



BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS  
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH

## **ORDINANCE 16-24**

### **AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 2 SECTION 10 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS BY THE ADDITION THERETO OF A NEW SECTION ENTITLED POLICE CHAPLAIN**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 48:14-141 provides that the governing body of the Borough of Highlands by Ordinance 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 governing body finds that providing for the appointment of one or more Chaplains to the Police Department to be in the best interests of the Borough.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Highlands, County of Monmouth, New Jersey, as follows:

#### **SECTION I:**

The provisions of Chapter 2 Section 10 are hereby modified, and amended by the addition of a new section. Said Section, Chapter 2 Section 10.16 shall read as follows:

The position of Police Chaplain for the Borough of Highlands Police is hereby created in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:14-141. The position shall be a volunteer position. The position of Police Chaplain shall be subject to the Control of the Chief of Police.

The Chief of Police shall recommend to the Borough Administrator, person(s) that he/she believes meets the qualifications of N.J.S.A. 40A:14-141 as well as the rules and regulations of the Borough of Highlands Police Department with reference to Chaplains, if any. All applicants for the position of Chaplain shall be reviewed by the Chief of Police and Borough Administrator to determine his/her qualifications are in accordance with this Ordinance and shall make recommendations to the Mayor and Council. The Mayor and Council shall appoint chaplains in accordance with this Ordinance and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:14-141.

Any person appointed as Chaplain shall be an ordained clergyman in good standing in the religious body from which he/she is selected. The chaplain shall be a certified Police Chaplain credentialed in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Borough of Highlands Police Department and shall be qualified in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:14-141.

The duties of the Police chaplain shall include, but not be limited to, assisting the Borough of Highlands Police Department in any duties that may be assigned by the Chief of Police that pertain to the Police Chaplaincy.

Any person appointed as Chaplain shall serve in that capacity without Rank or Salary. The position will be a volunteer position.

A person appointed as Chaplain shall serve from the date of appointment and shall continue to serve in that capacity until he/she is terminated, resigns or retires from that position. The Chief of Police shall be notified and consulted should any of these options be exercised.

**SECTION II.**

SEVERABILITY. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance, which shall otherwise remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION III.**

REPEALER. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

**SECTION IV.**

EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall take effect after final passage as provided by law.

| Introduction –<br>O-16-24 | MOVED | SECONDED | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
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| BROULLON                  | X     |          | X   |     |         |        |
| CARD                      |       |          | X   |     |         |        |
| D'ARRIGO                  |       |          | X   |     |         |        |
| WELLS                     |       | X        | X   |     |         |        |
| NOLAN                     |       |          |     |     |         | X      |

I, Dwayne M, Harris, Acting Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Highlands, in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, hereby certify this to be a true copy of the action of the Governing Body, at its Regular Meeting, held November 02, 2016. WITNESS my hand this 3rd day of November 2016.



Dwayne M. Harris, RMC  
Municipal Clerk

Second Reading and Public Hearing will be held on December 07, 2016.