

BOROUGH OF BERGENFIELD

PUBLIC NOTICE

ORDINANCE 16-2493 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 17, ARTICLE 11 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF BERGENFIELD, ENTITLED "POLICE DEPARTMENT"

was introduced at a work session meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Bergenfield, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey, held on Tuesday, April 19, 2016, and will be further considered for final passage after public hearing at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council to be held in the Council Chambers, Bergenfield Municipal Center, 198 North Washington Avenue, Bergenfield, New Jersey on Tuesday, May 3, 2016 at 8:00 P.M. prevailing time, or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard.

A clear and concise statement of this ordinance is to amend Chapter 17, Article 11 of the Code of the Borough of Bergenfield, entitled "Police Department," to create the position of Deputy Chief and list the respective responsibilities.

A copy of this ordinance may be obtained without cost between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at the office of the Borough Clerk, 198 North Washington Avenue, Bergenfield, New Jersey.

Marie Quinones
Acting Borough Clerk

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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 17, ARTICLE 11 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF BERGENFIELD, ENTITLED "POLICE DEPARTMENT"

WHEREAS, Chapter 17 of the Code of the Borough of Bergenfield sets forth all regulations regarding the Police Department within the Borough of Bergenfield; and,

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Bergenfield, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey that those portions of the aforesaid set forth below are hereby amended as follows and that those portions of the Ordinance not set forth below shall remain unchanged.

Article II: Police Department

Section 17-5. Creation.

A. There is created in and for the Borough of Bergenfield a Police Department that shall consist of one Chief of Police, one Deputy Chief, one Captain, five Lieutenants, seven Sergeants and no more than thirty-five (35) patrol officers. The Mayor and Council will determine the numbers of persons to be appointed to these positions together with their compensation.

B. The Deputy Chief, as the second in command of the Police Department, shall:

1. Rank next below the Chief of Police.
2. During the absence of the Chief of Police, be in charge of the day to day operations.
3. Make such personal inspections of the Borough of Bergenfield and the Police Department at such irregular and unusual hours as will be sufficient to be thoroughly informed of all existing conditions and to determine whether all members of the Department are efficiently performing their duties.
4. Report to the Chief of Police, in writing, all complaints against subordinates in the Department made by citizens or other members of the Department.
5. Prepare, each September 15th, a complete report for the Chief of Police as to the conduct and efficiency of all subordinate members of the Department. Said report shall include such recommendations pertaining to changes in the personnel of the command as may be deemed advisable to the best interests of the Department. In addition, the report will address any concerns with Police Operations and police equipment.
6. Be responsible for the conduct and efficiency of the members of the Police Department; for the condition and discipline of the members; for the care and proper use of all apparatus and equipment; and for the proper carrying out of the rules and regulations governing the Police Department.
7. Promptly and fully investigate all violations of the rules and regulations of the Department or any neglect of duty that might occur and shall make a prompt and full report thereon to the Chief of Police.
8. Be responsible for the security at the Mayor and Council meetings and personally attend at least half of all scheduled meetings for the year.
9. Report to the Chief of Police any reason rendering the Deputy Chief unable to perform duties of Deputy Chief.

10. Be responsible to the Chief of Police and the Appropriate Authority and comply with its Rules and Regulations issued under N.J.S.A. 40A:14-118, paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d) and (e) thereof.

Severability All provisions of this Ordinance are severable. If for any reason, any provision of this Ordinance is held to be invalid, the validity of the remainder of the Ordinance shall not be affected.

Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective upon final approval and publication, pursuant to law, and upon completion of all outstanding cases.