Cranbury Township Ordinance # 06-11-14

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANBURY, IN MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, INCREASING THE SEWER CONNECTION FEE

WHEREAS, Chapter 124 of the Code of the Township of Cranbury ("Code") 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 2010, 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 connection fee 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 124-38 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 <u>underlined</u>; 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 [\$2,319] \$2.920 per dwelling unit at the time of connection. The owners of properties other than residential properties shall pay a connection fee of [\$2,319] \$2.920 per equivalent 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 69,386 gallons per year. Any estimate of flows over 69,386 gallons per year or multiple thereof shall be billed as one full additional dwelling unit.

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

This Ordinance was introduced on First Reading on June 13, 2011 at a meeting of the governing body of the Township of Cranbury, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey. It will be further considered for final passage, after public hearing thereon, at a regular meeting of the Township Committee to be held on Monday, June 27, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. Copies are available at no charge up to and including the week of Second Reading at the Clerk's Office or by accessing the Township web site at: www.cranburytownship.org.

Kathleen R. Cunningham, Clerk