

The Mayor and Council of the Town of Townsend

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Introduced by:
Mayor Lobdell
Introduction on:
January 10th, 2024

ORDINANCE 2024-001

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 18.04.010 OF THE TOWN CODE TO FURTHER CLARIFY PERMITTING REQUIREMENTS

Mayor
Scott Lobdell

WHEREAS, the Town Code currently states that all new construction within the Town requires inspection prior to occupancy or use; and

Councilman
Joshua Mertz,
PhD

WHEREAS, the Town Code currently states that a fee shall be paid for all permits and inspections; and

Councilman
Joseph Bangura,
PhD

WHEREAS, Ordinance 08.02 adopted February 20, 2008, established a permitting fee for all items of new construction which require a permit; and

Councilman
Matthew
Chapman

WHEREAS, the Town Council wishes to clarify that said permits are required to be obtained prior to the start of construction and/or alteration.

Councilman
Marcus Suhr

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Town Council of the Town of Townsend, as follows:

SECTION 1: That Section 18.04.010 A. of the Code of Ordinances, Town of Townsend, Delaware is hereby amended to read as follows:

Permitting and Inspection of Construction Activities.

A listing of required permits in accordance with the ICC Code is provided at Townsend Town Hall and on the Town website.

Any owner or authorized agent who intends to construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, place, demolish, or change the occupancy of a building, ~~or~~ structure, or other item listed in the reference, ~~including but not limited to homes, commercial buildings, garages, sheds, fences, decks, patios and additions, or to cause any such work to be done~~, shall first make application to the building official and obtain the required permit in accordance with the ICC Code. In addition to timely obtaining the required permit, an inspection or inspections conducted by officials of the town or its designee shall be required of all new construction enlargement, alteration, repair, movement,

Town Manager
Antonina Tantillo,
MPA,

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placement, demolition, or change in the occupancy of a building or structure; prior to any occupancy or use of the building or structure.

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SECTION 2: If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 3: In the event any existing Ordinances or parts of Ordinances are in conflict herewith, the provisions of this Ordinance shall control.

SECTION 4: This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage.

Adopted by at least a majority of the Council members of the Town of Townsend on this ____ day of _____, 2024.

- Introduction
- Public Hearing
- Final Reading
- Adoption

Signed By

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Mayor
Town of Townsend, Delaware

Attest: _____
Town Clerk