

ORDINANCE 2025-05

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ADMINISTRATION, SECTION 2-11, POLICE DEPARTMENT, SUBSECTION 2-11.8, QUALIFICATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT, OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE

WHEREAS, Chapter 2, Administration, Section 2-11, Police Department of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township (the “**Township Code**”) establishes the Police Department and outlines the composition of the Police Department and appointment of such officers; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 42:17b-66 *et seq.* established the police licensing program for all New Jersey law enforcement officers and requires that all law enforcement officers hold a valid, active license issued by the Police Training Commission in order to be employed as a police officer in the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham (the “**Township**”) desires to amend the Township Code Chapter 2, Administration, Section 2-11, Police Department, subsection 2-11.8, Qualifications for Appointment, to ensure compliance with the police licensing requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The aforementioned recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.

Section 2. The Township Code Chapter 2, Administration, Section 2-11, Section 2-11, Police Department, subsection 2-11.8, Qualifications for Appointment, is hereby amended to read as follows:

§ 2-11.8 Qualifications for Appointment.

Each person appointed to the Police Department shall meet the qualifications and requirements established by N.J.S.A. 40A:14-22 *et seq.* and any other applicable laws of the State of New Jersey. Additionally, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 52:17B-67.1, all current and future law enforcement officers employed by the Township of Chatham Police Department shall hold a valid, active license issued by the Police Training Commission in order to be employed as a police officer in the State of New Jersey.

Section 3. If any section or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid in any Court of competent jurisdiction, the same shall not affect the other sections or provisions of this Ordinance and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective, except so far as the section or provision so declared invalid shall be inseparable from the remainder or any portion thereof.

Section 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances, which are inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall take effect according to law.

Introduced: January 28, 2025

Adopted: February 25, 2025

Attest:


Gregory J. LaConte, Clerk

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

BY: 

Michael Choi, Mayor