

**TOWNSHIP OF LONG HILL
ORDINANCE #419-18**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TOWNSHIP ALARM SYSTEMS ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, Section 4-1.12 of the Township Alarm Systems Ordinance is vague; and

WHEREAS, Township Police Chief Ahmed Naga has recommended that the ordinance be clarified so that the police can continue issuing summonses for five or more false alarms in any one calendar year;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that Chapter IV of the Township Code entitled “General Licensing” is hereby amended as follows:

Section 1. Sections 4-1.12 entitled “Proper Maintenance” and 4-1.14 entitled “Violations and Penalties” in Section 4-1, entitled “Alarm Systems”, are amended to read as follows:

“4-1.12 ~~Proper Maintenance~~ [reserved]”

~~Every person who installs, maintains or uses a warning device to serve an improved property within the Township shall promptly correct or disconnect any faulty device upon notice from the Chief of Police that the system is sounding an inordinate number of false alarms.~~

4-1.14 ~~Violations and Penalties for False Alarms.~~

~~Any person who violates any provision of this section shall, upon conviction, be liable to the penalty stated in Chapter I, Section 1-5. (Ord. No. 12-78; 1967 Code § 4A-14)~~

The penalties for false alarms shall be as follows:

a. In any twelve (12) month period, the following penalties shall apply:

<u>False Alarm Number</u>	<u>Penalty</u>
<u>One-Four</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<u>Five</u>	<u>\$50</u>
<u>Six and succeeding</u>	<u>\$100 per false alarm</u>

Section 2. Any and all other ordinances or parts thereof in conflict or inconsistent with any of the terms hereof are hereby repealed to such extent as they are so in conflict or inconsistent.

Section 3. In case any article, section or provision of this ordinance shall be held invalid in any court of competent jurisdiction, the same shall not affect any other article, section or provision of this ordinance except insofar as the article, section or provision so declared invalid shall be inseparable from the remainder or any portion thereof.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication as required by law.

NOTICE

The foregoing ordinance having been introduced and passed on first reading by the Township Committee of the Township of Long Hill, in the County of Morris on Wednesday, May 9, 2018, will be considered for final passage and adoption at a public hearing held at a meeting beginning at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 13th, 2018 at the Municipal Building, 915 Valley Road, Gillette, New Jersey, when and where or at such time and place to which said meeting may be adjourned, all persons interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance.

Deborah Brooks, RMC, CMR, Clerk

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