hereafter constructed, is not properly maintained and is per-

mitted to fill up and overflow onto the surrounding surface, or otherwise create a nuisance, the user of such system shall be deemed in violation of this Ordinance.

Section X  
Variance or Exception

If the Board of Supervisors are of the opinion that the requirements of this Ordinance would create an unreasonable hardship on the applicant, said Board of Supervisors may grant a special variance or exception to the requirements of this Ordinance provided the provisions of Sections VI, VII and VIII herein are fully complied with.

Section XI  
Severability

It is declared to be the intent of the Board of Supervisors that the provisions of this Ordinance are severable; that they are not essentially dependent upon each other, and that in the event any of them be judiciously declared invalid, the remaining provisions shall, whenever possible, be saved and retained as valid.

Section XII  
Penalty for Violation

Any person, partnership or corporation violating any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be subject to a fine of not less than Twenty-five (25.00) Dollars or more than Three Hundred (\$300.00) Dollars which may be enforced in the manner provided in the Second Class Township Code. It is further provided that every sixty (60)

days that a violation exists after notification by the Board of Supervisors or their duly designated agent, shall constitute a separate offense and be subject in all respects to the same penalty as the first offense, and separate proceedings may be instituted and separate penalties imposed for each such sixty (60) day period thereafter.

Section XIII  
Repealer

All resolutions, ordinances and parts of ordinance heretofore enacted, which are inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed as far as such inconsistency shall exist.

Section XIV  
Effective Date

This Ordinance shall become effective upon the publication thereof and adoption as required by law.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED this 28<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1962, by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of South Beaver, Beaver County, Pennsylvania.

Signed:

ATTEST:

Mrs. Tressa Hites  
Secretary

Fred Hites  
Milton Martin  
George R. Price  
South Beaver Township  
Board of Supervisors