## **TOWNSHIP OF PEQUANNOCK**

## **ORDINANCE NO. 2021-11**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 5 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PEQUANNOCK REGARDING ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROL OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT; RULES AND REGULATIONS

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:14-118 provides that "the governing body of any municipality, by ordinance, may create and establish, as an executive and enforcement function of municipal government, a police force." It further provides that such "ordinance shall, in a manner consistent with the form of government adopted by the municipality and with general law, provide for... the adoption and promulgation by the appropriate authority of rules and regulations for the government of the force and for the discipline of its members."; and

WHEREAS, in the Township of Pequannock the Township Manager is the appropriate authority for administration of the rules and regulations of the police department;

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Council of the Township of Pequannock, in the County of Morris, and State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The Code of the Township of Pequannock, Chapter 5, Section 5-88, "Administrative Control of the Police Department; rules and regulations", shall be amended to read, in its entirety, as follows:

§ 5-88 Administrative control of Police Department; rules and regulations.

A. The Police Department shall be under the administrative control of the Township Manager and shall be governed by the Charter of the Township. Accordingly, the Township Manager shall be the appropriate authority in all matters regarding the establishment and implementation of the rules and regulations of the Police Department. The Chief of Police shall be directly responsible to the appropriate authority for the efficiency and routine day to day operations thereof pursuant to policies established by the appropriate authority.

B. The Rules and regulations of the Pequannock Township Police Department, as recommended by the Chief of Police, shall be fully operable upon the approval of the Township Manager.

Section 2. If any section or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid in any 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 All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances which are inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.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: May 25, 2021

Adopted: June 8, 2021

Carold: Marsh, Township Clerk

Kvle Russell, Mayor