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ORDINANCE FOR FLOOD HAZARD AREA FOR TOWN OF LAPEL

With new Flood Insurance Rate Maps becoming effective on June 9, 2014, some revisions to the Ordinance is needed. The revisions will cover the June 9, 2014 maps as well as any future updates, amendments or revisions prepared by the Federal Emergency Management Agency with the most recent date.

ARTICLE 2: Delete the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) Definition as follow:

Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) means those lands within the jurisdictions of the Town subject to inundation by the regulatory flood. The SFHAs of the Town are generally identified as such on the Madison County, Indiana Incorporated Area Flood Insurance Rate Map prepared by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, dated May 3rd, 2011. (These areas are shown on a HFBM or FIRM as Zone A, AE, A1-A30, AH, AR, A99 or AO).

and replace it with the following

Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) means those lands within the jurisdictions of the Town subject to inundation by the regulatory flood. The SFHAs of the Town of Lapel are generally identified as such on the Madison County, Indiana and Incorporate Areas Flood Insurance Rate Map dated June 9, 2014 as well as any future updates, amendments or revisions, prepared by the Federal Emergency Management Agency with the most recent date (These areas are shown on a FIRM as Zone A, AE, A1 - A30, AH, AR, A99 or AO).

ARTICLE 3, SECTION B: Delete the Basis for Establishing Regulatory Flood Data and replace it with the following:

(B) Basis for Establishing Regulatory Flood Data.

This ordinance's protection standard is the regulatory flood. The best available regulatory flood data is listed below.

- The regulatory flood elevation, floodway, and fringe limits for the studied SFHAs within the jurisdiction of the Town of Lapel shall be as delineated on the one-percent annual chance flood profiles in the Flood Insurance Study of Madison County, Indiana and Incorporated Areas dated June 9, 2014 and the corresponding Flood Insurance Rate Map dated June 9, 2014 as well as any future updates, amendments, or revisions, prepared by the Federal Emergency Management Agency with the most recent date.
- 2. The regulatory flood elevation, floodway, and fringe limits for each of the SFHAs within the jurisdiction of the Town, delineated as an "A Zone" on the Madison County, Indiana and Incorporated Areas Flood Insurance Rate Map dated June 9, 2014 as well as any future updates, amendments, or revisions, prepared by the Federal Emergency Management Agency with the most recent date, shall be according to the best data available as provided by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources; provided the upstream drainage area from the subject site is greater than one square mile. Whenever a party disagrees with the best available data, the party needs to replace existing data with better data that meets current engineering standards. To be considered, this data must be submitted to the Indiana Department of Natural Resources for review, subsequently approved.
- 3. In the absence of a published FEMA map, or absence of identification on a FEMA map, the regulatory flood elevation, floodway, and fringe limits of any watercourse in the community's known flood prone areas shall be according to the best data available as provided by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources; provided the upstream drainage area from the subject site is greater than one square mile.
- 4. Upon issuance of a Letter of Final Determination (LFD), any more restrictive data in the new (not yet effective) mapping/study shall be utilized for permitting and construction (development) purposes, replacing all previously effective less restrictive flood hazard data provided by FEMA.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall take effect on June 9, 2014.

Passed and Adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Lapel, Indiana this 20th day of March, 2014

Further Information

3-2014 Date Passed: 3/20/2014