

TOWNSHIP OF CRANBURY
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

ORDINANCE NO. 05-13-15

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANBURY, IN
MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, INCREASING SEWER USAGE
RATES AND CONNECTION FEES**

WHEREAS, Chapter 124 of the Code of the Township of Cranbury (“Code”) sets forth, inter alia, the usage rates applicable to buildings or facilities connected to the Township’s sewerage system, and establishes the connection fees to be charged to the owners of every property making a connection into said sewerage system; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:26A-11 requires the Township to recalculate its connection fees at the end of each budget year, utilizing the methods set forth in said statute; and

WHEREAS, based on the financial information obtained following the end of the budget year 2012, the Township’s Professional Accounting Consultant and Chief Financial Officer have performed the statutorily-required recalculation, and based on said recalculation have recommended that the usage rates and connection fees be increased;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranbury, Middlesex County, New Jersey, as follows:

1. The recitals contained in the foregoing preamble are incorporated herein as if fully restated.

2. Section 124-32 of the Code of the Township of Cranbury (“Code”), entitled “Rates applicable to buildings or facilities connected to sewerage system,” is hereby amended to change the usage rates for buildings or facilities connected to the Township's sewerage system, and shall read as follows (additions are underlined; deletions are in [brackets]):

§ 124-32. Rates applicable to buildings or facilities connected to sewerage system.

The following are rates applicable to buildings or facilities connected to the sewerage system:

- A. For residential single-family units and each single-family apartment dwelling in multiple-family structures, the quarterly service charge shall be [~~\$56.25~~] \$77.17, plus [~~\$6.60~~] \$7.43 per 1,000 gallons of water consumed.
- B. For lodging accommodations in hotels, motels or rooming houses, not including accessory uses, such as restaurants, etc., the quarterly

service charge shall be [~~\$56.25~~] \$77.17 per equivalent domestic consumption unit, as said term is defined in § 124-38 below, plus [~~\$6.60~~] \$7.43 per 1,000 gallons of water consumed.

C. For each commercial, professional, institutional, public or other user not classified in Subsection A or B above, the quarterly service charge shall be [~~\$56.25~~] \$77.17 per equivalent domestic consumption unit, as said term is defined in § 124-38 below, plus [~~\$6.60~~] \$7.43 per 1,000 gallons of water consumed.

3. Section 124-38 of the Code, entitled "Connection fees," is hereby amended to change the charge for connecting to the Township's sewerage system, and shall read as follows (additions are underlined; deletions are in [brackets]):

§ 124-38. Connection fees.

The owners of every property making connection, either directly or indirectly, to the Cranbury Township sewer system shall pay a connection charge of [~~\$3,351.00~~] \$3,417.00 per dwelling unit at the time of connection. The owners of properties other than residential properties shall pay a connection fee of [~~\$3,351.00~~] \$3,417.00 per equivalent [~~dwelling~~] domestic consumption unit. For the purposes of this section, an equivalent domestic consumption unit is any use which has water usage or sewer flows of up to [~~58,700~~] 59,243 gallons per year. Any estimate of flows over [~~58,700~~] 59,243 gallons per year or multiple thereof shall be billed as one full additional dwelling unit.

4. This Ordinance will take effect upon final adoption and publication, as provided for by law.

The ordinance published herewith was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Cranbury, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, held on May 13, 2013. It will be further considered for final passage, after public herein thereon, at a meeting of the Township Committee to be held in the meeting room of Town Hall, 23-A North Main Street, in the Township of Cranbury on May 28, 2013 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 Clerk's Office to the members of the general public who shall request the same.

Kathleen R. Cunningham, RMC
Township Clerk