

ORDINANCE NO. 2008-04

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BETHEL, BERKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, REVISING AND AMENDING THE BETHEL TOWNSHIP SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE OF 2006 BY PROVIDING; THAT STORM WATER MANAGEMENT PLANS SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BETHEL TOWNSHIP STORM WATER MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE, AS AMENDED; THAT NEW STREET NAMES SHALL BE APPROVED BY THE LOCAL POSTAL DISTRICT, AS WELL AS BERKS COUNTY-WIDE COMMUNICATIONS; AND ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS FOR STREET IMPROVEMENTS**

**WHEREAS**, on July 19, 1999, the Bethel Township Board of Supervisors enacted Ordinance 1999-3, known as the “Bethel Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance” (hereinafter sometimes “SALDO”);

**WHEREAS**, on August 31, 2005, the Bethel Township Board of Supervisors enacted Ordinance 2005-05 amending the SALDO to provide for review by the Township Solicitor and other professionals;

**WHEREAS**, on June 5, 2006, the Bethel Township Board of Supervisors enacted Ordinance 2006-1, adopting a Park and Recreation Plan and making numerous amendments to the SALDO to conform to the Park and Recreational requirements of the Pennsylvania Second Class Township Code and the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code;

**WHEREAS**, on October 23, 2006, the SALDO was further amended by making numerous substantive and technical changes; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the intent of the Board of Supervisors that the SALDO be further amended by providing that Storm Water Management Plans shall be in accordance with the Bethel Township Storm Water Management Ordinance, by providing that new street names be approved by the local postal district as well as Berks County-Wide Communications and providing additional regulations for street improvements.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the above recitals which are incorporated herein by reference, the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Bethel, County of Berks, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania therefore enacts and ordains the following:

**Section 1. Revision to Section 5.07, Storm Water Management and Design Criteria**

Section 5.07 is hereby revised by deleting the language "Appendix-Storm Water Management Requirements, of this Ordinance", and replacing it with the language "Bethel Township Storm Water Management Ordinance, as amended."

**Section 2. Amendment to Section 5.11.C.6, Street Names**

Section 5.11.C.6 is hereby amended by adding the following language after "Berks County-Wide Communications;" "as well as the local postal district," and changing "Berks County-wide

**Section 3. Amendment to Section 5.11.C.8.c**

Communications" to "Berks County Department of Emergency Services, 911 coordinator."

The current language in the first sentence of Section 5.11.C.8.c is hereby deleted. The first sentence of Section 5.11.C.8.c is amended to read as follows: "The construction of all streets shall be based on current PennDOT approved Superpave calculations and specifications, but in no case shall the binder course be less than 4 inches or the wearing course be less than 1 ½ inches."

The remainder of Section 5.11.C.8.c shall remain unchanged.

**Section 4. Amendment to Section 5.11.C.8.d**

Section 5.11.C.8.d shall be amended to read as follows: "All work procedures for the paving of streets shall conform to the requirements of the latest edition of all applicable PennDOT manuals and publications, including but not limited to, PennDOT Publications 408, 242, 70 and 72M.

**Section 5. Amendment to Section 5.11.C.8.f**

Section 5.11.C.8.f shall be amended to read as follows: "For any non-residential subdivision or land development in which at least fifty (50) one-way Equivalent Single Axle Loads (EASLs)

will be generated in any given day of the week, the structural design of any roads shall be performed by an Engineer in accordance with current engineering standards. The design standards referred to herein, however, shall be the minimum standards utilized. In all cases, intersections of new roads, streets, driveways and access drives shall be constructed of reinforced cement, in accordance with PennDOT design standards, for a distance of at least seventy-five feet (75') ~~feet~~ in each direction along and for the full cartway width of the existing or proposed Township road from the point of intersection of the proposed road or access drive.

**Section 6. Ratification and Repeals**

All Ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed insofar, but only insofar, as the same are inconsistent herewith. Except for the modifications and/or enactments specifically stated in this Ordinance, all of the provisions of the Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance are hereby ratified and confirmed.

**Section 7. Severability**

The provisions of this Ordinance are severable and if any provision or part thereof shall be held invalid, unconstitutional or inapplicable to any person or circumstances, such invalidity, unconstitutionality or inapplicability shall not effect or impair the remaining provisions or parts thereof of this Ordinance.


**Section 8. Effective Date**

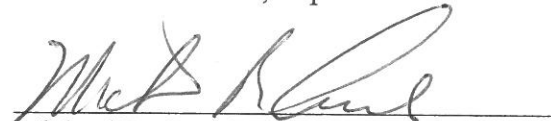
This Ordinance shall become effective five days after its adoption.

ORDAINED and ENACTED as an Ordinance by the Board of Supervisors of Bethel Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania, in lawful session duly assembled this 27 day of May, 2008.

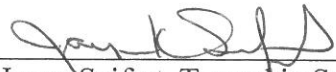
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