

ORDINANCE 2016-29

*Borough of Metuchen
County of Middlesex
State of New Jersey*

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 59-6 AND 59-12(G) OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF METUCHEN INCREASING THE DOG LICENSING FEE AND THE LATE PAYMENT FEES FOR DOG AND CAT LICENSING

WHEREAS, the Board of Health of the Borough of Metuchen has reviewed the fees for the licensing of dogs and cats within the Borough as well as the late payment fees associated with the same; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Health has recommended and requested the Mayor and Borough Council increase the current dog license fees from \$7.00 to \$10.00, and to increase the late payment fees for both dog and cat licensing from \$2.00 to \$5.00; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the Borough of Metuchen deems it in the best interest of the Borough to accept the Board of Health's recommendation and request to increase the aforementioned fees.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Borough of Metuchen that it hereby amends Chapter 59 of the Code of the Borough of Metuchen, entitled, "Animals", specifically § 59-6, shall be hereby amended to state as follows:

§ 59-6 Fees; expiration dates.

A. The person applying for the license and registration tag of a dog shall pay an annual fee of \$10.00 plus such additional fees as established by the state and forwarded to the Department of Health. A fee of \$3 shall be added for unneutered dogs. For each annual renewal the fee for the license for the registration tag shall be the same as for the original license tag. The licenses, registration tags and renewals thereof shall expire on the last day of January of the following year.

B. Commencing March 1 of each year a late fee of \$5.00 will be added to the regular dog license fee.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Council of the Borough of Metuchen that § 59-12(G) of the Code of the Borough is hereby amended to state as follows:

§ 59-12(G) Fees. A license shall be issued after payment of a fee of \$11.20 for each unneutered cat and \$8.20 for each neutered cat. Persons who fail to obtain a license as required within the time period specified in this section will be subject to a delinquent fee of \$5.00, as well such other penalties as provided in § 59-34 of this article.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the remaining sections and subparts of Chapter 59, including but not limited to § 59-12 not referenced above shall remain in full force and effect; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any part of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed or amended to the extent of such inconsistency; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Council of the Borough of Metuchen that this ordinance shall take effect after passage and publication as required by law.

Introduction: November 7, 2016

Date of Publication: November 14, 2016

COUNCILMEMBER	YES	NO	NV	AB	COUNCILMEMBER	YES	NO	NV	AB	
LEIBFRIED	X				MULDOON	X				
GRAYZEL	X				RASMUSSEN	X				
INSERRO	X				WALLACE					
MOTION	GRAYZEL				RASMUSSEN					
X – INDICATES VOTE				AB- ABSENT			NV- NOT VOTING			

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of an ordinance introduced by the Borough Council of the Borough of Metuchen, Middlesex County, New Jersey at a regular meeting held on November 7, 2016

 Susan D. Jackson, RMC
 Borough Clerk

Adopted: December 5, 2016

Date of Publication: December 8, 2016

COUNCILMEMBER	YES	NO	NV	AB	COUNCILMEMBER	YES	NO	NV	AB	
LEIBFRIED	X				MULDOON	X				
GRAYZEL	X				RASMUSSEN	X				
INSERRO	X									
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I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of an ordinance adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Metuchen, Middlesex County, New Jersey at a regular meeting held on December 5, 2016

Susan D. Jackson, RMC
Borough Clerk

ATTEST:

BOROUGH OF METUCHEN

Susan D. Jackson, RMC
Borough Clerk

By: _____
Peter Cammarano
Mayor