

**TOWNSHIP OF PEQUANNOCK
ORDINANCE 2015-15**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 124 ENTITLED "SOLID WASTE UTILITY" OF THE CODE OF
THE TOWNSHIP OF PEQUANNOCK**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Pequannock, County of Morris and State of New Jersey that Chapter 124 entitled "Solid Waste Utility" of the Township Code is hereby amended as follows:

Section 1. Section 124.06 is hereby amended to read as follows

124.06 Fee for refuse collection and disposal.

A. Fee. The fee for residential refuse collection per unit shall be as follows:

1. For each single family dwelling the rate shall be set according to the following schedule:

2015.....	\$ 400.00
2016.....	\$ 400.00
2017.....	\$ 400.00
2018.....	\$ 420.00
2019.....	\$ 420.00
2020.....	\$ 420.00

2. Non-Residential properties approved for service shall pay a fee equal to the basic residential fee for equal service or on a Cubic Foot basis, based upon the service required and the size of the container utilized.

B. Senior Citizens. Senior Citizens who are subject to the fees set forth in this chapter and who qualify for and receive property tax deductions under N.J.S.A. 54:4-8-40 et seq shall be eligible for a reduced fee for refuse collection. A qualifying Senior Citizen shall file a request with the Solid Waste Utility Collector for the reduced fee. The Tax Collector shall certify that the applicant does qualify for and receive the property tax deduction as permitted by statute. The sum deducted pursuant to this section is set at forty dollars (\$40.00) per annum.

C. Bills to be rendered quarterly. Bills for refuse collection shall be rendered quarterly, except for the initial billing period which shall be prorated. For the purpose of billing, the calendar year shall be subdivided and designated as follows: the year period shall begin on January 1 and end on December 31; the quarterly periods shall begin on the first day of January, April, July and October, respectively, and shall extend to the beginning of the succeeding quarterly period.

D. Responsibility for payment. Unpaid balances are liens against property. The owner of each property provided refuse collection and disposal shall be entirely responsible for payment of bills of said refuse collection and disposal as rendered by the Township of Pequannock. All refuse collection and disposal charges shall be a lien against the property until paid; said liens shall be subject to sale by the Township in the manner prescribed by law, on or after July 1 of the year following rendering of the delinquent bill.

E. Bills due upon rendering; interest; collection. The amount charged for refuse collection and disposal shall be due on the date of rendering of the bill. If bills are not paid within thirty (30) days from date of rendering, interest will accrue at the rate of eight percent (8%) per annum. Liens originating from non-payment of refuse removal and disposal charges shall be processed for collection in the manner so provided by law, including sale of the lien.

F. Discontinuance of service for properties other than residential. In additions to the provisions for collection of unpaid balances outlined in the preceding sections of this chapter, discontinuance of services for properties other than residential as defined in this chapter shall be initiated in the following manner. If bills are not paid within thirty (30) days from date of rendering, the Township, in addition to the provisions of section D. above, shall terminate said refuse collection and disposal service by sending written notice upon the property owner that unless that outstanding bill and interest is paid within fifteen (15) days from the date of the mailing of the notice, the service will be discontinued. Discontinuance of service does not relieve the owner of the property from complying with the provisions of section 124-3.B. of this chapter.

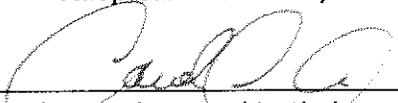
Section 2: If any section, paragraph, sentence, (or part thereof) shall be declared invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, the same shall not affect the remaining sections, paragraphs or sentences (or parts thereof) of the Ordinance, except so far as the section or provision 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: September 8, 2015

Adopted: October 13, 2015



Carol J. Marsh, Township Clerk



Catherine Winterfield, Mayor