ORDINANCE # 2023-17

TOWNSHIP OF ALLAMUCHY

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ALLAMUCHY, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER 10, ARTICLE 2 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE CONCERNING MEMBERSHIP IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the Allamuchy Township Environmental Commission presently consists of seven members; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Township Council have determined that the public interests would be served by amending the Township Code to provide that the Environmental Commission shall have five members and two alternate members.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Council of the Township of Allamuchy, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section I

Section 10-18 of the Allamuchy Township Code, is amended to read as follows (additions are boldfaced, deletions are stricken through):

§ 10-18. Membership.

- A. The Commission shall consist of five members, appointed by the Mayor of the municipality, one of whom shall also be a member of the Municipal Land Use Board and all of whom shall be residents of the municipality, and two alternate members, appointed by the Mayor of the municipality, both of whom shall be residents of the municipality; the members shall serve without compensation. The alternate members shall be designated by the Mayor at the time of their appointment as "Alternate No. 1" and "Alternate No. 2." The Mayor of the municipality shall designate one of the regular members to serve as Chair and presiding officer of the Commission.
- **B.** Alternate members may participate in discussions of the proceedings but may not vote except in the absence or disqualification of a regular member. A vote shall not be delayed in order that a regular member may vote instead of an alternate member. In the event that a choice must be made as to which alternate member is to vote, "Alternate No. 1" shall vote.

Section II

Section 10-19 of the Allamuchy Township Code, is amended to read as follows (additions are boldfaced, deletions are stricken through):

§ 10-19. Terms, removal and vacancies.

In appointing the first five Commissioners, the Mayor shall designate two Commissioners to have a term of three years, two Commissioners to have a term of two years and one Commissioner to have a term of one year. Thereafter, all Commissioners shall have terms of three years. The Mayor or governing body of the municipality may remove any member of the Commission for cause, on written charges served upon the member and after a hearing thereon at which the member shall be entitled to be heard in person or by counsel. A vacancy on the Commission occurring otherwise than by expiration of a term shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner as an original appointment. Notwithstanding any other provisions of law to the contrary, the powers of appointment and removal hereby accorded to the Mayor of a municipality shall be vested in the elected official so designated or, where there is a vacancy in the office of the Mayor, in the duly designated Acting Member.

The terms of the alternate members shall be for two years, except that the terms of the alternate members first appointed shall be two years for Alternate No. 1 and one year for Alternate No. 2 so that the term of not more than one alternate member shall expire in any one year. A vacancy occurring otherwise than by expiration of term shall be filled by the appointing authority for the unexpired term only.

Section III

- 1. If any section, subsection, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of the Ordinance.
- 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances of the Township of Mount Olive that are inconsistent herewith are repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

3. This Ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days following final passage, approval, and publication as required by law.

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP OF ALLAMUCHY

ANNE MARIE TRACY, Clerk

ROSEMARY TUQHY, Mayor

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at the workshop meeting of the Allamuchy Township Mayor and Council held on November 8, 2023 and will be considered for final reading and adoption at the meeting of the Allamuchy Township Mayor and Council to be held on November 29, 2023 at the Municipal Building, 292 Alphano Road, Allamuchy, New Jersey at which time any and all interested parties may appear for or against the passage of said Ordinance.

ANNE MARIE TRACY, Municipal Clerk

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Take notice, the foregoing Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading by the Township Council of the Township of Allamuchy on November 8, 2023 at a regular meeting of said Council held at Allamuchy Town Hall, Allamuchy, New Jersey and was given further consideration and finally passed at a meeting of the Allamuchy Township Council held November 29, 2023 at Allamuchy Town Hall, Allamuchy, N.J.

This Ordinance shall take effect twenty days after final passage and publication in accordance with law.

ATTEST:

Anne Marie Tracy, Municipal Clerk

Rosemary Tughy, Mayor