

**TOWNSHIP OF EVESHAM
ORDINANCE NO. 14-6-2017**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EVESHAM
AMENDING CHAPTER 72 OF THE CODE OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF EVESHAM ENTITLED "FEES"**

WHEREAS, the Township Council has identified the redevelopment and greater appeal of the Main Street area as a critical element of its overall economic development policy; and,

WHEREAS, part of said economic development program is to encourage a more vibrant downtown through public events and civic engagement; and,

WHEREAS, the Evesham Celebrations Foundation ("ECF"), a non-profit organization established by community volunteers to raise funds for and promote the celebration of public events; and

WHEREAS, the ECF has over the past few years developed and delivered various events such as the Harvest Festival, Taste of Evesham, the Mayor's Independence Day 5K race, Marlton Day, the Thanksgiving Day Turkey Trot, and Winterfest; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Manager and Chief of Police have advised Council that these events require the presence of police officers and other personnel to protect the safety and welfare of all participants as well as the commuting public; and,

WHEREAS, the ECF has in the past made a contribution to the Township to offset the cost of public services associated with said events; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Manager requests the Township Council to authorize the use of public resources for these events and establish a fee for said services; and

WHEREAS, the Township has reviewed its fee schedule and determines to update the schedule to ensure that the fees are consistent to reflect said required services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Evesham that:

1. Township Manager is authorized to provide for the necessary public services, including but not limited to law enforcement and sanitation, for the public events and celebrations listed below and shall charge for the following events: Harvest Fest; Taste of Evesham; Independence Day Celebrations (5K, Parade and Fireworks); Thanksgiving Turkey Trot; Marlton Business Day; and Winterfest.
2. The ECF shall compensate the Township a total of \$10,000 annually for support services, which shall be paid in two equal installments. The first installment of \$5,000 shall be paid to the Township no later than July 15th and, and the second installment no later than December 31st.

3. The Township Council may establish fees by separate Resolution in the following circumstances:
 - a. Unique non-recurring events such as memorial services organized by non-profit or charitable organizations and ad hoc groups that honor citizens of the community or events of national significance (i.e. 9/11 commemorations).
 - b. Events sponsored by the Township, its various committees, or other governmental entities conducting exhibitions, educational or cultural programs.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED, by the Township Council of the Township of Evesham, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, that the Township Council does hereby amend Chapter 72 of the Code of the Township of Evesham to adjust certain fees for use of municipal properties and Township services.

SECTION 1. Chapter 72 of the Code of the Township of Evesham “Miscellaneous Fees and Services” is hereby amended as follows:

Miscellaneous Fees and Services

J. Public Events – Cost Related Fees –

1. Evesham Celebrations Foundation Events -Annual fee of \$10,000.00 (installments apply)
2. Non-recurring events sponsored by Charitable/Non-Profit/Ad Hoc Groups -- fee determined via separate resolution
3. Evesham Township/Other Governmental Entities sponsored events – fee determined via separate resolution

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ENACTED that this Ordinance shall take effect upon proper passage in accordance with the law.

Please take notice that the ordinance published herewith was introduced and passed on first reading at the Regular Meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Evesham in the County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, held on May 9, 2017, and said ordinance will be further considered for final passage after public hearing at a meeting of said Township Council to be held on June 20, 2017 at 6:30 P.M. in the Municipal Complex, 984 Tuckerton Road, Marlton, New Jersey, at which time and place all persons interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning such ordinance.

Mary Lou Bergh, RMC
Township Clerk