

TOWNSHIP OF ALMONT  
GEOTHERMAL DRAINAGE ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE NO. 44

An ordinance to regulate the drainage of water occasioned by the installation of geothermal heat pumps.

THE TOWNSHIP OF ALMONT ORDAINS:


Section 1.           GEOTHERMAL HEAT PUMPS. It is recognized that certain residential structures in the Township are being equipped with geothermal heat pumps. It is further recognized that geothermal heat pumps use substantial amounts of water which, if not properly drained, can cause excess wetness or flooding on nearby properties, resulting in undesirable conditions.

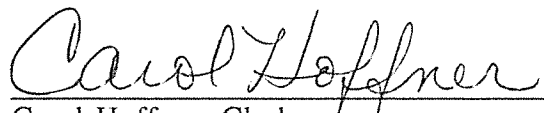
Section 2.           DRAINAGE. Owners of structures within the Township equipped with geothermal heat pumps must install a closed loop system that recirculates geothermal heat pump water rather than discharge the water.

Section 3.           LIABILITY. Owners of geothermal heat pump systems shall be liable for any damage caused by drainage of water from their systems.

Section 4.           PENALTY. Violation of this Ordinance shall be a misdemeanor which shall be punishable upon conviction thereof by a fine not to exceed Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars and/or by imprisonment not to exceed ten (10) days.

The undersigned Supervisor and Clerk of the Township of Almont hereby certify that this Ordinance was duly adopted by the Almont Township Board at a meeting held on the 11th day of September, 1995 and was published in the Tri-City Times on the 20th day of September, 1995. This Ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after said date of publication.

  
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LeVern Tucker, Supervisor

  
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Carol Hoffner, Clerk