

**COVINGTON TOWNSHIP**  
**LACKAWANNA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**ON-SITE SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM FEES**  
**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-05**

WHEREAS, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, of Covington Township, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania have adopted and from time to time have amended, under the authority granted by the Pennsylvania Second Class Township Code, the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code, and other State statutes, certain ordinances for the protection of the health, safety and general welfare of the residents and property owners of Covington Township, and;

WHEREAS, Said Ordinances adopted by the Board of Supervisors include the following:

Zoning Ordinance  
Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance  
Building Code Ordinance  
Lackawanna River Watershed Storm Water Management Ordinance  
Road Dedication Ordinance  
Highway Occupancy Permit Ordinance  
Sewage Facilities Act Enforcement Ordinance  
Ordinance Regulating Eating and Drinking Establishments  
Ordinance Regulating Peddler's Permits  
Ordinance Regulating Cell Towers  
Driveway Permits; and

WHEREAS, Each of said Ordinances establishes the authority for the Board of Supervisors to assess certain fees for the administration and enforcement of said Ordinances;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Covington Township, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania at a duly convened public meeting conducted on this 4<sup>th</sup> day of April 2023, that the following Wastewater Ordinance, On-Site Sewage Disposal System Permit fees (originally Section VI of Resolution 2022-05) are hereby established, shall supersede any and all previously established fees, and shall be assessed in accord with the following schedule:

## VI. WASTEWATER ORDINANCE

<b>ON-SITE SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM PERMITS</b>	
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>FEE</b>
Inspection of On-site Septic Systems Installations a) New System Installation – Residential (Category I) b) New System Installation – Multi-Family, Commercial Or Non-Institutional Use (Category II) c) New System Installation – Institutional (Schools, Churches, Hospitals) (Category III)	\$1320.00 \$1980.00 \$2200.00
Inspection of repairs or Alternation to or Replacement of Existing a) Category I Systems: -Drain field replacement or “substantial” addition -Treatment Tank (Septic or Aerobic) b) Category II Systems: -Drain field replacement or “substantial” addition -Treatment Tank (Septic or Aerobic) c) Category III Systems -Drain field replacement or “substantial” addition -Treatment Tank (Septic or Aerobic)	 \$440.00 \$330.00  \$770.00 \$880.00  \$770.00 \$880.00
Site Evaluation Fees a) Soil Probe Evaluation Includes two soil probe evaluations on the same day b) Additional Evaluations On same day as initial tests c) Percolation test d) Second Percolation test On same day as the first percolation test e) Second Percolation test f) When holes are not prepared properly, or as easily accessible, water supply is not available or insufficient, or additional testing is required or requested due to inadequate prior test results or due to increased drain field size.	\$440.00  \$55.00/test pit  \$880.00 \$110.00  \$275.00
Additional Soil Probe (two evaluations per application) per test	\$83.00
Minor Planning Module Review Fee (five lots or less)	\$94.00/hour
Major Planning Module Review Fee (six or more lots)	\$94.00/hour
Subdivision Plan Review	\$94.00/hour
Appeal from Denial or Granting of a Sewage Permit Plus estimate of costs associated with hearing including advertising, stenographer, engineering and consulting fees. Appellant to pay all costs actually incurred by Municipality directly to the Municipality.	\$94.00/hour
Issuing Permits (application and design review) a) Residential -Single Family -Multi-family b) Commercial	 \$176.00 \$220.00 \$110.00/hour

<p>Soil placement verification. Certifying with a qualified soil scientist hired by the applicant that good material soil has been added to a prescribed depth in a marked location in order that the area may be tested after a four (4) year waiting period to determine if it is suitable for on-lot sewage use. The drain field must be located in the same exact area. A new permit must be applied for new testing performed after the four-year interval., to ascertain if the replacement area is suitable for on-lot sewage.</p>	<p>\$1,100.00</p>
<p>Miscellaneous Fees  Administrative, review of repair designs, site visits, meetings, communications, verification of prior testing. Malfunction investigation, inspection of alternative systems and community systems, re-reviews, missed appointments, annual inspections, holding tanks, complaint investigations.</p>	<p>\$94.00/hour</p>


\*\*Fees do not include excavation of test or percolation holes, supplying gravel or water for percolation holes.


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AND NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Covington Township, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, that no permit nor certificate shall be issued, no approval shall be granted, no decision nor interpretation shall be rendered, and no inspection shall be conducted under the terms of the aforestated ordinances until such time as all fees have been paid by the applicant.

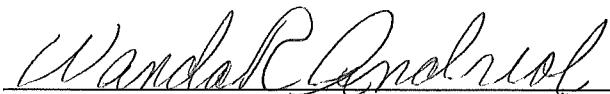
THIS RESOLUTION NUMBER 2023-05, DULY RESOLVED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Covington Township, Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania on this 4<sup>th</sup> day of April 2023, in lawful session duly assembled.

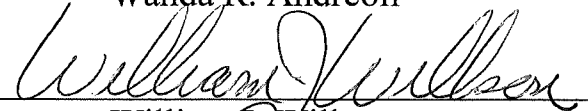
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Melissa A. Kearney~ Chairperson

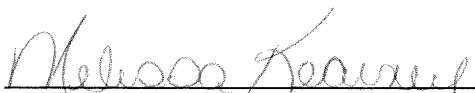
  
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Melissa Kearney, Secretary