

Ordinance 2010-14

*BOROUGH OF HIGHTSTOWN
COUNTY OF MERCER
STATE OF NEW JERSEY*

AMENDING SECTION 2-55.2(d) OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHTSTOWN REGARDING FEES FOR MUNICIPAL COURT DISCOVERY OR POLICE ACCIDENT REPORTS

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has set forth new fees to be charged for copies obtained from Government Entities; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Clerk finds that revisions to the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Hightstown are necessary for compliance with the new fees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hightstown as follows:

Section 1. Section 2-55.2(d) of the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Hightstown is hereby amended as follows (Cross-outs are deletions and underlines are additions):

d. Municipal Court discovery and police accident reports

1. All requests for discovery in matters pending in the Hightstown Municipal Court shall be submitted through the Municipal Prosecutor.
2. The following fees shall be payable by the requestor to the Borough of Hightstown for the discovery or accident report provided:
 - i. ~~\$.75~~ .05 (five cents) per page for each ~~of the first 10~~ letter size (8.5 x 11) pages photocopied
 - ii. ~~\$.50~~ .07 (seven cents) per page for each ~~of the next 10~~ legal size (8.5 x 14) or larger pages photocopied
 - ~~iii. \$.25 per page for each of the pages photocopied thereafter~~
 - ~~iv. iii.~~ iii. Actual postage for any discovery or accident report sent by mail
 - ~~v. iv.~~ iv. \$.25 for the envelope for any discovery or accident report sent by mail
 - ~~vi. v.~~ v. Photographs will be photocopied at the rates established herein. If requests are made for duplicate photographs, the actual cost of making the photographs shall be charged.
 - ~~vii. vi.~~ vi. Duplication of video tapes constitutes an extraordinary duplication process and will be charged at the rate of \$5.00 per video tape.
 - ~~viii. vii.~~ vii. For any item that cannot be photocopied on the Borough's copy machine or for any item not otherwise provided for in this schedule, the actual cost incurred in making the copy shall be charged.

3. Where the discovery must be obtained from an entity other than the Borough of Hightstown, e.g. another police department, the actual costs paid to the other entity shall be paid by the requestor.
4. There shall be no charge to persons over the age of 65 for discoveries or police accident reports.

Section 2. That all other Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies.

Section 3. That, in the event that any portion of this Ordinance is found to be invalid for any reason by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall be limited in its effect only to that portion of the Ordinance actually adjudged to be invalid, and the remaining portions of this Ordinance shall be deemed severable therefrom and shall not be affected.

Section 4. That this Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with the law.

Introduced:

Adopted:

ATTEST:

Debra L. Sopronyi
Municipal Clerk

Robert F. Patten
Mayor