

**BOARD OF HEALTH  
OF THE  
TOWNSHIP OF CRANBURY**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2009-02**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH OF THE  
TOWNSHIP OF CRANBURY, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE  
OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING SECTION 162-23 "FEES" OF  
CHAPTER 162 "ANIMALS" OF THE CRANBURY TOWNSHIP  
CODE**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Board of Health of the Township of Cranbury, Middlesex County, State of New Jersey, that Section 162-23, "Fees" of Chapter 162 of the "Code of the Township of Cranbury ("Code"), entitled "Animals", be amended as follows:

1. Section 162-23 "Fees" shall be amended as follows (deletions in [brackets]; additions underlined):

**§ 162-23. Fees.**

- A. *License Fee Schedule.* The fee for the license and registration of any cat required by the provisions of this Article shall be the same as the total fee due and owing for the license and registration of any dog under Article II of this Chapter.
- B. *Agricultural Fee Limitation.* The total annual license and registration fee for those persons who own, keep or harbor more than three (3) cats of licensing age on property that has qualified for Farmland Assessment under the Farmland Assessment Act, N.J.S.A. 54:4-23.1 et seq., shall be limited to the cost of three (3) licenses, with the licensing fee waived for each additional license obtained.
- (1) To qualify for the fee limitation and waiver under the provisions of this section, the person applying for said cat licenses shall be required to provide with the completed license application form a copy of his or her current year's tax bill or other proof that the property has qualified for Farmland Assessment under the Farmland Assessment Act, N.J.S.A. 54:4-23.1 et seq.
- (2) No other fees or assessments required by this Article, including, but not limited to, late fees and/or replacement tag fees, shall be altered, amended or waived by the provisions of this section.
- C. *Responsibility For Payment Of License Fees; Renewal of License; Expiration Date of License; License From Another Municipality Accepted.*
- (1) The person applying for the license and registration tag and/or sleeve shall pay the fee fixed or authorized. The fee for the

renewal of a license and registration tag or sleeve shall be the same as for the original, and the license, registration tag or sleeve and renewal thereof shall expire on December 31 in the following year.

- (2) Only one license and registration tag or sleeve shall be required in the licensing year for any cat in this Township. Any valid New Jersey license tag or sleeve issued by a New Jersey municipality shall be accepted by the Township as evidence of compliance through the end of the license year.

D[C]. *Disposition of Fees Collected.* The Board of Health recommends that the license fees and other moneys collected or received under the provisions of this Article shall be forwarded to the Township's Treasurer / Chief Financial Officer, and to the extent permitted by law, be placed in a special account separate from any of the other accounts of the Township, to be used for the following purposes only: for the local prevention and control of rabies; for collecting, keeping, identifying, and returning cats found within the Township; collecting, keeping and disposing of cats liable to seizure; for administering the provisions of this Article; and for any other activity, service or purchase of supplies or equipment to effectuate the purposes and intent of this Article.

2. **Repealer.** All ordinances or Code provisions, or parts thereof, inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

3. **Severability.** If any portion of this Ordinance is found to be invalid for any reason by any court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall be limited in its effect only to that portion of the ordinance actually invalidated and shall not be deemed to affect the operation of any other portion thereof.

4. **Effective Date.** This ordinance shall take effect on November 1, 2009, upon its passage and publication, as provided for by law.

The ordinance published herewith was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the Board of Health of the Township of Cranbury, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, held on September 14, 2009. It will be further considered for final passage, after public hearing thereon, at a meeting of the Board of Health to be held in the Gourgaud Gallery of Town Hall, 23-A North Main Street, in the Township of Cranbury, on October 5, 2009 at 7:00 p.m., and during the week prior and up to and including the date of such meeting, copies of said ordinance will be made available at the Township Clerk's Office to the members of the general public who shall request same.

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Kristen Hamilton, Secretary  
Cranbury Township Board of Health