

DELAWARE TOWNSHIP
ORDINANCE #2017-03

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, NJSA 40A:4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 0.5 percent (0.5%) unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to three and one-half percent (3.5%) over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A:4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the three and one-half (3.5%) percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Township of Delaware in the County of Hunterdon finds it advisable and necessary to increase its 2017 budget by up to three and one half percent (3.5%) over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Governing Body hereby determines, that a three and one half percent (3.5%) increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$101,822.15 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary.

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Township of Delaware hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated, as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NEW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Governing Body of the Township of Delaware, in the County of Hunterdon, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the 2017 budget year, the final appropriations of the Township of Delaware shall, in accordance with the ordinance and NJSA 40A:4-45.14 be increased by 3.5%, amounting to \$118,792.51, and that the 2017 municipal budget for the Township of Delaware be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within five (5) days of introduction; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote thereon, be filed with said Director within five (5) days after such adoption.

Charles Herman, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jodi McKinney
Acting Township Clerk
April 3, 2017

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above Ordinance was approved on first reading at the special meeting of the Delaware Township Committee held April 3, 2017. It will be considered on second reading for final adoption at a regular meeting to be held April 24, 2017, beginning 7:30 P.M. at Township Hall, Sergeantsville, New Jersey. At that time an opportunity will be given for all interested citizens to be heard.