

TOWNSHIP OF WALL

ORDINANCE NO. 2-2017

CREATING NEW CHAPTER 21 OF THE WALL TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING EXEMPTION FROM PAYMENT OF CERTAIN TOWNSHIP FEES FOR VETERANS

WHEREAS, the Township Committee, through Chapter 18, Article II, Section 18.7, provides certain incentive benefits to Wall Township active volunteer fire and first aid members in recognition of the contributions made by these individuals to the Township; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee wishes to extend these benefits to Veterans who served their country as members of the armed services; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee wishes to create a new Chapter 21 of the Wall Township Municipal Code entitled, Veteran's Benefits; and,

NOW, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Wall, in the County of Monmouth, in the State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. (NEW CHAPTER) Veteran's Benefits is hereby created as follows:

21-1 Definitions.

As used in this chapter, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

VETERAN

Veterans are defined as individuals who have been honorably discharged with active wartime service in the United States Armed Forces and who have qualified for a property tax deduction with the Wall Township Tax Assessor's Office pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:4-8.10 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 18:27-1.1 et seq. The term "veteran" does not include any surviving spouses, civil union partners or domestic partners.

21-2 Exemption from payment of certain fees.

All veterans, as defined herein, shall be entitled to an exemption from payment of the following:

- A. Township fees for marriage licenses;
- B. Township fees for dog licenses
- C. Township fees for recreation activities; 50% discount for the spouse and children of veteran;
- D. Township fees for training programs;
- E. Township certificate of occupancy fees;
- F. The Township portion of all Construction Department permit fees for a primary residence owned and occupied by the veteran;
- G. The Township land use permit fees for a primary residence owned and occupied by the veteran;

The foregoing exemptions shall apply only to fees established by the Township Committee which are fully retained by the Township as revenue.

21-3 Exclusions.

Benefits for veterans exclude the following:

- A. Fees, licenses and permits associated with any for-profit activity.
- B. Inclusion in programs when the registration is received after maximum registration has been reached.
- C. Application fees and escrows for Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment applications.
- D. Escrows associated with engineering inspections
- E. Posting of performance and maintenance guarantees where required.
- F. Wall Township Water and Sewer Connection and tap fees.
- G. Mandatory development fees to the Wall Township Affordable Housing Trust Fund.

21-4 Enforcement.

The Township Administrator or his designee is hereby authorized to enforce the provisions of this code section.

Section 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict or inconsistent with any part of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent that they are in such conflict or inconsistent.

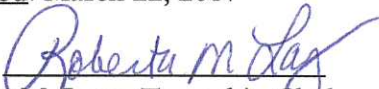
Section 3. This Ordinance may be renumbered for codification purposes.


Section 4. In the event that any section, part or provision of this Ordinance shall be held to be unenforceable or invalid by any court, such holding shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance as a whole, or any part thereof, other than the part so held unenforceable or invalid.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication as provided by law.

Introduced: February 22, 2017

Adopted: March 22, 2017

Attest: 
Roberta M. Lang, Township Clerk

Attest: 
Nick DiRocco, Mayor