

ORD.#29-2020 Ordinance of the Township of Mount Olive, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, Amending Chapter 68, Police Department, to Establish the Position of Police Chaplin.

CLERK:

Delivered to Mayor:

Date: 12/23/2020

Time: 10:30 am

Signed: Susan Gouveia
Deputy Township Clerk
Susan Gouveia

MAYOR:

Action by Mayor:

Approved: ✓

Date: 12-23-20

Vetoed:

Date:

(Reasons for which Mayor has withheld approval of Ordinance, item or part Thereof.)

Signed: [Signature]
Mayor

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Signed: Susan Gouveia
Deputy Township Clerk

ORDINANCE #29 - 2020

**ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT OLIVE, IN THE
COUNTY OF MORRIS AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING
CHAPTER 68, POLICE DEPARTMENT, TO ESTABLISH THE POSITION
OF POLICE CHAPLAIN**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:14-141 authorizes a governing body to adopt an ordinance to provide for the appointment of one or more chaplains to a police department; and

WHEREAS, police chaplains are ordained clergymen and clergywomen in good standing, become members of the police department and provide support to the police department and members of the public; and

WHEREAS, the Mount Olive Chief of Police has recommended establishing the position, which will be without rank or salary; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Township Council find it in the best interest of the Township and its citizens to establish such a position.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Township of Mount Olive, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 68, Police Department, is hereby amended to add new Article IV, Police Chaplain, to read as follows:

Article IV Police Chaplain

§ 68-25 Position Established

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:14-141, the position of Police Chaplain for the Township of Mount Olive is hereby established. The position of Police Chaplain shall be a volunteer position without rank, under the supervision of the Chief of Police or the Chief's designee.

§ 68-26 Appointment

The Chief of Police may recommend annually to the Mayor candidates the Chief believes meet the qualifications of N.J.S.A. 40A:14-141 and any applicable rules and regulations of the Township Police Department. All applicants shall be reviewed by the Chief. Police Chaplains shall be appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Township Council.

§ 68-27 Number and Term

Up to four (4) Police Chaplains may be appointed at any given time, with each appointment for a term of one (1) year.

§ 68-28 Qualifications

Any person appointed as Chaplain shall be an ordained clergyman or clergywoman in good standing in the religious body from which selected. The Chaplain shall be a certified Police Chaplain credentialed in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Township Police Department and shall be qualified in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:14-141.

§ 68-29 Duties and Responsibilities

The duties and responsibilities of the Police Chaplain shall include, but not be limited to, assisting the Mount Olive Police Department in any duties assigned by the Chief of Police that pertain to the Police Chaplaincy, including but not limited to, community policing initiatives and death notifications.

SECTION 2. This Ordinance may be renumbered for purposes of codification.

SECTION 3. If any section, subsection, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances of the Township of Mount Olive that are inconsistent herewith are repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

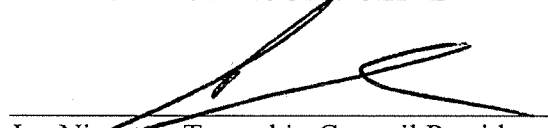
SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days following final passage, approval, and publication as required by law.

Introduced: 12/8/2020

Adopted: 12/22/2020

Effective Date: 1/15/2021

TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT OLIVE



Joe Nicastro, Township Council President

ATTEST:



Susan Gouveia, Deputy Township Clerk