

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the East Rockhill Township Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing on April 19, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. to receive public comment and to consider and possibly adopt an ordinance, of which this notice is a summary, amending the Township of East Rockhill Code of Ordinances by adding a new Part 10 in Chapter 5, Code Enforcement, titled Certain Licenses Required establishing regulations for plumbers and requiring plumbers to be licensed by the Township and registered with the State prior to performing plumbing services within East Rockhill Township. The Board's public hearing on this ordinance is scheduled for April 19, 2011, at 7:00 p.m., at the East Rockhill Township Building, 1622 Ridge Road, Perkasio, PA 18944. Copies of the full text of the ordinance are available at the Township office, the Bucks County Law Library, and the office of this newspaper during normal business hours. All interested parties are invited to attend this public hearing and meeting.

EAST ROCKHILL TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
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ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF EAST ROCKHILL TOWNSHIP AMENDING CHAPTER 5, CODE ENFORCEMENT, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF EAST ROCKHILL TOWNSHIP BY ADDING PART 10, CERTAIN LICENSES REQUIRED.

WHEREAS, the Township of East Rockhill is empowered to ensure the public safety pursuant to the Second Class Township Code, 53 P.S. §65101 *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, the Township of East Rockhill is empowered to require and/or issue plumbing licenses and registrations for all individuals providing plumbing services within East Rockhill Township pursuant to the International Plumbing Code and/or the provisions of the previously adopted BOCA National Plumbing Code that have been saved from repeal when adopting the Pennsylvania Uniform Construction Code; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of East Rockhill Township has determined that plumbing contractors should be required to be licensed and registered with the Township in order to protect the health, safety and welfare of the Township's inhabitants and to help ensure residents receive quality plumbing services from such contractors operating within the Township; and

WHEREAS, it is the purpose and scope of this Ordinance to provide regulations that govern the registration and licensing of individuals providing plumbing services within the Township of East Rockhill pursuant to the applicable International Plumbing Code, as adopted through the Pennsylvania Uniform Construction Code ("UCC") and/or the provisions of the previously adopted BOCA National Plumbing Code that have not been repealed and are still in effect.

NOW, THEREFORE, the East Rockhill Township Board of Supervisors, pursuant to Pennsylvania law, hereby *ENACTS* and *ORDAINS* the following Ordinance amending Chapter 5 of the East Rockhill Township Code of Ordinances by adding Part 10, Certain Licenses Required, as follows:

ARTICLE I.

Chapter 5, Code Enforcement, of the Code of Ordinances of East Rockhill Township is hereby amended by the addition of the following Part 10, Certain Licenses Required:

PART 10

CERTAIN LICENSES REQUIRED

§5-1001. License and Fee Required for Plumbers Working Within the Township.

1. No plumbing contractor and/or individual offering plumbing services to others and/or the general public shall be allowed to perform plumbing services within East Rockhill Township or be issued a permit to conduct such plumbing services without first providing the Township of East Rockhill a copy of his/her current professional plumbing license from an accepted testing authority and proof of his/her registration with the State of Pennsylvania, in accordance with the applicable professional codes, including, but not limited to, the International Plumbing Code, as amended and adopted through the UCC, and the provisions of the previously adopted BOCA National Plumbing Code that have been saved from repeal and that are still in effect.
2. All plumbing contractors and/or individuals offering plumbing services to others and/or the general public within East Rockhill Township shall be required to register with and receive a license from the Township of East Rockhill on an annual basis, and be required to pay an annual fee related thereto, as set by the Township's Fee Schedule Resolution. Plumbing contractors and/or individuals offering plumbing services to others and/or the general public that fail to pay the requisite fee and properly register with and receive a license from the Township shall be prohibited from performing plumbing services within East Rockhill Township in accordance with the applicable professional codes set forth herein.
3. Every plumbing license issued by the Township shall be for a period ending on the thirty-first (31st) day of the next December following the issuance of the license, and shall not be transferable. The following shall be required of the plumber applicant prior to the Township issuing the requisite license:
 - A. Copy of a professional plumbing license from a Township accepted testing authority and proof of registration with the State of Pennsylvania;
 - B. Acceptable insurance coverage; and,
 - C. Any additional information the Township may require.

ARTICLE II. SEVERABILITY.

The provisions of this Ordinance are severable and if any section, subsection, clause, sentence, or parts thereof shall be held or declared illegal, invalid, or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, the decision shall not affect or impair any of the remaining sections, subsections, clauses, sentences, or parts thereof, of this ordinance, and it is hereby declared to be the intent of Township Board of Supervisors that this ordinance would have been adopted if such illegal, invalid, or unconstitutional section, subsection, clause, sentence or part thereof had not been included herein.

ARTICLE III. REPEALER.

Any and all existing ordinances that are inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent that they are inconsistent with the terms of this amendment.

ARTICLE IV. ENACTMENT.

This Ordinance shall become effective five (5) days after enactment.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Board of Supervisors this 19th day of April, A.D., 2011.

EAST ROCKHILL TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

John R. Cressman

Gary W. Volovnik

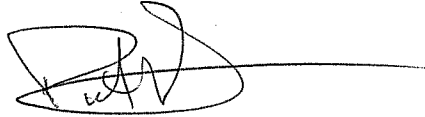
James C. Nietupski

ATTEST:

Township Manager

ATTEST:

I do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of the proposed Plumbing License Ordinance of East Rockhill Township that is being advertised for enactment by the East Rockhill Township Board of Supervisors on April 19, 2011.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P. M. Armstrong', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized and somewhat cursive.

Patrick M. Armstrong, Esquire