

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TOWNSHIP OF SPARTA
MUNICIPAL CODE TO CONFIRM THE POWERS OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE
AS SET FORTH IN N.J.S.A. 40A:14-118**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:14-7, *et seq.*, generally sets forth the establishment, maintenance and government of a Municipal Police Department and the status and discipline of its regular and permanent members; and

WHEREAS, Article VI, 2-818 provides for the establishment, maintenance and government of the Sparta Township Police Department; and

WHEREAS, it is desirous of the Township to reiterate the powers and duties assigned to the Chief of Police by state statute within its Municipal Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Sparta Township Council, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, that the Township of Sparta Municipal Code is amended as follows:

Section 1: Chief of Police; Powers and Duties.

The Township shall appoint a Chief of Police who shall have all of the powers set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:14-118 and who shall be directly responsible to the Township Manager for the efficiency and routine day-to-day operations of the Police Department. The Chief of Police shall, pursuant to policies established by the Township Manager:

- a. Administer and enforce rules and regulations and special emergency directives for the disposition and discipline of the force and its officers and personnel.
- b. Have, exercise and discharge the functions, powers and duties of the force.
- c. Prescribe the duties and assignments of all subordinates and other personnel.
- d. Delegate authority as the Chief may deem necessary for the efficient operation of the force to be exercised under the Chief's direction and supervision.
- e. Report at least monthly to the Township Manager in such form as shall be prescribed by the Township Manager on the operation of the force during the preceding month, and make such other reports as may be requested by the Township Manager.

Section 2: Severability. If any provision of this ordinance or the application of this ordinance to any person or circumstances is held invalid, the remainder of this ordinance shall not be affected and shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 3: Repealer. All ordinances or parts of ordinances or resolutions inconsistent or in opposition to the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed in their entirety.

Section 4: Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect after publication and passage according to law.

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that the above ordinance was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Township of Sparta, in the County of Sussex, New Jersey, held on February 11, 2020. It will be further considered for final passage after public hearing at a meeting of the Mayor and Council to be held in the Municipal Building, 65 Main Street, in the Township of Sparta, on February 25, 2020 at 7:30 P.M., and during the preceding week copies of the ordinance will be made available at the Clerk's office in the Municipal Building to members of the general public.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPARTA

KATHLEEN CHAMBERS, RMC
MUNICIPAL CLERK

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NOTICE is hereby given that the above entitled ordinance was introduced and passed at a meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Sparta, held at the Municipal Building, 65 Main Street, Sparta, NJ on February 11, 2020. The same came up for final passage and adoption at a meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Sparta, to be held on February 25, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 65 Main Street, Sparta, NJ and after all persons present were given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same, it was finally passed and adopted and will be in full force in the Township according to law.

KATHLEEN CHAMBERS, RMC
MUNICIPAL CLERK