WHITEHALL PARKWAY
FACILITY USAGE QUESTIONNAIRE

NAME OF GROUP _______________________________ TODAY’S DATE __________________

DATE OF USAGE ___________________ TIME OF USAGE __________ TO __________

_______________________ TIME OF USAGE __________ TO __________

PURPOSE OF USAGE ______________________________________________________________

CONTACT PERSON ______________________________________________________________

ADDRESS _________________________________________________________________

PHONE ___________________ EMAIL ADDRESS ________________________

EXPLAIN ACTIVITY PLANNED _____________________________________________________

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__________________________________________________________________________

AREA TO BE USED ____________________________________________________________

OVERNIGHT STAY? YES _________ NO ___________ NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS _________

ARE YOU PLANNING A CAMPFIRE IN THE DESIGNATED AREA? YES _________ NO ___________

HAVE YOU APPLIED FOR A BURN PERMIT THROUGH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT? YES _____ NO ___

SUPERVISOR TO BE PRESENT DURING ENTIRE STAY __________________________________

(NAME)

I HAVE BEEN GIVEN A COPY OF THE RULES AND REGULATIONS, AND I UNDERSTAND THEM AND
WILL ABIDE BY THEM. YES _________ NO _____________

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT ________________________________________________________

AUTHORIZED BY: ________________________ DATE ______________

BUREAU CHIEF OF RECREATION

COPIES TO:

Mayor
Bureau of Fire
Bureau of Police
Bureau of Recreation
Bldgs./Grounds Sup.
EAC Council Representative
Responsible Party
File

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WHITEHALL PARKWAY
RULES AND REGULATIONS

WHITEHALL PARKWAY: PASSIVE RECREATION IN A NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

1. PARK HOURS – DAWN TO DUSK

2. NO VEHICLES BEYOND PARKING AREA. THIS INCLUDES AUTOMOBILES, GO-CARTS, MOPEDS, MOTORCYCLES, SKATEBOARDS, ATV’S AND SNOWMOBILES.

3. DOGS MUST BE ON LEASHES, AND DOG OWNERS ARE REQUIRED TO CLEAN UP AFTER THEIR DOGS. PLEASE DEPOSIT WASTE IN GARBAGE CONTAINERS.

4. STAY ON DESIGNATED TRAILS.

5. PARK NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR INJURY, THEFT, OR ACCIDENTS

6. NO DISCHARGING OF FIREARMS OR BOWS.

7. NO CAMPING WITHOUT A PERMIT.

8. NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.

9. NO GLASS CONTAINERS.

10. NO EXCAVATIONS OF ANY KIND.

11. NO CAMPFIRES.

12. NO DUMPING.

13. NO LITTERING.

14. NO HORSES.

THE PARKWAY IS FOR YOUR ENJOYMENT. PLEASE COOPERATE WITH THESE RULES AND REGULATIONS WHILE YOU ARE HERE.

THE BUREAU OF POLICE WILL ENFORCE ALL PARK ORDINANCES.
ORDINANCES #1211, #1222, #1286, #1944, #2359

FOR EMERGENCIES CALL 911
Application for Bonfire or Camp Fire Permit

All applications for a Bonfire/Camp Fire should be submitted in writing at least ten business days prior to the burn and shall include the application filled out in its entirety. This application is for only the day or days indicated and no other.

1. Owner of property that the Bonfire/Camp Fire will be on: __________________________

2. Group sponsoring the Bonfire/Camp Fire: __________________________

3. Have arrangements been made for a Fire Department Standby (Bonfire only):
   Yes ________ No ________

4. Who will be in charge of starting the fire: __________________________

All permits shall be requested by ordinance, issued to the owner of the land upon which the Bonfire is to be kindled. The owner of the land is responsible for the fire and ashes or cinders that leave or remain after the fire. As well as any monetary damages caused by the fire or its remnants if the fire should rekindle or become out of control.

Signature of the Applicant: __________________________

Printed Name of the Applicant: __________________________

Address of the Applicant: __________________________

Location of the Bonfire/Camp Fire: __________________________

Phone Number of the Applicant: __________________________

Date of the Bonfire/Camp Fire: __________________________

Remember that only dry wood can be used and should be ignited with a small quantity of paper. Use of tires, rubber, plastics, asphalt shingles are prohibited only natural products may be burned. A Bonfire shall not be more than 5 feet by 5 feet by 5 feet high in dimension and shall not burn for longer than 3 hours. The fire shall not be utilized for waste disposal purposes, and the fuel shall be chosen to minimize the generation of air contaminate.
Section 307 Open Burning:

307.2.1 Authorization.
Where required by state or local law or regulations, open burning shall only be permitted with prior approval from the state or local air and water quality management authority, provided that all conditions specified in the authorization are followed.

307.2.2 Prohibited open Burning.
Open burning that will be offensive or objectionable due to smoke or odor emissions when atmospheric conditions or local circumstances make such fires hazardous shall be prohibited. The code official is authorized to order the extinguishment by the permit holder or the fire department of open burning which creates or adds to a hazardous or objectionable situation.

307.3 Location:
The location for open burning shall not be less than 50ft. (15240mm) from any structure and provisions shall be made to prevent the fire from spreading to within 50 ft. (15240mm) of any structure.

307.4 Attendance:
Open burning, bonfires or recreational fires shall be constantly attended until the fire is extinguished. A minimum of one portable fire extinguisher complying with Section 906 with a minimum of one portable fire extinguisher complying with Section 906 with a minimum 4-A rating or other approved onsite fire extinguishing equipment, such as dirt, sand, water barrel, garden hose or water truck, shall be available for immediate utilization.

Return the permit with all applicable permits and you will be called when your permit is approved. If the permit is not complete it will not be approved.
BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
THE TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL

ORDINANCE NO. 3104

BILL NO. 1-2018

AN ORDINANCE LIMITING OPEN BURNING IN THE TOWNSHIP; PROVIDING
FOR THE SEVERABILITY OF PARTS OF THIS ORDINANCE DEEMED TO BE
INVALID; REPEALING ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, OR PARTS THEREOF IN
CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (FIRE)

WHEREAS, the Township of Whitehall (the "Township") is a township organized and operating
under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the Home Rule Charter of the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Township may, under the general authority of the
Home Rule Charter, enact regulations to ensure the health, safety, and general welfare of the citizens of the
Township; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Township has determined that air pollution and
dangers associated with open burning may be detrimental to the health, comfort, living conditions, welfare,
and safety of the citizens of the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Township has determined that the health, safety,
and general welfare of the citizens of the Township will be promoted and served by enacting this Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ORDAINED and ENACTED by the Board of Commissioners of
Whitehall Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania as follows:

ARTICLE I

Title

This chapter shall be known as the "Burning Ordinance."

ARTICLE II

Definitions

The following words, terms, and phrases, when used in this chapter, shall have the following meanings:

a. Garbage. All putrescible animal and vegetable matter resulting from the handling, preparation,
   cooking, and consumption of food.

b. Open fire. All fires kindled or maintained outside of a building and shall include all fires
   maintained in containers, enclosures, barrels, or devices commonly known as "burn barrels" or "fire pits."
   Open fires also include brush fires or field fires which are not confined by any type of container or
   enclosure.

c. Outdoor preparation of food. Those fires which are kindled or maintained for the sole purpose
   of food preparation, which use charcoal, natural gas, or liquefied petroleum gas as a fuel or heat source.

d. Person. Includes persons, partnerships, corporations, and other business entities.
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e. Rubbish. Solids not considered to be highly flammable or explosive including, but not limited to, rags, old clothes, leather, rubber, carpets, wood, excelsior, paper, ashes, tree branches, tree leaves, crockery, masonry, and other similar materials.

f. Trade waste. All solid or liquid material or rubbish resulting from construction, building operations, or the prosecution of any business, trade, or industry including, but not limited to, plastic products, cartons, paint, grease, oil, and other petroleum products, chemicals, cinders, and other waste forms of solid or liquid waste materials; provided, however, that trade waste shall not include any coal refuse associated with the mining or preparation of coal.

ARTICLE III Limitation on burning

No person shall kindle or maintain any bonfire or fire which burns garbage, rubbish, or trade waste or authorize any such fire to be kindled or maintained on or in any public street, alley, road, or other public ground, or on private property. This limitation shall include any and all open fires and other outdoor fires which are kindled or maintained in containers, enclosures, barrels, incinerators, or devices commonly known as “burn barrels” or “fire pits.”

ARTICLE IV Exceptions

The provisions of this Chapter shall not apply to the following:

A. A fire set solely for the outdoor preparation of food;

B. A fire relating to indoor heating appliances such as fireplaces, wood, and coal stoves;

C. A fire set solely for recreational purposes from an outdoor heating device using propane, and no other source, with a flame no more than eighteen (18) inches in height; or

D. Industrial or commercial incinerators which have been issued valid air quality and operating permits by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection.

ARTICLE V Violations and penalties

Any person violating the provisions of this article, upon conviction thereof, shall be sentenced to pay a fine of up to One Thousand Dollars ($1,000.00) for each offense and the cost of prosecution and, in the event of default of payment of each fine and cost, shall be subject to imprisonment for not more than ninety (90) days. Each day that a violation of this article continues shall constitute a separate offense. Any person found guilty of violating this article shall be assessed court costs and reasonable attorneys’ fees incurred by the Township in the enforcement proceedings.

ARTICLE VI Severability

If any sentence, clause, section, or part of this ordinance is for any reason found to be unconstitutional, illegal, or invalid, such unconstitutionality, illegality, or invalidity shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, sentences, clauses, sections, or parts of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared as the intent of the Board of Commissioners of Whitehall Township that this Ordinance would have been adopted had such unconstitutional, illegal, or invalid sentence, clause, section, or part thereof not been included herein.
ARTICLE VII  
Repealer

All ordinances, resolutions, or parts thereof which are inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

ARTICLE VIII  
Effective Date

This Ordinance shall become effective five (5) days after enactment by the Board of Commissioners and approval by the Mayor.

DULY ORDAINED AND ENACTED this 12th day of February 2018 at a regular public meeting in lawful session duly assembled.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL

BY:  
Dennis C. Hower, President

ATTEST:

Thomas Slonaker, Secretary

AND NOW, to wit, this 15th day of February 2018, the above is approved.

Edward D. Hozza, Jr., Mayor