## <u>Vermilion Parish Police Jury Requirements for</u> Additions/Alterations/Remodel for Homes/Mobile Homes & Modular Homes

## **RESIDENTIAL HOMES:**

Additions – If home was built according to the most current IRC Building Codes, then the addition to the home must meet and follow the most current IRC Building Codes. If the home was built before the IRC Building Codes that were adopted by the VPPJ in January of 2006, you do not have to follow the IRC Building Codes for the addition, but a building permit is required. Copy of plans and a written cost estimate of labor and materials for the addition, completed by a professional or where ever you purchase your materials. Copy of contractor's license and insurance (projects over \$10,000) or if homeowner is doing work, we have an affidavit to sign, exempting from contractor's license. If the addition is separated by a breeze-way, this is considered a "new construction" and must follow the most current Building Codes.

<u>Additions in a Flood Zone</u> – Elevation is required **if** the addition will cost more than 50% of the current value of the home. Copy of an appraisal completed by a professional appraiser or tax assessment from the tax assessor's office (excluding land value) written cost estimate of labor and materials of the addition completed by a professional or where ever you purchase your materials.

<u>Reconstruction/Renovation/Alteration</u> – If cost of construction is less than \$5,000.00 a permit is not required. If reconfiguration of a space affects an exit, then you have to follow the must current IRC Building Codes.

## **MOBILE HOMES:**

**Storage Building-** If the building will be heated or cooled the most current IRC Building Codes need to be followed. If the building will not be heated or cooled, but has a restroom the most current IRC Building Codes need to be followed. If the building will not have heating or cooling and no restroom, the 2006 IRC Building Codes do not have to be followed, but a building permit is still required.

<u>Additions to Mobile Homes</u> – The addition has to follow the most current IRC Building Codes.

<u>Steps or Decks</u> – If they are detached (free standing) they do not have to follow the 2006 IRC Building Codes, and no permit is required.

Rewire Electrical to an Existing Structure/New Plumbing/Mechanical or Swimming Pools/Hot Tubs/Spas – Must meet the most current NEC & Plumbing Codes, and are required to get a Building Permit. Plumbing & Electrical Inspection Required.

If inspections are required for one of the above, the Homeowner is responsible for calling and getting inspections.

Once you receive your permit, the <u>yellow</u> hard card needs to be posted on the temporary electrical pole or front of the property facing the road. A copy of the permit is to be taken to the Vermilion Parish Health Department for electrical services.

Note: VPPJ only accepts Checks, Cashier's Checks of Money Orders (No Cash, Credit Cards or Debit Cards).

Office hours for the VPPJ Permit Office Monday - Thursday: 7:00 AM - 4:00 PM. Friday 8:00AM-4:00PM

Please call if you have any questions. Vermilion Parish Permitting Dept. (337) 898-4300