

ORDINANCE No. RO-12-23

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER 17 "LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARDS PROGRAM", SECTION 17-3 "CRITERIA FOR ELIGIBILITY" OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

WHEREAS, the Township Code contains conditions and requirements related to the Length of Service Awards Program ("LOSAP") created for the benefit of the active volunteer members of the Township of Washington Fire Department and Long Valley First Aid Squad; and

WHEREAS, from time to time, the requirements, criteria and rewards are reviewed by the Township Committee; and

WHEREAS, a review of the current Code revealed that the most recent amendment to the LOSAP reward amounts had not be codified in the Township Code; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has determined that the Township Code must be amended to reflect the correct reward amounts for the LOSAP.

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

SECTION ONE. Chapter 17 "Length of Service Awards Program", Section 17-3 "Criteria for eligibility" shall be amended to read as follows:

§ 17-3 Criteria for eligibility.

The LOSAP shall provide for annual contributions to each eligible member that meets the following criteria each calendar year January 1 through December 31:

Points	Amount
64 or greater	\$1,500*
50 to 64	\$750**
0 to 49	\$0

Annual Consumer Price Index (CPI) adjustments shall be made by resolution in accordance with guidance by the New Jersey Department of Community affairs, Division of Local Government Services.

NOTES:

*As a threshold qualification, in the case of a member of the Fire Department, a minimum of 25 points must be earned in the "Participation in Fire Company Responses" category, while in the case of a First Aid Squad member, a minimum of 10 points must be earned in the "Incident Response" category.

**As a threshold qualification, in the case of a member of the Fire Department, a minimum of 15 points must be earned in the "Participation in Fire Company Responses" category, while in the case of a First Aid Squad member, a minimum of 10 points must be earned in the "Incident Responses" category.

All remaining provisions of this Chapter not addressed herein shall remain unchanged.

SECTION TWO. RENUMBERING. This Ordinance may be renumbered for codification purposes.

SECTION THREE. SEVERABILITY. The various parts, sections and clauses of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable. If any part, sentence, paragraph, section or clause is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder off this Ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

SECTION FOUR. REPEALER. Any ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed as to their inconsistencies only.

NOTICE OF FINAL ADOPTION

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinance published herewith was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the Township Committee of Washington Township, in the County of Morris, New Jersey, held on the 21st of August, 2023, and the same came up for final passage at a meeting of said Township Committee on the 18th day of September, 2023 at which time, after persons interested were given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance, the same was passed and will be in full force in the Township according to law. By order of the Township Committee of the Township of Washington, County of Morris and State of New Jersey.

Dated: September 18, 2023

**TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON
COUNTY OF MORRIS
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

ATTEST:

Denean Probasco, Township Clerk

Matthew T. Murello, Mayor

Attest: I herein certify that the foregoing Ordinance was duly adopted by the Washington Township Committee at a regular meeting held by the Township Committee on September 18, 2023.

Denean Probasco, Township Clerk

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