

**HARDING TOWNSHIP  
ORDINANCE NO. #02-2019**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HARDING AMENDING CHAPTER 7 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP  
OF HARDING, SPECIFICALLY §7-31 ENTITLED "POLICE DEPARTMENT"**

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**WHEREAS**, pursuant to §7-31 B. of the Township Code, the Township Administrator is designated as the Appropriate Authority as provided in NJSA 40A:14-118; and

**WHEREAS**, the Appropriate Authority is responsible for the overall performance of the Township Police Department, which includes examining the operations of the police force; and

**WHEREAS**, based upon his examination of the operations of the Township police force, the Appropriate Authority has recommended that Township Committee amend its Code to increase the number of Sergeants within the Township Police Department from four to five Sergeants; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee based upon the recommendation of the Appropriate Authority, believes that this is in the best interests of the Police Department and the Township of Harding.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Harding in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey as follows:

**SECTION 1.** §7-31 B. of the Code of the Township of Harding is hereby amended to read as follows (bolded and underlined text is new, text with strikethrough is deleted):

- B.** Personnel; appointment; salary; oath. The Harding Township Police Department shall consist of a Chief of Police, one Lieutenant, ~~four~~ five Sergeants, not fewer than seven nor more than 12 patrolmen and such other employees as the Township Committee shall deem necessary. All members, officers and personnel shall be appointed by resolution of the Township Committee and shall receive such salaries as may be specified in the Township's Salary Ordinance. Every person appointed to the Police Department shall, prior to entering on his duties, take and subscribe to an oath or affirmation as required by New Jersey law.

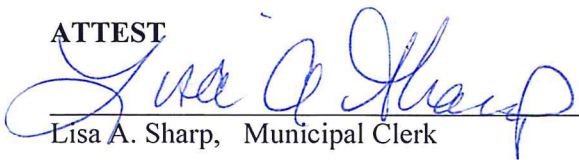
**SECTION 2.** At least three copies of said full Ordinance are on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk for public examination and acquisition. Copies are available for inspection or acquisition during regular weekday working hours and arrangements have been made for the publication of said proposed Ordinance in pamphlet or other similar form which will be available for purchase from the Township Clerk.

**SECTION 3.** This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication according to law.

**SECTION 4.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 5.** If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions.

**ATTEST**

  
Lisa A. Sharp, Municipal Clerk

**TOWNSHIP OF HARDING**

  
Christopher M. Yates, Mayor

**INTRODUCED:** January 14, 2019

**PUBLIC HEARING:** January 28, 2019

**ADOPTED:** January 28, 2019

**ADVERTISED:** January 17, 2019

**ADVERTISED:** January 31, 2019

**Vote on Adoption:**

|             | MOTION | FOR APPROVAL                        | AGAINST APPROVAL         | ABSTAIN                  |
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| Mr. Modi    |        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mr. Platt   | 2nd    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Mr. Yates   |        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |