

ORDINANCE 2023-25

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING THE BOROUGH CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, SO AS TO AMEND CHAPTER 72 ENTITLED "PUBLIC SAFETY, DEPARTMENT OF"

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, and State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 72 of the Borough Code of the Borough of South River, entitled "Public Safety, Department of," is hereby amended and supplemented so as to amend Article II entitled "Fire Department" so as to amend § 72-3 entitled, "Qualifications; discipline; duties; Fire Police." so as to read entirely as follows:

§ 72-3 Qualifications; discipline; duties; Fire Police.

A. Qualifications.

- (1) No person shall hereafter become a member of the Fire Department of the Borough of South River or any company thereof unless he/she shall:
 - (a) Have attained the age of 18 years.
 - (b) Be a citizen of the United States or legal resident with a social security card.
 - (c) Be physically fit to perform the duties of a fireman as evidenced by a certificate to that effect by a licensed practicing physician of the State of New Jersey.
 - (d) Be in good moral standing.

SECTION 2. Chapter 72 of the Borough Code of the Borough of South River, entitled "Public Safety, Department of," is hereby amended and supplemented so as to amend Article II entitled "Fire Department" so as to amend § 72-4 entitled, "Officers." so as to read entirely as follows:

§ 72-4 Officers.

- A. The officers of the South River Fire Department shall consist of a Chief, a First Assistant Chief and a Second Assistant Chief. A person nominated to serve as Chief or First Assistant Chief shall have first served in the rank immediately below the rank in the South River Fire Department for which the position is sought. The officers of each company shall consist of a Captain, a Lieutenant, a President, a Vice President, and a Secretary and such other officers as each company may select. Each January the three Chiefs shall appoint an Incident Safety Officer (ISO). Said individual's term shall be for one year commencing January 1. The ISO shall follow all guidelines set forth by the Public Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA)

and New Jersey Division of Fire and Safety and the Chiefs of that year. An individual shall qualify to be appointed as an ISO if he has been a regular member of the South River Fire Department for at least seven years and the individual shall have completed an approved ISO training course set forth by the New Jersey State Division of Fire and Safety. The Chief, First Assistant Chief, Second Assistant Chief, Captain and Lieutenant must live within a 10 miles radius of the Borough.

SECTION 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall take effect after second reading and publication as required by law.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the foregoing ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, held on July 31st, 2023, and will be considered for second reading and final passage at the regular meeting of said Governing Body to be held on the 21st day of August, 2023, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as this matter can be reached, at the Council Chamber of the Criminal Justice Building located at 61 Main Street, South River, New Jersey, and/or virtually via Zoom meeting code 826 6082 9597: password: 000000 at which time all persons interested shall be given an opportunity to be heard concerning this ordinance.

Introduced 7-31-23

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>	X		X			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>						X
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			


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Adopted 8-21-23

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>	✓		✓			
<i>Councilman Guindi</i>			✓			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>						✓
<i>Councilwoman Meira</i>			✓			
<i>Councilman Oliveira</i>		✓	✓			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			✓			


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SIGNED BY:



JOHN M. KRENZEL

ATTESTED BY:



ALYSSA GUGLIETTI, RMC