CRANBURY TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE 05-12-09

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND REVISING THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANBURY, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NJ, CHAPTER 113 ENTITLED "PEDDLING AND SOLICITING"

WHEREAS, the Cranbury Township Code regulates peddling and soliciting by requiring any peddler, solicitor or itinerant merchant to obtain a license before engaging in such business within the Township; and

WHEREAS, vendors at a farmers' market do not present the same concerns regarding safety and health as peddlers, solicitors or itinerant merchants; and

WHEREAS, vendors at a farmers' market should be exempt from the licensing requirements imposed on peddlers and solicitors, as long as those vendors post visible identification and address and register with the police department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranbury that the Code of the Township at Cranbury be and hereby is amended as set forth below.

SECTION 1. Chapter 113, Section 3, is amended as follows (insertions <u>underlined</u> and deletions <u>struckthrough</u>):

§ 113-3. Exceptions from requirements.

The requirements of this chapter shall not apply to the following:

- A. Any organization tax exempt under the regulations of the Internal Revenue Service.
- B. Any person honorably discharged from the military services of the United States possessing a peddler's license issued in conformity with N.J.S.A. 45:24-9.
- C. Any person who is an exempt fireman of a volunteer fire department, as defined by N.J.S.A. 45:24-9, possessing a license in conformity with said law.
- D. Any person engaged in the delivery of goods, wares or merchandise or other articles or things in the regular course of business to the premises of persons who had previously ordered the same or were entitled to receive the same by reasons of a prior agreement.
- E. Any school, charitable, political or civic organization, benevolent society, volunteer first-aid or rescue squad, service club or organization not for profit which is located in or has a substantial membership from Cranbury Township, provided that identification assigned by the organization the canvasser represents is carried.

F. Any farmers' market, provided that the farmers' market is sponsored by a nonprofit corporation or a school, charitable or civic organization and provided further that the farmers' market is limited to no more than ten consecutive weeks. Each vendor at any such farmers' market shall post visible identification and address and shall register with the police department.

SECTION 2. Repealer. All ordinances and resolutions, or parts thereof, inconsistent with this Ordinance, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. Severability. If any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudged and the remainder of this Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

SECTION 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage and publication, as required by law.

The ordinance published herewith was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the governing body of the Township of Cranbury, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey held on May 21, 2012. It will be further considered for final passage, after a public hearing thereon, at a meeting of the governing body to be held in the meeting room of Town Hall, 23-A North Main Street, in the Township of Cranbury on June 11, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. and during the week prior to and up to and including the date of such meeting, copies of said ordinance will be made available at the Clerk's Office or on the Township's web site:

www.cranburytownship.org at no charge to the members of the general public who shall request the same.

Kathleen R. Cunningham, RMC

Municipal Clerk