TOWNSHIP OF LONG HILL ORDINANCE 457-20

BANNING CERTAIN SUMP PUMP AND OTHER WATER DISCHARGES INTO TOWNSHIP STREETS AND SUPPLEMENTING AND AMENDING CHAPTER III OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE ENTITLED "POLICE REGULATIONS"

WHEREAS, water discharge from sump-pumps, leader drains and other manmade diversions of stormwater into sidewalks and roads, particularly in the winter when it can freeze, creates a hazard to pedestrians and motorists; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee wishes to supplement and amend Chapter III of the Township Code entitled "Police Regulations "by creating a new section 3-13, entitled "Discharge of Stormwater into Public Sidewalks and Streets"; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:48-1 the power to adopt public ordinances for public health, safety and welfare of the Township is coterminous with the power of the legislature; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that Chapter III of the Township Code, entitled "Police Regulations," is hereby supplemented and amended as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby created a new section 3-13 entitled "Discharge of Stormwater into Public Sidewalks and Streets," which reads as follows:

"3-13 DISCHARGE OF WATER INTO PUBLIC SIDEWALKS AND STREETS

- **3-13** .1 **Purpose**. The Purpose of this subsection is to prohibit the discharge of sump pump or other intentional discharge of any stormwater onto any Township street or sidewalk when such a discharge would create an unsafe condition such as icing or flooding.
- **3-13.2.** Discharge of Stormwater into Public Sidewalks and Streets. There shall be no sumppump discharges or mechanical discharge of any stormwater, leader drain discharge or other manmade diversions of stormwater directly into any Township street or sidewalk between December 1 and March 15, if in the professional opinion of the Township Engineer or the Chief of Police, or their designee, said discharge would create any unsafe condition such as icing or flooding.
- **3-13.3. Penalties.** Any person, entity, firm or corporation or other group found guilty of violating any of the provisions of this subsection shall be subject to any penalty as set forth in Section 1-5 of the Revised General Ordinances. Each daily incident shall be considered as a separate violation.
- **Section 2.** Any or all other ordinances or parts thereof in conflict or inconsistent with any of the terms hereof are hereby repealed to such extent as they are so in conflict or inconsistent.
- **Section 3.** In case any article, section or provision of this ordinance shall be held invalid in any court of competent jurisdiction, the same shall not affect any other article, section or provision of this ordinance except insofar as the article, section or provision so declared invalid shall be inseparable from the remainder or any portion thereof.
- **Section 4.** This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon final passage and publication as required by law.

NOTICE

The foregoing ordinance having been introduced and passed on first reading by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, in the County of Morris on Wednesday, March 11, 2020 will be

considered for final passage and adoption at a public hearing held at a meeting beginning at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 8, 2020 at the Municipal Building, 915 Valley Road, Gillette, New Jersey, when and where or at such time and place to which said meeting may be adjourned, all persons interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance.

<u>ATTEST</u>	
Megan Phillips, RMC Township Clerk	Brendan Rae, Mayor

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