## **ORDINANCE NO. 09-2012**

## ORDINANCE FOR MORRISTOWN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR KEY BOX SYSTEMS

WHEREAS, many properties are equipped with automatic alarm systems, and or sprinkler/standpipe systems, and these automatic systems, may cause the fire companies of the Morristown Volunteer Fire Department to be summoned at a time when the building or Business is not occupied or when the occupant is not available to provide entry for the fire department; and,

WHEREAS, the Town of Morristown Town Council and the Morristown Volunteer Fire Department deems it desirous to minimize property damage that can result from forced entry in an emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Indiana Fire Code, Section 902.4 provides that any Fire Department may require that certain occupancies maintain a Rapid Access system as prescribed by the Fire Department, the Morristown Volunteer Fire Department finds a need to establish the use of key lock boxes to provide better access to buildings by the Fire Department for the purpose of protecting lives and property.

NOW THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Town Council of the Town of Morristown:

1. The following is hereby to Morristown codification of Ordinances and shall be known as Use and Placement of the Knox Box System.

## Use and Placement of Key Boxes.

- A. Application.
- 1. Any property within the Town of Morristown that is protected by an automatic fire alarm system and or a fire suppression systems.
  - 2. Any new or remodeled non-resident structure;
  - 3. Any multi-family structure with a common locked entrance.
- B. Contents.

The key box shall contain:

- 1. Keys to locked points of ingress whether on the interior or exterior of such buildings;
  - 2. Keys to locked mechanical equipment rooms;
  - 3. Keys to locked electrical rooms;
  - 4. Keys to elevator controls;
- 5. Any other devices needed for access to above locations, including what specific location within the building they unlock.
- C. Installation

The Knox Box shall be approved by the Fire Chief and/or Fire Marshall as to the location of installation and type.

## ALL OF WHICH IS SO ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of Morristown, this $12^{+L}$ day of September, 2012

APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE 09-2012	•
Approved and adopted by a vote of: Ayes: 3 Nays: 12 <sup>th</sup> day of September, 2012.	Absent: O on
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ATTEST: Donald L. Roberts, Clerk-Treasurer	