ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING FIRE MARSHAL PLAN REVIEW FEES

Section 1. Authority.

This ordinance is adopted pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §29-263, §29-292 and the State Fire Safety Code, as amended.

Section 2. Amendment to Code of Ordinances.

The Code of Ordinances of the Town of Bethlehem, Chapter 64. BUILDING CONSTRUCTION, is amended by adding a new Article II, FIRE MARSHAL and a new Section 64 -5 as follows:

“§64-5. Fire Marshal Plan Review Fees.

Pursuant to the State Fire Safety Code, the Bethlehem Fire Marshal is authorized to charge the following plan review fees, to be paid by the applicant to the Town of Bethlehem at the time of submission or resubmission of such plans, which fees shall be nonrefundable and in addition to any fees charged by the State of Connecticut.

Fire Marshal Plan Review Fees and other Fees:

A. Site Plan Reviews:
1. Buildings less than 5,000 SF $75.00
2. Buildings equal or greater than 5,000 SF $125.00
3. Resubmittal fee for previously rejected plans ½ base fee
4. Resubmittal fee for modified approved plans ⅓ base fee

B. Building Plan Reviews:
1. Building less than 2,000 SF $50.00
2. Building equal or greater than 2,000SF but less than 5,000 SF $250.00
3. Building equal to or greater than 5,000 SF $350.00
4. For each additional building using the same floor plan on same site $275.00
5. Resubmittal fee for previously rejected plans ½ base fee
6. Resubmittal fee for modified approved plans ⅓ base fee

C. Mechanical Plan Reviews:
1. Building less than 2,000 SF $50.00
2. Building equal or greater than 2,000SF but less than 5,000 SF $100.00
3. Building equal to or greater than 5,000 SF $200.00
4. Resubmittal fee for previously rejected plans ½ base fee
5. Resubmittal fee for modified approved plans ⅓ base fee
D. Fire Alarm Plan Review:
Square feet of area protected by alarm system:
1. Buildings less than 5,000 SF $150.00
2. Buildings equal or greater than 5,000 SF $275.00
3. Resubmittal fee for previously rejected plans ½ base fee
4. Resubmittal fee for modified approved plans 1/3 base fee

E. Fire Protection Systems and Equipment Plan Review:
Sprinklers (area protected in square feet):
1. Up to 12,000 SF $275.00
2. Over 12,000 SF $350.00

F. Sprinkler Modifications:
1. 1-100 heads $175.00
2. Over 100 Heads $275.00

G. Standpipes $150.00

H. Fire Pumps:
1. Each pump $300.00
2. Resubmittal fee for previously rejected plans ½ base fee
3. Resubmittal fee for modified approved plans 1/3 base fee

I. Automatic Hood Systems:
1. Each hood $100.00
2. Resubmittal fee for previously rejected plans ½ base fee
3. Resubmittal fee for modified approved plans 1/3 base fee

These fees shall apply to plans submitted or resubmitted and to inspections requested or conducted on or after the effective date of this ordinance.”

Section 3. Effective Date.

This ordinance shall take effect fifteen (15) days after publication of a summary of its provisions pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes, Section 7-157(b).

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