Section 1 — Applicability

This Ordinance applies to fees charged by the Town of Mount Desert for internal plumbing permits and Subsurface Wastewater Disposal System (SSWD) permits issued by the Town of Mount Desert pursuant to 30-A M.R.S.A. Section 4201 et seq. and pursuant to rules promulgated by the Department of Human Services (DHS) under the authority of 30-A M.R.S.A. Section 4201 et seq. (“State Plumbing Code”). For purposes of this Ordinance, the terms contained in this Chapter shall have the meanings given to them in the State Plumbing Code.

Section 2 — Plumbing Permit Fee

A. At the time of issuance by the Town of a SSWD permit pursuant to the Maine Subsurface Wastewater Disposal Rules or a plumbing permit pursuant to 30-A M.R.S.A. Section 4201 et seq. and the State Plumbing Code, the permit applicant shall pay a fee in accordance with the following schedule and at the rate provided for each classification shown herein:

(1) Any person who shall begin any work for which a permit is required by the State Plumbing Code or Maine Subsurface Wastewater Disposal rules without first having obtained a permit therefore shall, if subsequently eligible to obtain a permit, pay double the permit fee fixed by this Chapter for such work. However, this provision shall not apply to emergency work when it shall be proved to the satisfaction of the Local Plumbing Inspector that such work was urgently necessary and that it was not practical to obtain a permit before the commencement of the work. In all such emergency cases, a permit must be obtained within four (4) working days or else a double permit fee as hereinabove provided shall be charged.

(2) For the purpose of this Chapter a sanitary plumbing outlet on or to which a plumbing fixture or appliance may be set or attached shall be construed to be a fixture. Fees for re-connection and retest of existing plumbing systems in relocated buildings shall be based on the number of plumbing fixtures, water heaters, etc., involved.

(3) Fees: After notice and hearing, the Selectmen are authorized to establish a schedule of Permit Fees. Said fees shall be reasonably calculated to cover the Town’s costs in processing permit applications, providing inspections and fulfilling its administrative duties under State law. From time to time the Selectmen may revise the fees after notice and hearing.