

## ORDINANCE NO. 107

### **AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PENN, COUNTY OF BUTLER, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 35 GOVERNING CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF INDIVIDUAL SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS TO REQUIRE LOCATION AND PRESERVATION OF AN ALTERNATE SITE IN ADDITION TO THE PRIMARY SITE.**

BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Township of Penn, County of Butler, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania that the following Ordinance is adopted by the Board of Supervisors as follows:

WHEREAS, The Township of Penn, by Ordinance No. 35 enacted and effective June 6, 1961 adopted regulations for the construction, operation and maintenance of individual sewage- disposal systems; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Penn, in order to promote the public health, safety, morals and general welfare and assure provisions for adequate present and long term individual sewage- disposal systems hereby amends said Ordinance as hereinafter to require location and preservation of an alternate disposal site in addition to the primary site.

NOW THEREFORE, Ordinance No. 35 is hereby amended as section IV to provide as follows:

1. New Section 4.4.2

In addition to the requirements for a permit set forth hereinabove an approved alternate site must be located and verified by the Sewage Enforcement Officer. The alternate site must meet the following requirement:

4.4.3 Planning Stage

- A. Locate an area equal to or greater than the primary site;
- B. At least one test pit within 101 of the proposed alternate site perimeters must be dug;
- C. Soils and site must meet Act 537 standards as suitable for on.-lot sewage disposal systems;
- D. If the lot meets Department of Environmental Protection standards as "marginal" a percolation test must be conducted in addition to the pit test at the alternate site. The fee for such test shall be as established by resolution from time to time.

4.4.4 Permitting Stage (existing lots, repairs, approved lots)

- A. Locate an area equal to or greater than the primary site;
- B. At least one test pit within 10' of the proposed alternate site perimeters must be dug;
- C. Where no soils and site that meets Act 537 standards can be located, the test area, which most closely meets Act 537 standards, shall be designated the alternate site and shall be protected.

4.4.5.

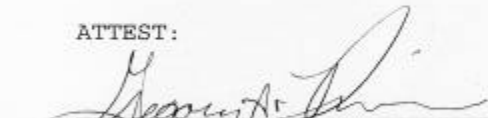
Within seven (7) days of completion of pit and percolation testing, the applicant shall clearly mark and protect both the primary and alternate sites. Both sites must remain undisturbed and unaltered until installation of the approved system at the primary site has commenced. Failure to protect and preserve the sites prior to construction of the system could result in the revocation of any issued permits and/or the nullification of any approved tests if in the opinion of the SHO, the performance of the proposed system is affected. During installation of the primary septic system and construction of the house, the approved alternate site will remain protected.

When final occupancy approval is given, any barriers surrounding the alternate site may be taken down. Although the alternate site should remain an undisturbed site indefinitely.

This amendment shall be effective the 2 day of

January, 1996.

ATTEST:

  
Township Secretary

PENN TOWNSHIP BOARD  
OF SUPERVISORS

