

Ordinance 2014-06-003
ORDINANCE

Of
THE TOWNSHIP OF LUMBERTON, IN
THE COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, NEW JERSEY
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE
“REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LUMBERTON, 1973,”
CHAPTER SEVENTEEN BY PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO

THE
FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION ORDINANCE.

WHEREAS, As a result of the previous flooding within the township regarding past flood events in 2004, 2007, 2011 and 2014 wherein residents had to undertake, rehabilitate, repair and renovate homes that were damaged by said floods;

WHEREAS, the financial impact to the residents caused by flood waters causes significant impact financially to the residents in flood prone areas;

WHEREAS, past flooding events has shown a change in what was considered a safe area in flood prone areas of the township based on previous flood zone mapping and guidance.

WHEREAS, properties in the township have been declared substantially damaged from past floods.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the township committee of the Township of Lumberton, County of Burlington and State of New Jersey as follows:

Article 1. Elevation/ Improvements of residences in Flood prone areas

The township committee hereby orders that all residents which need to mitigate properties within the township flood plain must adhere to the follow criteria when mitigating their properties.

*All structures must be two feet above flood elevation as indicated on the 2010 preliminary flood maps or most recent advisory flood elevation; whichever is greater in elevation.

*All construction must meet state flood plain regulations for the dwelling and supporting mechanicals.


Article 2. Residences of Severe Repetitive Loss/Substantially Damaged

Residences considered having suffered Severe Repetitive Loss and have been declared Substantially Damaged need to be mitigated. During the process of mitigating their respective properties residents will receive a temporary certificate of occupancy which will expire on a date specified by the township construction official. During this time period a resident's home must be mitigated to prevent from future loss. If a property is not mitigated within the allotted time frame a resident may petition the township for an extension provided he/she has taken the steps to move forward in the mitigation process. At no point in time is the township financially responsible for the mitigation of private property located in the flood plain.

Introduced June 18, 2014

Adopted August 19, 2014

Attest:


Stephanie N. Yurko, RMC/CMR
Municipal Clerk


Lewis K. Jackson, Mayor