BOROUGH OF WRIGHTSTOWN COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, NEW JERSEY ORDINANCE #2020-01

AN ORDINANCE CREATING CHAPTER 118, ENTITLED MUNICIPAL CODE INSPECTOR, OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF WRIGHTSTOWN, NEW JERSEY

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF WRIGHTSTOWN, IN THE COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: There is hereby established Chapter 118 of the Code of the Borough of Wrightstown as set forth in this Ordinance.

Section 2: The following new sections are established in and shall become part of Chapter 118, Municipal Code Inspector:

§ 118-1. Purpose and Intent.

- a. Purpose. This Chapter applies primarily to the enforcement of those sections of the Code of the Borough of Wrightstown ("Code") that regulate the rights and responsibilities of the owners of real property in the Borough and which are not otherwise subject to enforcement by the Code Enforcement Official pursuant to Chapter 35, the Department of Code Enforcement and Inspection pursuant to Chapter 57, the Uniform Fire Safety Code pursuant to Chapter 85, or the Zoning Officer pursuant to Chapter 219.
- b. Intent. This Chapter shall be construed to secure its expressed intent, which is to ensure the public health, safety and welfare insofar affected by the failure of property owners to comply with their obligations under the Code

§ 118-2. Existing Enforcement.

This Chapter is intended to work in conjunction with existing Borough Animal Ordinances, Borough Building Ordinances, Fire Prevention Ordinances, Code Enforcement and Inspection Ordinances, and Zoning and Land Development Ordinances. If this Chapter conflicts

with any such existing ordinances, the more stringent requirements of the two shall be in full force and effect.

§ 118-3. Appointment.

The Municipal Code Inspector shall be appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the Borough Council of the Borough of Wrightstown. The Municipal Code Inspector shall serve a term of office of one year commencing on January 1 of the year of appointment and ending on December 31 of the year of appointment, or until a successor shall be appointed and qualified.

§ 118-4. Duties and Powers.

- a. The Municipal Code Inspector shall investigate violations of, and where appropriate enforce, those sections of the Code of the Borough of Wrightstown that regulate the rights and responsibilities of the owners of real property in the Borough and which are not otherwise subject to enforcement by the Code Enforcement Official pursuant to Chapter 35, the Department of Code Enforcement and Inspection pursuant to Chapter 57, the Uniform Fire Safety Code pursuant to Chapter 85, or the Zoning Officer pursuant to Chapter 219.
- b. The Municipal Code Inspector shall consult with the Borough Construction Code Official, Zoning Officer, Borough Engineer, Animal Control Official, Property Maintenance Code Official, Fire Official/Marshall, County Health Official and/or other individuals if needed to enforce the provisions of the Code.

§ 118-5. Notices and Orders.

The Municipal Code Inspector shall issue all necessary notices or orders to ensure compliance with this Code.

Section 3: All Chapters of the Code of the Borough of Wrightstown unaffected by this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 4: Severability. If any sentence, paragraph or section of this Ordinance, or the application thereof to any person 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 5: Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon final passage and publication in accordance with the law.

Section 6: Repealer. All other Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of any such inconsistency.

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 February 12, 2020. It will be further considered for final passage after a public hearing at the Regular Meeting to be held on February 26, 2020 at the Borough Hall, 21 Saylors Pond Road, Wrightstown, New Jersey, at 6:30 P.M., at which time and place any persons desiring to be heard upon the same will be given an opportunity to be so heard.

Dated: February 12, 2020	
	FREDA H. GORMAN, RMC
	Municipal Clerk

INTRODUCTION / FIRST READING FEBRUARY 12, 2020

MOTION: Mr. Severns **SECOND:** Mr. Cottrell

ROLL CALL:

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

Nays: None Absent: None Abstain: None

SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING/FINAL ADOPTION FEBRUARY 26, 2020

MOTION: Mr. Bird **SECOND:** Mr. Cottrell

ROLL CALL:

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

Nays: None Absent: None Abstain: None

> THOMAS E. HARPER Mayor

CERTIFICATION

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced by the Borough Council of the Borough of Wrightstown at a meeting on February 12, 2020, and the same was then ordered to be published according to law with a public hearing and a vote scheduled for the meeting of February 26, 2020 beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Borough Hall, 21 Saylors Pond Road, Wrightstown, New Jersey at which time all interested persons will be heard.

FREDA H. GORMAN, RMC Municipal Clerk

Date: February 26, 2020

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