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FIRE DEPARTMENT

31.01 ORGANIZATION

- (A) The Fire Department shall consist of the Chief of the Fire Department and a sufficient number of volunteer fireman to maintain and operate the Department.
- (B) The Chief is authorized and empowered at his discretion to appoint in any emergencies he deems necessary such temporary members of the Department as he desires to serve as members temporarily, and each such member so appointed shall be entitled to the same rights and benefits as all other members of the Department for the duration of such temporary service, no matter how limited his length of service may be.

31.01 DUTIES OF FIRE CHIEF

The Fire Chief shall:

- (A) Have general control of the Department, the personnel, apparatus, and fire alarm systems;
- (B) Command the Department and supervise the fire-fighting and extinguishing of all fires and shall have the authority to keep away from the vicinity of all fires any and all idle, disorderly, or suspicious persons; and
- (C) Inspect or cause to be inspected all trucks and other equipment of the Fire Department to ascertain that the equipment is being kept in proper condition. He shall report annually to the Board the condition of all equipment.

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31.10 ADOPTION OF FIRE PREVENTION CODE

There is adopted, for the purpose of prescribing regulations governing conditions hazardous to life and property from fire or explosion, that certain code known as the Fire Prevention Code, 1976 Abbreviated Edition, as amended, recommended by the American Insurance Association, being particularly the current edition thereof and the whole thereof, save and except such portions as are hereinafter deleted, modified, or amended, of which code one copy has been and now is filed in the office of the Clerk. This code is adopted and incorporated as fully as if set out at length herein, and from the date of which this chapter shall take effect, the provisions thereof shall be controlling within the limits of the town.

31.11 ENFORCEMENT

The code hereby adopted shall be enforced by the Chief of the Fire Department.

31.12 DEFINITION

Wherever the word "MUNICIPALITY" is used in the Fire Prevention Code adopted in 31.10, it shall be held to mean the Town of Faison, North Carolina.

31.13 MODIFICATIONS

The Chief of the Fire Department shall have power to modify any of the provisions of the code hereby adopted on application in writing by the owner or lessee, or his duly authorized agent, when there are practical difficulties in the way of carrying out the strict letter of the code, provided that the spirit of the code shall be observed, public safety secured, and substantial justice done. The particulars of such modification when granted or allowed and the decision of the Chief of the Fire Department thereon shall be entered on the records of the Department and a signed copy shall be furnished the applicant.

31.14 APPEALS

Whenever the Chief of the Fire Department shall disapprove an application or refuse to grant a permit applied for, or when it is claimed that the provisions of the code do not apply for that the true intent and meaning of the code have been misconstrued or wrongly interpreted, the applicant may appeal from the decision of the Chief of the Fire Department to the Board within 30 days from the date of the decision appealed.

31.15 ESTABLISHMENT AND CONSTRUCTION

- (A) The fire limits of the town are hereby established as follows: Beginning at the southwestern corner of Hill and College Street and running South along the eastern edge of Hill Street to the northwestern corner of Hill

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Street and Mary and Elias Street; thence a new line running East along the northern edge of Mary and Elias Street to the northeastern corner of Faison Avenue and Mary and Elias Street; thence a new line running North along the eastern edge of Faison Avenue to the southeastern corner of Faison Avenue and Goshen Street; thence a new line running East along the southern boundary of Goshen Street to the southeastern corner of Sampson Street and Goshen Street; thence a new line running North along the eastern edge of Sampson Street to the southeastern corner of Sampson Street and College Street; thence a new line running East along the southern edge of College Street to the southwestern corner of College Street and Hill Street, the point of beginning.

(See G.S. 160A-435, 160A-438)

- (B) All buildings hereafter erected within the fire limits of the town shall be of (1) stone, brick, cinder block, tiling or concrete, or (2) other fireproof material approved by the state insurance commissioner or his representative, and shall conform to the minimum requirements and standards of the North Carolina State Building Code as to building construction in the first fire district.

(See G.S. 160A-436)