ORDINANCE NO. 2020-13

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOPATCONG, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO AMEND, REVISE AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 203 "STREETS AND SIDEWALKS" TO UPDATE THE FEE REQUIREMENTS FOR STREET OPENING PERMITS IN SECTION 203-14

WHEREAS, applicants for street opening permits must follow the provisions in Section 203-14 of the Code entitled "Procedures for Obtaining Street Opening Permits; and

WHEREAS, applicants for street opening permits are required to furnish application and inspection fees in accordance with Section 203-14D of the Code; and

WHEREAS, the fee requirements in Section 203-14D have not been updated in some time by the Township; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to update the fee requirements to reflect current costs associated with the street opening permit review and inspection process; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren, State of New Jersey, desires to update the requirements for street opening permits in Section 203-14D of the Code;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Lopatcong, County of Warren and State of New Jersey that Chapter 203 of the Code of the Township of Lopatcong be supplemented as follows:

Section One

Section 203-14D of the code shall be replaced in its entirety as follows:

- D. Application and Inspection Fees.
 - (1) Application Fees

(a)	0 to 50 sf.	\$50.00
(b)	51 to 300 sf.	\$300.00
(c)	Over 300 sf.	\$500.00

(2) Inspection Fees

(a)	0 to 50 sf.	\$750.00 per day (\$375.00 per half day)
(b)	51 to 300 sf.	\$750.00 per day (\$375.00 per half day)
(c)	Over 300 sf.	\$750.00 per day (\$375.00 per half day)

Separate checks shall be required for application and escrow fees.

SECTION 2

<u>Severability</u>. The various parts, sections and clauses of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable. If any part, sentence, paragraph, section or clause is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

SECTION 3

Repealer. Any ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed as to their inconsistencies only.

SECTION 4

<u>Effective Date.</u> This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication as provided by law.

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced to pass on first reading at a regular meeting of the Council of the Township of Lopatcong held on December 2, 2020 and ordered published in accordance with the law. Said Ordinance will be considered for final reading and adoption at a regular meeting of the Township Council to be held on December 28, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the Township Council may hear this Ordinance at the Municipal Building, 232 South Third Street, Phillipsburg, NJ at which time all persons interested may appear for or against the passage of said Ordinance.

Margaret B. Dilts, RMC Township Clerk