

**TOWN OF MARDELA SPRINGS, MARYLAND**

**ORDINANCE No. 53**  
**FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF MARDELA SPRINGS, WICOMICO COUNTY, MARYLAND, PERTAINING TO THE NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM, ADOPTING BY REFERENCE REVISED FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY AND FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAPS, AND FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT REGULATIONS; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING PENALTIES.**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Mardela Springs, Maryland joined the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) as a separate community on September 27, 1985; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Mardela Springs, under the National Flood Insurance Program is the entity responsible for floodplain administration within the Town of Mardela Springs corporate limits; and,

**WHEREAS**, the continued participation in the National Flood Insurance Program is in the best interest of the citizens of the Town of Mardela Springs; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency published a Flood Insurance Study dated August 17, 2015, and Flood Insurance Rate Maps of same date, for the Town of Mardela Springs; and,

**WHEREAS**, each community that participates in the National Flood Insurance Program is required to adopt floodplain management regulations consistent with Federal criteria; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Mardela Springs, has delegated the responsibility of floodplain management to Wicomico County as provided for in a signed and executed resolution; and,

**WHEREAS**, Wicomico County has adopted Floodplain Regulations known as Chapter 149 of the Wicomico County Code that meet the requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program; and

**WHEREAS**, those certain documents entitled "Flood Insurance Study for Wicomico County, Maryland and Incorporated Areas" dated August 17, 2015 and Flood Insurance Rate Maps dated August 17, 2015 and "Floodplain Regulations for Wicomico County, dated the 16<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2015, and all subsequent amendments and/or revisions are hereby designated as public records.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Commissioners of Mardela Springs, Maryland, as follows:

**Section 1.** Those public records entitled “Flood Insurance Study for Wicomico County, Maryland and Incorporated Areas” dated August 17, 2015 with accompanying Flood Insurance Rate Maps dated August 17, 2015 and all subsequent amendments and/or revisions, copies of which shall be kept on file in the Town Office of the Town of Mardela Springs, are hereby adopted by reference, as the basis for establishing the special flood hazard areas for floodplain management in the Town of Mardela Springs. The special flood hazard areas documented in the Flood Insurance Study and Flood Insurance Rate Maps are the minimum area of applicability of the floodplain management regulations and may be supplemented by studies for other areas as allowed in the regulations.

**Section 2.** That public record designated as the Floodplain Management Regulations for Wicomico County known as Chapter 149 of the Wicomico County Code, dated the 16<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2015, and all subsequent amendments and/or revisions, copies of which shall be kept on file in the Town Office of the Town of Mardela Springs, is hereby adopted as the legal basis for implementing floodplain management in the Town of Mardela Springs.

**Section 3.** The Town of Mardela Springs delegates the responsibility of floodplain management to Wicomico County as provided in an executed resolution dated October 18, 2010. The Code Enforcement Officer is designated as the National Flood Insurance Program Floodplain Administrator for the Town of Mardela Springs and is responsible for coordinating with Wicomico County and will serve as the community point of contact on National Flood Insurance Program issues for County, State and Federal officials.

**Section 4.** Wicomico County shall have the right and authority to fully enforce the provisions of the ordinance within the corporate limits of the Town of Mardela Springs.

**Section 5.** Repeal of conflicting ordinances. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

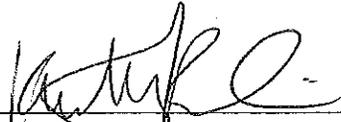
**Section 6.** Severability. If any portion of this ordinance is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, all remaining portions of this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

**Section 7.** Providing for penalties. Any person who fails to comply with any or all of the requirements or provisions of the Floodplain Management Ordinance shall be subject to the penalties as outlined within Chapter 149 of the Wicomico County Code.

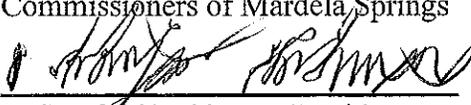
**Section 8.** This Ordinance shall take effect on August 17, 2015.

**This Ordinance having been read and considered and passed on first reading on June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015, and having been published as required by law and a second reading and public hearing held it was finally passed on July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2015.**

ATTESTED:

  
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Kortney Robinson, Town Clerk

APPROVED:

Commissioners of Mardela Springs  
  
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E. Stanford Robinson, President