

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 4 OF THE VILLAGE OF CENTERTOWN  
PROHIBITING THE USE OF FIREWORKS WITHIN VILLAGE LIMITS DURING DROUGHT  
CONDITIONS**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF CENTERTOWN,  
MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1:** Chapter 4 of the village Code of the Village of Centertown, Missouri, is hereby amended to include the following:

**4.50. Discharging of Fireworks Prohibited Within Village Limits and Sixteen Hundred (1600) Feet Beyond During Drought Conditions.**

**WHEREAS**, the prolonged lack of rain and excessive heat within the State of Missouri, has produced drought conditions for the Village of Centertown, resulting in all plant life, buildings, structures and other property within the Village being extremely susceptible to ignition from sources of heat which are traditionally acceptable by the Village. As such this ordinance will become effective only under **activation of the State Emergency Operations Center** and/or **state or county official drought declaration** in response to fires and a prolonged period of record heat and low precipitation across Missouri. We order the following:

- a. It shall be unlawful for any person to discharge or cause to be discharged any and all fireworks within Village limits and sixteen hundred (1600) feet beyond.
- b. It shall be unlawful for any person to discharge or cause to be discharged into the air or ground at any location within the Village boundaries and sixteen hundred (1600) feet beyond, any device or mechanism which has an open flame attached or included as any part of the device.
- c. The law enforcement officers are to enforce this Section 4.50 strictly, and without the use of warnings. Citations are to be issued regardless of the circumstances.
- d. Penalty will be as described in **Ordinance No. 120: Chapter 4, Section 1, 4.40 Discharging of Fireworks Prohibited Within Village Limits: Exception. (G) Penalty**

**Section 2:** This Ordinance shall remain in full force only under **activation of the State Emergency Operations Center** and/or **state or county official drought declaration** and upon final passage and approval.

FIRST READING HELD: \_\_\_\_\_, 2012

SECOND READING HELD AND FINAL PASSAGE ON THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_,  
2012

**BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

	Aye	Nay
Jesse Corona	_____	_____
Susan Gilliam	_____	_____
Nelda Hutinger	_____	_____
John Doyle	_____	_____

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Chairman, Board of Trustees

ATTEST:

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Village Clerk