

**ORDINANCE NO. 99-5**

**HOWE TOWNSHIP, FOREST COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**BUILDING PERMIT  
AMENDMENT ORDINANCE**

**THIS ORDINANCE** repeals Howe Township Ordinances Nos. 75-1, 87-2, 93-3 and Amendments Nos. 11-19-79, 2-13-85, and 98-1 along with any other Howe Township Building Permit Ordinance, Amendment thereto or Resolution not specifically named herein and ratifies and amends Howe Township Ordinance No. 85-1 such that the entire body of Township law on the subject of building permits shall be comprised of Howe Township Ordinance No. 85-1 and this Amendment.

**ARTICLE I.** The title of Howe Township Ordinance 85-1 is deleted and retitled as follows:  
BUILDING PERMIT ORDINANCE.

**ARTICLE II.**

Section 1.01 "Applicability" of Howe Township Ordinance No. 85-1 is amended by deleting the existing text and replacing it with the following text:

A. It shall be unlawful for any person, partnership, business or corporation to undertake or cause to be undertaken any construction or development of any structure, to include any building, house, storage shed (of any size), picnic shelter, porch, deck, garage, outbuilding, or any other structure or to undertake or cause to be undertaken any alteration of the basic structure anywhere within Howe Township, Forest County, Pennsylvania, unless a building permit has been obtained from the building permit officer.

B. A building permit shall not be required for minor repairs to existing buildings or structures.

**ARTICLE III.**

Section 2.08 "Fees" of Howe Township Ordinance No. 85-1 is amended by deleting the existing text and replacing it with the following text:

Applications for a building permit shall be accompanied by a:

--\$20 fee if the building permit application is submitted at the Howe Township Municipal Building.

--\$25 fee if the building permit application is submitted via the mail, and a

--\$50 fee if the person or other entity undertaking the building or construction causes the building or construction to be undertaken prior to the issuance of a permit and placard.

All fees shall be payable to Howe Township.

**ARTICLE V.**

Section 4.01 "Design and Construction Standards, Part G, Placement of Buildings and Structures" of Howe Township Ordinance 85-1 is amended to add the following language:

Any new structure (or addition to an existing structure) built or constructed after the adoption of this Amendment must be not less than 10 feet at its closest point from the boundary of the parcel upon which it stands unless signed and notarized written permission from the adjacent landowner is attached to the building permit application.

This Ordinance shall take effect five days after the date of its adoption.

**ADOPTED** by the Supervisors of Howe Township, Forest County, Pennsylvania this 9<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1999.

**ATTEST: (SEAL)**

Marjorie E. Villarreal  
Secretary

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