AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE DRIVEWAYS

The Town of Quincy Supervisors recognize that emergency vehicles access to homes and cabins or places of business in the Town of Quincy are often hampered and many cases prevented due to narrow driveways and inadequate turnarounds. This is a problem for large firefighting equipment responding to a structure fire or wild fire. The Board of Supervisors are concerned about the personal threat this may impose to responding fire personnel and the risk to emergency services equipment. The Board of Supervisors are also concerned that heavy construction equipment and vehicles cause damage to town roads. Therefore, the Board of Supervisors enacts the following ordinance:

WHEREAS, the Town is responsible for fire protection.

WHEREAS, the Town is concerned with the damage to town roads caused by construction

equipment and vehicles.

THEREFORE, before any new construction building permits are issued a driveway permit must be applied for, all new driveways must have a minimum of 30' at the apron of the town road and 25'

by the properties lot line.

THEREFORE, any new driveway and existing driveway shall have at least 24 feet width of flat surface and free of stumps, trees, brush, rocks, etc. A minimum height clearance of 15 feet is required. Any curves in driveways or private roads must not be less than 100 feet radius. Driveways exceeding 150 feet in length must provide an adequate turnaround that will accommodate a 30 foot long fire truck. If a circle drive is constructed, it must have a radius of no less that 45 feet to the center line. Otherwise, the turnaround area shall not be less than 60 feet by 60 feet and a turnout shall not be less than 12 feet by 30 feet. Private roads shall be the same as our Town roads.

These regulations are not in effect in subdivisions deemed by the agency issuing a driveway

permit.

SECTION 1. Effective upon posting, no new driveway maybe constructed unless it meets the specifications of this ordinance.

SECTION 2. Definitions:

(a) "Driveway" is every way or place in private ownership and used for vehicular travel to gain access to a public road from a dwelling:

(b) "Dwelling" means every structure, all or part of which is designated or used for

human habitation.

SECTION 3. Reflective address sign shall be required at the end of each drive; reflective signs are available by applying at the Quincy Town Hall or at the Land Description office at the Adams County Courthouse.

SECTION 4. Violation of this ordinance can result in limited Town service at anytime.

SECTION 5. Damage to Town equipment and/or roads due to violation of the driveway ordinance can result in charges for repair of Town equipment and/or roads.

Adopted this 19th day of December, 2013.

Chairman

Supervisor I