

HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP

BEAVER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

RESOLUTION NO. 00-114

A RESOLUTION OF HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP, BEAVER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, ESTABLISHING AN APPLICATION PROCEDURE FOR CERTIFICATION OF SANITARY SEWER STATUS PRIOR TO THE SALE OF REAL ESTATE SERVED BY PUBLIC SEWERS AND WITHIN THE SERVICE AREA OF THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITIES OF HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP, AND APPROVING FORMS FOR SAID APPLICATIONS AND INSPECTIONS FOR RESALE, AND ADOPTING REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES REGARDING SAME.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Hopewell Township, Beaver County, Pennsylvania, and the Authority of the same as follows:

SECTION 101. APPLICATION

A Form of Application is hereby established and is attached hereto.

SECTION 102. FORMS

The following Forms for said Applications and Inspections for Resale, and Regulations and Procedures regarding same, which are attached hereto and made part of this Resolution, are hereby approved:

- A. REGULATIONS FOR DOCUMENT OF CERTIFICATION
- B. APPLICATION FOR DOCUMENT OF CERTIFICATION
- C. AGREEMENT – TEMPORARY DOCUMENT OF CERTIFICATION WEATHER AND/OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES
- D. AGREEMENT – TEMPORARY DOCUMENT OF CERTIFICATION PRACTICAL HARDSHIP
- E. NEWS RELEASE
- F. SUSPECTED NON-RESALE INFILTRATION VIOLATION PROCEDURE

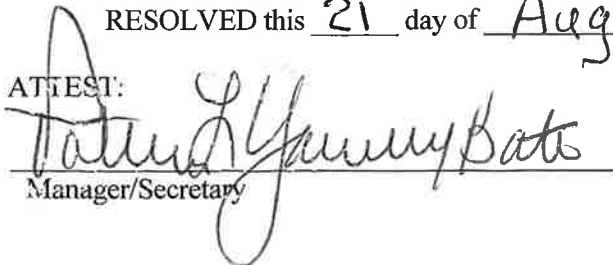
The proper Hopewell Township officials are hereby directed to immediately commence using the Forms, which are part of this Resolution.

SECTION 103.

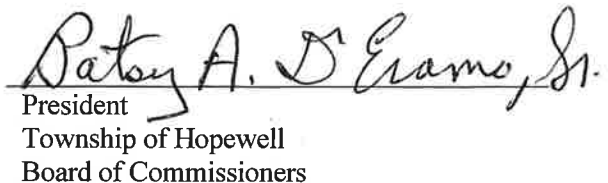
The effective date of this Resolution shall be the 21 day of August, 2000.

RESOLVED this 21 day of August, 2000.

ATTEST:



Manager/Secretary



President
Township of Hopewell
Board of Commissioners

(SEAL)

HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP

REGULATIONS FOR DOCUMENTS OF CERTIFICATION

1. Application must be made at least thirty (30) days prior to settlement date.
2. Security for Temporary Document of Certification, if applicable, must be cash, money order or company check.
3. Temporary Document of Certification may only be requested due to weather conditions between November 15 and April 1, as conditions warrant.
4. Applications for Temporary Document of Certification MUST include an agreement signed by both purchaser and seller accompanied by Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) cash, money order or company check, assuring that the test will be completed when weather permits and that any deficiencies discovered will be corrected.
 - A. In cases where it is determined by Hopewell Township that it is unable to complete the certification process prior to a scheduled closing between a purchaser and a seller, the purchaser may apply for a Temporary Document of Certification upon the written agreement, to escrow from the real estate closing, the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) in favor of Hopewell Township, which funds are to be used to conduct the required testing and to correct any deficiencies and/or all violations found by Hopewell Township upon inspection.
5. When an illegal connection or defective lateral has been discovered and the necessary remedial activities to correct such connection would require a length of time to create a practical hardship for the applicant, the applicant may apply to Hopewell Township for a Temporary Document of Certification which may only be issued when the applicant provides Hopewell Township with all of the following:
 - A. A bona fide executed Contract between the applicant and a registered, licensed plumber to complete the necessary remedial work with Hopewell Township listed therein as a third party beneficiary;
 - B. Cash security in the amount of said Contract posted with Hopewell Township; and
 - C. An agreement by the purchaser to be responsible for all cost overruns related to the remedial work, together with a license to Hopewell Township to enter upon the property to complete work in case of default by the Contractor.
 - D. Temporary Document of Certification shall expire after six (6) months form date of issue, at which time the security shall be forfeited and Hopewell Township may use the security to complete the necessary remedial work.
6. Plumbers Certificates and Documents of Certification are valid for one (1) year from date of issue. Hopewell Township shall, however, have the right to perform additional testing at its expense during said one (1) year period.

7. **PLUMBER MUST BE REGISTERED AND LICENSED. ALL TESTING MUST BE DONE BY THE HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP REPRESENTATIVE.**
8. Testing may include, but not necessarily be limited to, any of the following, Hopewell Township having the right to require additional testing if the original testing is inconclusive:
 - A. Dye-testing at each downspout and area drain.
 - B. Dye-testing foundation drains by flooding or injection.
 - C. Smoke-testing public sewer and sewer lateral to the house trap.
 - D. Smoke-testing building drain on house side of trap.
 - E. Air-testing lateral.
 - F. Hydrostatic testing lateral.
 - G. Televising of main sewer and/or lateral sewer during periods of saturated ground and/or precipitation.
 - H. All testing shall be on a pass-fail basis with Hopewell Township having the right to reject any tests or test results which it feels are inconclusive or inaccurate.
9. The sewerage system shall be retested after any corrective action has been taken to demonstrate that the illegal connection/defect has been eliminated/repaired.

HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP

No. _____

APPLICATION FOR DOCUMENT OF CERTIFICATION

Date: _____

Current Owner: _____

Phone Number: _____

Pursuant to Ordinance No. 2000-1 of Hopewell Township you are hereby notified to acquire a Certification of Sanitary Sewer Status prior to any sale of real estate. No property served by public sewers within the service area of the wastewater treatment facilities of Hopewell Township shall be sold or conveyed without first obtaining a Document of Certification or Temporary Document of Certification from the offices of Hopewell Township.

COSTS

Tests: (Dye Testing/Smoke Testing)

- 1. Downspouts
- 2. Area Wells-Area Ways
- 3. Foundation Drain-Flooding or Injection
- 4. Lateral Injection

Cost: \$300.00

Paid Cash _____

Paid Check # _____

The applicant is responsible for the cost of a Master Plumber.

IN THE EVENT THERE IS CAUSE TO HAVE THE EXISTING LATERAL LOCATED WITH ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT DUE TO THE LACK OF SEWER TRAPS AT THE HOUSE AND INSPECTION STACKS AS PRESENTLY REQUIRED BY HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP, SAID WORK WILL BE DONE ON A COST AT THE RATE OF \$60.00 PER HOUR PLUS BASIS AND BE BILLED TO THE OWNER.

Signature of Applicant

Hopewell Township Representative