ORDINANCE NO. 93-10

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HOPEWELL, BEAVER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA AMENDING FIRE PREVENTION ORDINANCE 79-2, ARTICLES I AND II, OUTDOOR BURNING AND ADOPTION OF STANDARDS, SECTION 81-6 AND 81-8 AS SET FORTH IN CHAPTER 81 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE.

WHEREAS, the Township Board of Commissioners have unanimously agreed that the Township Code be amended with respect to the fire code.

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of Commissioners of Hopewell Township, Beaver County, Pennsylvania and it is hereby ordained and enacted.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Hopewell Township Fire Prevention Ordinance No. 79-2, Articles I and II, Outdoor Burning, Section 81-6 and Adoption of Standards, Section 81-8, is hereby amended to read as follows:

81-6 OUTDOOR BURNING

A. No outdoor fire/burning of any nature or for any purpose shall be kindled or maintained in the Township of Hopewell except as listed in the following subsections:

(i) An outdoor fire may be maintained if done so pursuant to a permit from the Department of Environmental Resources; any such fire shall only be maintained within the strict confines of said permit;

(ii) An outdoor fire may be kindled and maintained for cooking purposes so long as said fire is maintained only for cooking purposes.

B. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the Fire Marshall may prohibit any or all outdoor fires when atmospheric conditions or local circumstances make such fire hazardous.

81-8 ADOPTION OF STANDARDS

A. The BOCA Basic Fire Prevention Rules and Regulations as set forth in the BOCA Basic Fire Prevention Code/1993 are hereby adopted by reference thereto as the rules and regulations pertaining to fire prevention and regulation within the Township of Hopewell, and said rules and regulations as set forth in said code,

except such portions thereof as are hereinafter deleted, modified or amended by §81-8(a) of this Article, are incorporated herein by reference thereto.

81-8(a) AMENDMENTS

The standard code hereby adopted is amended and changed in the following respects:

C. SECTION F-101.1 TITLE

These regulations shall be known as the Fire Prevention Code of the Township of Hopewell, Pennsylvania, hereinafter referred to as "this code."

D. SECTION F-113.2 MEMBERSHIP OF BOARD

The board of appeals shall consist of three members appointed by the elected officials as follows: One for three years, one for two years, and one for one year. Thereafter, each new member shall serve for three years or until a successor has been appointed at the discretion of the elected board.

E. SECTION F-113.2.2 ALTERNATE MEMBERS

The chief appointing authority shall appoint two alternate members who shall be called by the board chairman to hear appeals during the absence or disqualification of a member. Alternate members shall serve at the discretion of the elected board and shall be appointed for three years or until a successor has been appointed by the elected municipal officials.

F. SECTION F-113.5 QUORUM

A quorum shall be considered three members present at any given hearing.

G. SECTION F-113.6 BOARD DECISION

The board shall modify, reverse or uphold the decision of the code official by a majority vote of the members present.

H. SECTION F-113.6.1 DECISION

The decision the board shall be made to the appellate, code official, and the elected officials by certified copies.

I. SECTION F-113.7 COURT REVIEW

Any person, whether or not a previous party of the appeal, shall have the right to apply to the appropriate court for a writ of certiorari to correct errors of law. Application for review shall be made within 30 days of the rendering of the certified decision from the board to the court of appropriate jurisdiction.

J. SECTION F-310.1 ABATEMENT OF ELECTRICAL HAZARDS

All identified electrical hazards shall be abated. All identified hazardous electrical conditions in permanent wiring shall be brought to the attention of the building code official or his designated representative for appropriate abatement.

Adopted this 30 day of DECEMBER, 1993.

Manager/Secretary

Acting President Township Board of Commissioners