

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 3 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF WHARTON, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:14-141 provides that the governing body of the Borough of Wharton by Ordinance may provide for the appointment of one or more Chaplains to the Police Department; and

WHEREAS, Police Chaplains serve an integral role in providing comfort to members of the Police Department as well as the public and aid in community policing; and

WHEREAS, the Council finds it in the best interest of the Borough of Wharton; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wharton that that Chapter 3, Article III Department of Public Safety, Section 13 Police Department is hereby amended as follows:

§ 315-13. Police Department.

I. Police Chaplain

- 1. POSITION CREATED. The position of Police Chaplain for the Borough of Wharton Police Department is hereby created in accordance with 40A:14-141. The position will be a volunteer position. The position of Chaplain shall be subject to the control of the Chief of Police.**
- 2. QUALIFICATIONS. Any person appointed as Chaplain shall be an ordained clergyman in good standing in the religious body from which he/she is selected. All Chaplains shall be subject to the residency requirements of the Code of the Borough of Wharton. The Chaplain shall have basic training and shall be a certified Police Chaplain credentialed in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Borough of Wharton Police Department and shall be qualified in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:14-141.**
- 3. DUTIES OF POLICE CHAPLAIN. The duties of Police Chaplain shall include, but not be limited to assisting the Borough of Wharton Police Department in death notifications, station house adjustments and any other**

duties that may be assigned by the Chief of Police.

4. *RANK AND SALARY. Any person appointed as Chaplain shall serve in that capacity without Rank or Salary.*
5. *TERM OF OFFICE. A person appointed as Chaplain shall serve for a period of one (1) year from date of appointment and shall continue to serve in that capacity until he/she is either terminated or reappointed with the recommendation of the Chief of Police.*
6. *APPOINTMENT. The Chief of Police may recommend to the Mayor persons that he/she believes meet the qualifications of N.J.S.A. 40A:14-141 as well as the rules and regulations of the Borough of Wharton Police Department with reference to Chaplains, if any. All applicants for the position of Chaplain shall be reviewed by the Chief of Police to determine his/her qualifications in accordance with this Ordinance and shall make recommendations to the Mayor regarding the appointment as Chaplain. The Mayor shall appoint Chaplains in accordance with this Ordinance with the advice and consent of Borough Council.*

First Reading: December 12, 2016
Second Reading: December 27, 2016

ATTEST:

Gabrielle Evangelista,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF WHARTON

WILLIAM CHEGWIDDEN,
MAYOR