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PINE VALLEY BOROUGH  
ORDINANCE 2008-03

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING A 1994 ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF PINE VALLEY TO ESTABLISH A FIRE SAFETY PROGRAM AND ESTABLISH ENFORCEMENT, APPOINTMENT AND FEES UNDER THE UNIFORM FIRE SAFETY ACT

WHEREAS the Uniform Fire Safety Act, (P.L. 1983, c. 383) was enacted for the purpose of establishing a system for the enforcement of minimum fire safety standards throughout the state of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the Uniform Safety Act authorizes municipalities to provide for the local enforcement and to establish local enforcement agencies for that purpose; and

WHEREAS it is in the best interest of the Borough of Pine Valley to have the Uniform Fire Safety Act enforced locally; and

WHEREAS, all fire departments, fire companies and fire districts have agreed to the plan, which is set forth herein, for the administration and enforcement of the Uniform Fire Safety Code:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Commissioners of the Borough of Pine Valley, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, as follows

**SECTION 1. Enforcement**

- a. Pursuant to Section 11 of the Uniform Fire Safety Act (P.L. 1983, c.383), the New Jersey Uniform Fire Code shall be locally enforced in the Borough of Pine Valley.

**SECTION 2. Appointment of Fire Official**

- a. A Fire Safety Official, being fully certified and registered with the State of New Jersey shall be appointed by the Mayor and Commissioners each year at the Reorganization meeting.
- b. Fire Safety Officials must be in compliance with the Standards set forth by the State of New Jersey Division of Fire Safety. Failure to do so will result in removal.
- c. The Fire Safety Official shall be paid pursuant to the current salary ordinance.

**SECTION 3. Codes and Regulations**

- a. The local enforcement official shall enforce the Uniform Fire Safety Act and the codes and regulations adopted under it in all buildings, structures and premises within the established boundaries of Pine Valley, other than owner occupied one and two family dwellings, and shall faithfully comply with the requirements of the Uniform Fire Safety Act and Uniform Fire Code.
- b. The local enforcing official shall carry out periodic inspections of life hazard uses required by the Uniform Fire Code on the behalf of the Commissioner of Community Affairs.

#### SECTION 4. Grievances

Pursuant to Sections 15 and 17 of the Uniform Fire Safety Act, any person aggrieved by any order of the local enforcement official shall have the right to appeal that order to the Construction Board of Appeals of the County of Camden.

#### SECTION 5. Fees

- a. The fees for inspections under this ordinance shall be as set forth by the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, as follows:
  1. The application fee for a certificate of smoke detector and carbon monoxide alarm compliance (CSDCMAC), as required by N.J.A.C. 5:72-9(d), shall be based upon the amount of time remaining before the change of occupant is expected, as follows:
    - b. Requests for a CSDCMAC received more than 10 business days prior to the change of occupant: \$35.00
    - c. Requests for CSDCMAC received 4 to 10 business days prior to the change of occupant: \$70.00
    - d. Requests for a CSDCMAC received fewer than four business days prior to the change of occupant: \$125.00
  2. A municipality having a local enforcing official may establish, by ordinance, a different permit and certificate of smoke detector compliance fee schedule based on the actual cost anticipated or incurred for the enforcement of these Code provisions; provided, however, that the permit fee for the temporary use of a commercial farm building as a place of public assembly shall not exceed \$75.00.
  3. For Non-Life Hazard registrations and inspections, the fees will be pursuant to those established by the Uniform Fire Safety Act of New Jersey Department of Community Affairs.
    - a) Residential Buildings  
The inspection of residential buildings shall be once every 12 months.

#### SECTION 6..

All ordinance or parts of ordinance which are inconsistent with the provision hereof, are, to the extent of such inconsistencies, hereby repealed.

#### SECTION 7.

This ordinance shall take effect after final passage, adoption and publication in the manner prescribed by law.

I hereby certify the above to be a true and correct copy of an Ordinance introduced on first reading by the Mayor and Commissioners of the Borough of Pine Valley, County of Camden, State of New Jersey at a regular meeting held on Monday, April 28, 2008 and will be further considered for adoption after second reading and public hearing at a meeting scheduled for Monday, May 19, 2008 in the Pine Valley Municipal Building, 1 Club Road, Pine Valley, NJ.

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Pine Valley Borough