

TOWNSHIP OF PEQUANNOCK

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-04

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 41 (ALARM SYSTEMS) OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEQUANNOCK AND PROVIDING FOR FEES FOR MULTIPLE FALSE ALARMS

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Pequannock, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey that Chapter 41(Alarm Systems) of the Township Code is hereby amended as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 041.03.080 entitled "False Alarms and Fines" is amended to revise subparagraph B to read as follows:

B. Fees for False Alarms; Violation for Failure to Pay

- 1. The Chief of Police and Fire Official shall be responsible for maintaining records of false alarms reported pursuant to the provisions of Section 41.03.070.
2. There shall be a false alarm fee charged after the first false alarm in a calendar month. The fee shall be billed by the Police Department by notice mailed to the responsible party. The following false alarm fees shall be assessed upon the residential property owner, business owner, or person responsible for the system:

Residential False Alarm Fee Schedule:

Table with 2 columns: Description of alarm frequency and corresponding fee amount (No fee, \$20.00, \$50.00, \$100.00, \$200.00).

Commercial False Alarm Fee Schedule:

Table with 2 columns: Description of alarm frequency and corresponding fee amount (No fee, \$20.00, \$50.00, \$200.00, \$350.00).

- 3. Alarm fees shall be paid within ten (10) calendar days after the mailing of notice. The failure to pay the alarm fees within ten (10) calendar days after mailing shall be a violation of this Chapter. An individual violating this Chapter shall be subject to a penalty to be enforced in the Municipal Court of a fine not to exceed \$100.00 for the first offense and a fine up to \$500.00 for each subsequent offense which shall be paid in addition to the false alarm fee.

SECTION 2. If any section or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid in a Court of competent jurisdiction, the same shall not affect the other sections or provisions of this Ordinance, except so far as the section or provision so declared invalid shall be inseparable from the remainder or any portion thereof.

SECTION 3. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances which are inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately after final passage and publication in the manner provided by law.

Introduced: April 8, 2014
Adopted: April 22, 2014

Signature of Joseph J. Delaney, Jr., Township Clerk

Signature of Melissa Florance-Lynch, Mayor