

ORDINANCE NO. 3-2004

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF COALDALE  
ADOPTING THE UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE  
PURSUANT TO THE PENNSYLVANIA CONSTRUCTION CODE ACT**

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of this ordinance is to promote the general health safety and welfare of the residents of the Borough of Coaldale and to conform to the requirements of the Pennsylvania Construction Code Act and regulations to the Act promulgated by the Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry (hereinafter sometimes collectively referred to as the "Code"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Pennsylvania Construction Code Act requires the enactment of an appropriate ordinance by municipalities electing to administer and enforce the building code provisions of the Code.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED** by the Council of the Borough of Coaldale, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same as follows:

**I     ELECTION**

The Borough of Coaldale hereby elects to administer and enforce the provisions of the Pennsylvania Construction Code Act, Act 45 of 1999, as amended from time to time as well as the regulations promulgated thereunder.

## **II ADOPTION OF UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE**

The Uniform Construction Code, contained in 34 Pennsylvania Code, Chapters 401-405, as amended from time to time is hereby adopted and incorporated herein by reference as the municipal building code of the Borough of Coaldale.

## **III ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT**

Administration and enforcement of the Code within the Borough of Coaldale shall be undertaken in any of the following manners as determined by the Council of the Borough of Coaldale from time to time by resolution:

1. By the designation of an employee of the Borough of Coaldale to serve as the Borough Code Official to act on behalf of the Borough of Coaldale;
2. By the retention of one or more construction code officials or third-party agencies to act on behalf of the Borough of Coaldale;
3. By agreement with one or more other municipalities for the joint administration and enforcement of the Code through an intermunicipal agreement;
4. By entering into an agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry for plan review, inspections, and enforcement of structures other than one-family or two-family dwelling units and utility and miscellaneous use structures.

## **IV BOARD OF APPEALS**

A Board of Appeals shall be established by resolution of the Council of the Borough of Coaldale in conformity with the requirements of the relevant provisions of the Code, as amended from time to time, and for the purposes set forth therein. If at any time enforcement and administration is undertaken jointly with one or more other municipalities, the Board of Appeals shall be established by joint action of the participating municipal bodies.

**V     SAVINGS CLAUSE**

1. All building code ordinances or portions of ordinances which were adopted by the Borough of Coaldale on or before July1, 1999, and which equal or exceed the requirements of the Code shall continue in full force and effect until such time as the provisions fail to equal or exceed the minimum requirements of the Code, as amended from time to time.
2. All building code ordinances or portions of ordinances which are in effect as of the effective date of this ordinance and whose requirements are less than the minimum requirements of the Code are hereby amended to conform with the comparable provisions of the Code.
3. All relevant ordinances, regulations and policies of the Borough of Coaldale not governed by the Code shall remain in full force and effect.
4. If any section, subsection, sentence or clause of this ordinance is held, for any reason to be invalid, such decision or decisions shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

**VI     FEES**

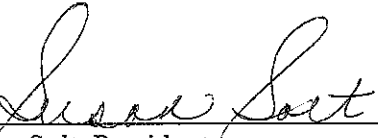
Fees assessable by the Borough of Coaldale for the administration and enforcement undertaken pursuant to this ordinance and the Code shall be established by the Council of the Borough of Coaldale from time to time by resolution.

**VII EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Ordinance shall be effective April 30, 2004, after passage, and approved in the manner prescribed by law.

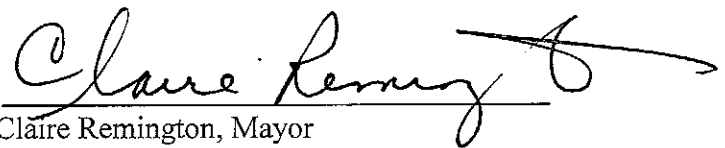
**ENACTED AND ORDAINED** this 10<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2004

**BOROUGH OF COALDALE**

BY:   
Susan Solt, President

**ATTEST:**

  
Louise Lill, Secretary

  
Claire Remington, Mayor