Ord.#32-2011 An Ordinance of the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive Providing for Change to Water Charges Pursuant to Section 196-28 of the Mount Olive Township Code.

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## AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT OLIVE PROVIDING FOR CHANGE TO WATER CHARGES PURSUANT TO SECTION 196-28 OF THE MOUNT OLIVE TOWNSHIP CODE

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Mount Olive has requested changes to be made to a previous Ordinance as follows:

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

Article IV of the Mount Olive Township Code entitled "Water Services" Section 196-28 entitled "Payments Penalties for Non-Payment" is hereby amended as follows:

- A. Bills rendered shall be due within 30 days from the date thereof. Interest shall accrue and be due on the unpaid balance at the rate of 1 ½ % per month until such bill and the interest thereon shall be fully paid.
- B. If any bill for water charges or rents or for work done or services provided shall be and remain unpaid for a period of two (2) quarters from the due date thereof, the Water Department shall send a notice by regular mail to the owner of the premises or the entity identified as the water customer. If the bill is not paid within 15 days, the Water Department shall then hand-deliver a notice to the customer and/or place a hanger on the door to the affect that the water service will be shut off until the delinquent charges are paid. If the Water Department determines that there are unusual or extenuating circumstances as a result of the notice, those circumstances shall be taken into consideration. Otherwise, after the giving of the two notices and the lapse of 15 days after the second notice, the water service shall be terminated.
- C. If the water supply to any premises has been discontinued under the provisions of the section, the Water Department shall not turn on and restore the water supply until the owner pays, in full, the bill and all accrued interest and penalties, together with the shutoff fee charged in accordance with this section and a turn-on fee as provided in § 196-43 for restoration of service.
- D. Unpaid water charges or rents and other costs, expenses, penalties and interest is a first lien upon the property pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:31-12 et seq., the water charges shall <u>immediately upon issue of such charges</u> constitute a lien upon the real estate to which the water was furnished. Such lien shall be superior to all other interests except the lien for municipal taxes. Such lien shall be removed when water service charges and the interest accruing thereon shall have been fully paid to the municipality.

E. All charges, interest and fees are payable to the Township of Mount Olive Water and Sewer Department by mail or in person at the office of the Department. No person is authorized to accept or give a receipt for moneys due the Department, except the <u>Tax Collector or Tax Clerk of the Collection Department</u> or their duly designated assistants.

TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT OLIVE

Phil Tobey, Council President

ATTEST: 12/20

Lisa Lashway, Township Clerk