

TOWN OF MORRIS
ORDINANCE 2023-02
(AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2021-02)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF MORRIS, ALABAMA, TO REQUIRE BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION PERMITS AND TO ESTABLISH FEES

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MORRIS, ALABAMA AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Town of Morris, Alabama, to state the requirements for establishing a fee schedule associated therewith:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of Morris, Alabama as follows:

I. SCHEDULE OF FEES FOR BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION PERMIT:

Prior to commencement of any project, work, construction, addition, repair, demolition, or excavation, plans for such, must be submitted to the town for review by the Town of Morris and Building Inspection Department. A permit shall be issued by the town at the office of the town clerk after approval of the plans in accordance with the plan approval procedures and payment of the applicable fees required by this Ordinance.

II. BUILDING PERMITS; SCHEDULE OF FEES:

For the purpose of determining the fee for the issuance of a building permit, the evaluations of the requested work shall be determined by bona fide signed contracts or other evidence of cost as submitted by the persons, firms, corporations requesting a building permit; however, in no event, shall the evaluation of the requested work be less than the average cost of construction as set out in the International Code Council Building Evaluation Data published, as revised, published bi-monthly beginning in March 2003.

COMMERCIAL / NON-RESIDENTIAL:

- \$7.00 per \$1,000.00 plus \$25.00 issuance fee
- Minimum permit fee: \$50.00
- Erosion Control Permit \$50.00
- Re-inspection - 1st time is \$40.00, 2nd time is \$50.00, all additional inspections are \$75.00

RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION (per Section X):

- \$7.00 per \$1,000.00 plus \$25.00 issuance fee
- Erosion Control Permit - \$50.00
- Re-inspection - 1st time is \$40.00, 2nd time is \$50.00, all additional inspections are \$75.00

DEMOLITION PERMIT, SIGN PERMIT, MOVING A STRUCTURE:

- \$7.00 per \$1,000.00 per Section X, plus \$25.00 issuance fee
- Minimum permit fee: \$50.00
- Erosion Control Permit \$50.00

ELECTRICAL:

- \$25.00 issuance fee
- Temporary power - \$15.00
- New Residential - \$75.00, plus \$25.00 per each 100 amperes
- Existing Residential - \$50.00, plus \$25.00 per each 100 amperes
- Residential Complete Re-Wiring - \$75.00, plus \$10.00 per each additional circuit
- Sign Fee - \$50.00
- Swimming Pools - \$50.00 per pool installed

- New Electrical Commercial - \$400.00 for 1-10 fixtures; \$10.00 for each additional fixture plus \$100.00 per 100 amperes
- Existing Electrical Commercial - \$100.00 for 1-5 fixtures; \$10.00 for each additional fixture per 100, plus \$100.00 per 100 amperes
- Re-inspection_– 1st time is \$40.00, 2nd time is \$50.00, all additional inspections are \$75.00 each
- Commercial complete rewiring with no service change \$300.00

MECHANICAL:

- \$7.00 per \$1,000.00 plus \$25.00 issuance fee

WATERPROOF:

- \$35.00 inspection fee plus \$25.00 issuance fee

INSULATION:

- \$35.00 inspection fee plus \$25.00 issuance fee

ROOFING:

- \$35.00 inspection fee plus \$25.00 issuance fee
- Residential Repair \$50.00 plus \$25.00 issuance fee
- Commercial Repair \$50.00 plus \$25.00 issuance fee
- Re-roof Commercial and Residential \$7.00 per \$1000.00 plus \$25.00 issuance fee

PLUMBING (per Section X):

- \$25.00 issuance fee
- New Residential - \$50.00 for 1-20 fixtures; \$5.00 for each additional fixture.
- Existing Residential - \$20.00 for 1-5 fixtures; \$5.00 for each additional fixture.
- New Commercial - \$200.00 for 1-20 fixtures; \$10.00 for each additional fixture.
- Existing Commercial - \$100.00 for 1-5 fixtures; \$10.00 for each additional fixture.
- Re-inspection fees – 1st time is \$40.00, 2nd time is \$50.00, all additional inspections are \$75.00 each

III. WORK WITHOUT A PERMIT:

When a permit is required, and work has started or proceeded with prior to obtaining said permit, the fees identified herein shall be doubled. After such permit has been issued to any person or company, and such person or company begins work on any other project for which a permit is required without first obtaining a permit, the following charges shall apply:

First offense	Double permit
Second offense	\$100.00 plus Double permit
Third offense	\$250.00 plus Double permit
Fourth offense	\$500.00 plus Double permit
Fifth offense	\$500.00 plus double permit plus revocation of business license

When there are not permit violations for a period of one year, after the last offense, the next violation shall be considered the first.

IV. EXPIRATION OF PERMITS:

Any permit under which no construction work has been performed within six months from date of issuance, or where work authorized by such permit is suspended or abandoned for a period of six months after the time the work commenced, shall expire by limitation.

V. DEMOLITION PERMIT:

Proof of compliance with the Jefferson County Health Department regulations for proper abandonment of any septic tank shall be required, when applicable or sanitary sewers capped, and all utility services shall be disconnected prior to commencement of demolition.

VI. MANUFACTURED HOME & CONSTRUCTION TRAILERS:

There shall be a fee of \$125.00 for mobile homes, house trailers or construction trailers moved into a mobile home park, or onto a construction site.

VII. ENFORCEMENT:

Violation of this article shall be punishable by fine not to exceed \$500.00. Said penalty shall be in addition to any and all other actions, remedies or means of enforcing compliance with municipal ordinances provided by law.

VIII. SEVERABILITY:

If any part, section, or subdivision of this ordinance shall be held unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such holding shall not be construed to invalidate or impair the remainder of this ordinance, which shall continue in full force and effect, notwithstanding such holding.

1. The provisions of this ordinance are severable. If any provision is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, it shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of the remaining provisions.
2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

XI. EFFECTIVE DATE:

That this Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the Town Council or by its otherwise becoming a law.

ADOPTED and APPROVED this the 9th day of May, 2023.

TOWN OF MORRIS:

Joe Plant
Mayor

Christy Robbins
Town Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, Christy Robbins, hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of an ordinance that was adopted at the meeting held on May 9, 2023.

Christy Robbins
Christy Robbins, Town Clerk