

Introduced: September 24, 2018
Adopted: October 9, 2018

ORDINANCE 2018-15

TOWNSHIP OF EASTAMPTON

BURLINGTON COUNTY

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE XVII, SECTION 5-47 TO ADD A NEW SECTION ENTITLED "VETERAN AND MILITARY AFFAIRS ADVISORY COMMITTEE"

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Council of the Township of Eastampton, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION I.

A new Section 5-47 of the Municipal Code entitled "Veteran and Military Affairs Advisory Committee" is hereby created and shall read as follows:

5-47 Veteran and Military Affairs Advisory Committee

A. Establishment; appointment; terms; compensation; organization

1. There shall be a Veteran and Military Affairs Advisory Committee comprised of no more than nine members, appointed by the Township Council. All members shall be residents of the Township during their entire term. One member shall be a member of the Township Council. Membership is open to Active Duty Military members including National Guard and Reserve components and their spouses, Retired Military members and their spouses, widows of active duty or retired members, and those individuals with an Honorable or General Discharge. Individuals with a General Discharge must be Under Honorable Conditions. The membership will be open to one student liaison from either the Rancocas Valley Regional High School JROTC program or an Eight Grade Student from the Eastampton Community School.

2. The members of the Committee shall be appointed by the Township Council to three-year terms, except for the Council Member who shall be appointed to a one-year term. Terms of the members shall be staggered such that no more than three members' terms shall expire in any one year, excluding the Council membership term. All terms shall expire on the last day of December.

3. All members shall serve without compensation. Vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired term.
4. The Committee shall select a Chairperson and Vice Chairperson from among the appointed members of the Committee by majority vote.
5. The Chairperson shall designate a Secretary to the Committee subject to majority vote. The Secretary shall take minutes of all meetings of the Committee and provide them to the Chairperson for submission to the Township Council.
6. The Chairperson shall designate Committee members to oversee specific events and to appoint Subcommittees to assist with the planning, development and coordination of such events.
7. The Chairperson shall preside over Committee meetings.

B. Powers and Duties.

The Committee shall propose a calendar of Committee meeting dates to Township Council at a Township Council meeting in January of each year. The Committee shall recommend events to Township Council centered on partnering with our community and Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst (JBMDL) to recognize, support, and celebrate our active and veteran military citizens and, upon Township Council approval, organize events under the guidance of the Township Manager and other Township staff designated by the Township Manager. Each event proposed by the Committee shall include a budget estimate. The Committee shall be responsible for the recruitment and staffing of volunteers to assist with the organization and of celebratory events. The Township Manager or his/her designee shall be responsible for supervising events and performing administrative tasks, including but not limited to, agreements, contracts and purchasing.

C. Background checks.

All Committee members and volunteers are required to undergo a background check through the Eastampton Township Police Department on an annual basis.

D. Removal of members.

Township Council may remove any member of the Committee with or without cause.

E. Fees.

Veteran and Military Affairs Advisory Committee program fees shall be established by ordinance and revised as needed. The ordinance shall be on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk and available for public inspection during regular business hours.

F. Employees.

The Township Manager may hire part-time and seasonal employees to effectively organize, manage and supervise recreation programs.

G.

Township Council has established a recreation trust fund pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:48-2.56 providing for all fees collected for recreation and celebration programs to be deposited in such trust fund to be used solely for the purpose of operation such programs. The Committee shall have its own trust fund which will exist as a subaccount within the recreation trust fund The trust fund shall be administered in accordance with financial guidelines pertaining to all public funds and in accordance with the Township budgetary system.

SECTION III.

Should any section, part of any section, or clause or phrase of this ordinance for any reason be held invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the remaining provisions of this ordinance.

SECTION IV.

Any and all other ordinances inconsistent with any of the terms and provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies.

SECTION V.

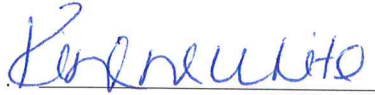
This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and any publication as may be required by law.

SECTION VI.

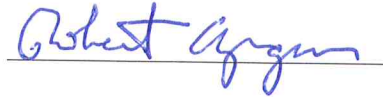
All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Adopted: October 9, 2018

Attest:



KIM-MARIE WHITE
Township Clerk



Robert Apgar
Mayor

Introduction 09/24/18

Council	Motion	2 nd	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Councilman Adams	X		X			
Councilman Edson			X			
Councilman Springer			X			
Councilman Zeno		X	X			
Mayor Apgar			X			
		VOTE	5			

Adoption 10/09/18

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Councilman Adams	X		X			
Councilman Edson		X	X			
Councilman Springer			X			
Councilman Zeno			X			
Mayor Apgar			X			
		VOTE	5	0		