BOROUGH OF WRIGHTSTOWN COUNTY OF BURLINGTON ORDINANCE NO. 2017-02

ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget up to 1.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Wrightstown in the County of Burlington, State of New Jersey finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2017 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Wrightstown hereby determines that a 3.5 % increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$28,842.00 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

WHEREAS, the Wrightstown Borough Council hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Wrightstown, in the County of Burlington, State of New Jersey that:

Section 1. A majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring that, in the CY 2017 budget year, the final appropriations of the Borough of Wrightstown shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be increased by 3.5 %, amounting to \$28,842.00, and that the CY 2017 municipal budget for the Borough of Wrightstown be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

Section 2. Any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the

final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two

succeeding years; and,

Section 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are

hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 4. If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this ordinance

shall be judged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subdivision,

clause, or provision and the remainder of this Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

Section 5. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and

publication as provided by law.

Section 6. A certified copy of this ordinance, as introduced, shall be filed with the

Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

Section 7. A certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote

included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

NOTICE

The ordinance published herewith was introduced and passed upon first reading at the

regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Wrightstown held on March 22, 2017.

It will be further considered for final passage after a public hearing at the regular meeting to be

held on April 26, 2017, at the Borough Hall, 21 Saylors Pond Road, Wrightstown, New Jersey, at

6:30 PM, at which time and place any persons desiring to be heard upon the same will be given

an opportunity to be heard.

Freda H. Gorman, RMC

Municipal Clerk

Introduction/First Reading March 22, 2017

Motion: Mr. Severns

Second: Mrs. Knapp

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Mr. Lownds, Mrs. Knapp, Mr. Severns, Mr. Timberman

Nays: None

Absent: Mr. Bird, Mr. Grove

Abstain: None

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Second Reading/Public Hearing April 26, 2017

Motion: Mr. Lownds **Second:** Mr. Grove

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Mr. Bird, Mr. Grove, Mr. Lownds, Mrs. Knapp, Mr. Severns, Mr. Timberman

Nays: None Absent: None Abstain: None

Thomas E. Harper, Mayor

CERTIFICATION

The aforementioned Ordinance Number 2017-02 was finally adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Wrightstown, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, after Second Reading and Public Hearing at their Regular Meeting held on April 26, 2017.

Freda H. Gorman, RMC

Municipal Clerk

Dated: April 26, 2017

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