

Ordinance 2017-04

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

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 2, ENTITLED “ADMINISTRATION”, SECTION 2-29, ENTITLED “HOUSING AUTHORITY”, SUBSECTION 2-29.2, ENTITLED “APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONERS; TERMS; VACANCIES” OF THE “REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHTSTOWN.”

WHEREAS, it has been brought to the Borough Council’s attention that the Housing Authority shall contain one member of the Resident Advisory Committee of the Housing Authority; and

WHEREAS, the Borough finds that this requirement should be contained in the Borough ordinances for the appointment of Commissioners to the Housing Authority.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Hightstown, in the County of Mercer and State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. That Chapter 2, entitled “Administration”, Section 2-29, entitled “Housing Authority”, Subsection 2-29.2, entitled “Appointment of Commissioners; Terms; Vacancies”, is hereby amended to read as follows (underline for additions, strikethroughs for deletions):

Subsection 2-29.2 Appointment of Commissioners; Terms; Vacancies.

The Authority shall consist of seven (7) members, of whom five (5) shall be appointed by the Borough Council, one (1) by the Mayor, and one (1) by the Commissioner of Community Affairs. The members shall serve for terms of five (5) years and until their respective successors have been appointed and qualified. Members of the Authority appointed pursuant to N.J.S.A. 55:14A-4 (repealed) shall continue in office until the expiration of the terms for which they are appointed and qualified. All vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointments were made, but for the unexpired term only. If a vacancy is not filled by the Borough Council or the Mayor within ninety (90) days of the occurrence of the vacancy, the Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs shall notify the Mayor or the Council of his intent to fill the vacancy if it is not filled in thirty (30) days. If the vacancy is not filled within that thirty (30) days period, the Commissioner may appoint a member for the unexpired term. No more than one (1) member of the Housing Authority may be an officer or employee of the Borough. One Commissioner of the Housing Authority shall be a member of the Housing Authority Resident Advisory Committee, provided that an application for the vacant Commissioner seat is received as dictated by applicable law. Authority members shall receive no compensation for their services, but shall be entitled to reimbursement for actual expenses necessarily incurred in the discharge of the duties of membership, including travel expenses.

Section 2. Severability. If any sentence, paragraph or section of this Ordinance, or the application thereof to any persons or circumstances shall be adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be

invalid, or if by legislative action any sentence, paragraph or section of this Ordinance shall lose its force and effect, such judgment or action shall not affect, impair or void the remainder of this Ordinance.

Section 3. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon final passage and publication in accordance with the law.

Section 4. Repealer. All other Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Introduced:

Adopted:

Debra L. Sopronyi
Municipal Clerk

Lawrence D. Quattrone
Mayor