Ordinance # 48

An Ordinance of the Council of the Borough of Seven Fields providing residential and commercial construction hours.

WHEREAS, both residential and commercial construction occurs throughout the area of the Borough of Seven Fields; and

WHEREAS, this construction is often located in or contiguous to residential areas; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council believes that it is in the best interest of the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of the Borough of Seven Fields that restrictions be placed on the hours during which construction, and types of construction, can be performed; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council believes that it is in the best interest of the residents of the Borough that certain hours be set when the peace and quiet of the Borough will not be disturbed by construction,

The following is hereby enacted and ordained by the Borough of Seven Fields Butler County:

Section I.

That no exterior or interior construction shall be performed between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. Monday through Saturday, and no exterior construction shall occur on Sundays.

Section II.

That interior construction and renovation work may be performed on Sundays if such work does not involve the operation of any excavating equipment, generators, or other equipment on the exterior or grounds of any construction site, and no equipment may be operated inside a structure unless said equipment cannot be heard on the exterior of the construction site. No construction activity may be conducted either on the exterior area of the construction, or in the interior, if that construction activity creates noise that can be clearly heard on adjoining residential properties. Interior construction may be performed only between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. on Sundays.

Section III.

Residential home owners may perform interior or exterior work on their own residences between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. on Sundays.

Section IV.

Nothing in this ordinance is to restrict emergency repairs that are necessitated because of damage to a residential or commercial structure because of fire, flood, storm, or similar calamity. Said emergency repairs are to be completed as quickly as possible. Permanent repairs are to be performed during the hours as set forth in this ordinance.

Section V.

The Borough Council, the Borough Solicitor, or any officer or employee of the Borough, or any police officer, is hereby authorized to give written notice, by personal service or by United States Mail, or by citation, to the person or persons violating the provisions of this ordinance.

Section VI.

Any person or persons who shall violate or fail, neglect or refuse to comply with any of the provisions of this ordinance shall, upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to a fine of not more than Three Hundred ($300.00) Dollars, and in default of payment of such fine, imprisonment for a term not to exceed ninety (90) days, provided that each day's violation shall constitute a separate offense; and notice to the offender shall not be necessary in order to constitute an offense.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Council of the Borough of Seven Fields this 26th day of JUNE, 1995.

ATTEST:

Christine Wells
Secretary

BOROUGH OF SEVEN FIELDS

Paul A. Morris
President

REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY ME this 26th day of June, 1995.

Elizabeth O. Bruynone
Mayor

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