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## **Public Notice of Pending Ordinance 23-22**

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 December 5, 2023. 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 December 19, 2023 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](http://www.matawanborough.com).

Karen Wynne, RMC  
Municipal Clerk

### **ORDINANCE 23-22**

#### **AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF MATAWAN CHAPTER II – ADMINISTRATION, ARTICLE IV – ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATION OF THE DEPARTMENTS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, SECTION 2-14 – POLICE DEPARTMENT, NEW SUBSECTION 2-14.17**

#### **CREATING THE POSITION OF POLICE CHAPLAIN FOR THE BOROUGH OF MATAWAN POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 48:14-141 provides that the Governing Body of the Borough of Matawan may provide for the appointment of one or more Chaplains to the Police Department; and

**WHEREAS**, Police Chaplains serve an integral role in providing comfort to members of the Police Department as well as the public and aid in community policing; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council finds it in the best interest of the Borough of Matawan to provide for the appointment of Police Chaplains in the Borough; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED**, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Matawan, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Matawan, Chapter II – Administration, Article IV – Administrative Organization of the Departments of Local Government, Section 2-14 – Police Department, New Subsection 2-14.17, shall be amended and supplemented as follows:

**Subsection 2-14.17**

**Police Chaplain(s) for the Borough of Matawan Police Department**

a. Position Created.

The position of Police Chaplain for the Borough of Matawan Police Department is hereby created in accordance with 40A:14-141. The position will be a volunteer position, served without remuneration or benefits. The position of Chaplain shall be under and subject to the control of the Chief of Police.

b. Qualifications.

Any person appointed as Chaplain shall be an ordained clergy in good standing in the religious body from which he/she is selected. The Chaplain shall have basic training and shall be a certified Police Chaplain credentialed in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Borough of Matawan Police Department and shall be qualified in accordance with NJSA 40A:14-141.

c. Duties of Police Chaplain.

The duties of Police Chaplain shall include, but not be limited to assisting the Borough of Matawan Police Department in that may be assigned by the Chief of Police.

d. Rank and Salary.

Any person appointed as Chaplain shall serve in that capacity without Rank or Salary.

e. Term of Office.

A person appointed as Chaplain shall serve for a period of one (1) year from date of appointment and shall continue to serve in that capacity until he/she is either terminated or reappointed with the recommendation of the Chief of Police.

f. Appointment.

The Chief of Police may recommend to the Mayor persons that meet the qualifications of NJSA 40A:14-141 as well as the rules and regulations of the Borough of Matawan Police Department with reference to Chaplains, if any. All applicants for the position of Chaplain shall be reviewed by the Chief of Police and Chaplain liaison to determine his/her qualifications in accordance with this Ordinance and shall make recommendations to the Mayor regarding the appointment as Chaplain. The Mayor may appoint one or more Police Chaplains in accordance with this Ordinance with the advice and consent of Council.

**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 New Jersey State law.