The ordinance published herewith was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Matawan, in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, on February 4, 2020. It will be further considered for final passage, after public hearing thereon, at a meeting of the Governing Body to be held at the Borough of Matawan, Matawan Municipal Community Center, 201 Broad Street, Matawan, New Jersey 07747 on March 3, 2020 at 7:00 o’clock PM. During the week prior to and up to and including the date of such meeting, copies of the full ordinance will be available at no cost and during regular business hours at the Clerk’s Office for the members of the general public who shall request the same or on the Borough of Matawan website at www.matawanborough.com.

Karen Wynne, RMC
Municipal Clerk

ORDINANCE 20-01

WHEREAS, NJSA 37:1-13 et seq. permits Mayors to perform such ceremonies to solemnize marriages; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with NJSA 40:48-1 fees collected in association with the service or performance of a marriage shall be established and collected pursuant to an ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Borough of Matawan that it herewith amends and supplements General Ordinances of the Borough of Matawan, Chapter 2, Section 2-73 Administrative Fees and Charges, be supplemented as follows:

Section 2-73 MARRIAGE CEREMONIES

2.73.1 Purpose.

The purpose of this section is to establish policies and procedures for the collection of fees associated with the performance of marriage ceremonies by the Mayor.

2.73.2 General Regulations.

a. Collection of Fees.

Persons seeking to be married or joined in civil union by the Mayor of the Borough of Matawan shall remit a fee of $160.00 to be paid to the Borough of Matawan. An administrative fee of $10.00 is included within the above established fee.
b. Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses incurred through the performance of marriage and civil union ceremonies.

1. Receipt of Fees – The fee shall be paid by check, payable to the Borough of Matawan. Fees collected shall be deposited into the Borough of Matawan’s current fund.

2. Disbursement of Fees – A fee of $150.00 for service may be disbursed to the Mayor through the appropriate budget line item and with appropriate authorization. A fee of $10.00 shall remain in the general account as an Administrative Fee.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED any Ordinances or portions thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies only.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED if any provisions of this Ordinance, or the application of such provision to any person or circumstance is declared invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or applications of this Ordinance, which can be given effect, and to this end, the provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon following the passage, adoption and publication pursuant to law.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that a true certified copy of this Ordinance shall be forwarded to the following Borough of Matawan Departments: Clerk, Finance and Registrar.