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ORDINANCE
REGULATING
OUTDOOR WOOD-FIRED FURNANCES

The Town Board of the Town of Jefferson, Jefferson County, Wisconsin, does hereby ordain as follows:

SECTION 1: DEFINITIONS: Outdoor wood-fired furnaces are defined as outdoor wood-fired furnaces or boilers or other receptacles used to burn wood and heat homes or buildings. Outdoor wood-fired furnaces are designed to maintain fire over long periods of time and to operate at low temperatures when not heating.

SECTION 2: PROHIBITED CONDUCT: An outdoor wood-fired furnace may be installed and used in the Town of Jefferson only in accordance with the following provisions:

1. Outdoor wood-fired furnaces are prohibited in all subdivisions.
2. The outdoor wood-fired furnace shall only use seasoned wood for burning. The outdoor wood-fired furnace shall not be used to burn any prohibited materials including rubbish or garbage, food wastes, food wraps, packaging, animal carcasses, paint or painted materials, furniture, composite shingles, construction or demolition debris or other household or business wastes, waste oil or other oily wastes, asphalt and products containing asphalt, tires, synthetic rubber-like products, newspaper, corrugated cardboard, container board, and office paper. The outdoor wood-fired furnace shall have a spark protector which shall be adequately maintained at all times.
3. The outdoor wood-fired furnace shall be located at least three hundred fifty (350) feet from the nearest building which is not on the same property as the outdoor wood-fired furnace.
4. The outdoor wood-fired furnace shall have a chimney that extends at least fifteen (15) feet above the ground surface. The chimney shall also extend at least as high above the ground surface as the height of the roofs of all residences within six hundred (600) feet. The Town Board may approve a lesser height on a case-by-case basis if necessary to comply with manufacturer's recommendations and if the smoke from the lower chimney height does not create a nuisance for neighbors.

ATTEST TO:

Bonnie L. Ames
Bonnie L. Ames, Clerk

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