#### MONROE TOWNSHIP, MIDDLESEX COUNTY

**ORDINANCE NO.:** <u>O-12-2018-049</u>

## ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE AMENDING CHAPTER 78 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED "PERSONNEL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES"

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey as follows:

<u>Section 1</u>. Chapter 78 - of the Code of the Township of Monroe, which chapter establishes personnel policies and procedures within the Township of Monroe shall be amended as follows: (new text in **red** and **underlined**, text to be deleted is **struck**)

§ 78-32.1. Extended sick leave. [Amended 7-2-12 by Ord. No. O-7-2012-018]

#### Paragraph 1 and 2 to be amended and 4 to be removed as follows:

In the event that any employee, with four (4) or more years of continuous service commencing with the date on which status as a permanent employee was obtained, suffers a debilitating sickness or injury during the course of employment, the township may provide his or her gross pay for a period of ninety (90) calendar days, limited to one (1) leave in a twelve (12) month period. At the start of an employee's ninth (9th) year of employment, there will be no limit on the number of leaves in a twelve (12) month period. Extended sick leave may not be utilized until an employee has used all previously accumulated paid time off (i.e sick, vacation and personal time) before he/she is eligible to use extended sick leave time, including any leave awarded during the period of absence. Such requests shall be made in writing, with medical substantiation, to the Business Administrator. The decision whether to grant extended sick leave shall be at the discretion of the Business Administrator after consultation with the Clinical Coordinator Director of Health and Human Resources.

After ninety (90) consecutive days of administrative sick leave, an employee may <u>make a</u> request that the Business Administrator obtain authorization from the Township Council for an additional extended sick leave of up to ninety (90) days <u>which must be approved by the Business Administrator</u>.

During any period of extended sick leave, an employee will accumulate sick days in accordance with any union contract formula or at the rate of one (1) day per month. Extended sick leave may not be utilized until an employee has used all previously accumulated sick leave awarded during the period of absence.

 $\S$  78-34. Maternity leave for employees hired prior to May 1, 2011.

## Paragraph 1 to be amended as follows:

To be eligible for Maternity leave employees must have 2 years of continuous full-time service with the Township as of the date of birth of the child. Maternity leave shall be granted to full time employees with two (2) years or more of full-time service. Paid leave shall consist of twelve (12) weeks in any twenty-four (24) month period regardless of whether those days are before or after delivery. The 60-day leave must be consecutive calendar days and shall run concurrently with the FMLA/FLA.

§ 78-34.1. Maternity leave for employees hired after May 1, 2011.

#### Paragraph 1 to be amended as follows:

To be eligible for Maternity leave employees must have 2 years of continuous full-time service with the Township as of the date of birth of the child. Maternity leave shall be granted to full-time employees with two (2) years or more of full-time service. Paid leave for full-time employees hired after May 1, 2011 shall consist of sixty (60) calendar days in any twenty-four (24) month period regardless of whether those days are before or after delivery. The 60-day leave must be consecutive calendar days and shall run concurrently with the FMLA/FLA.

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### § 78-45. Paydays.

Employees are paid weekly on Fridays. Each paycheck includes earnings for all work performed by the employee through the end of the previous payroll period, as certified by the employee's supervisor to the Payroll Finance Department.

An <u>It shall be mandatory all</u> employees may choose to have his checks distributed to him personally by his department head or have it will be deposited directly into his their bank account. The Treasurer's Office <u>Finance Department</u> computes all deductions and adjustments for all checks. Questions concerning deductions and net pay should be directed to the <u>Treasurer's Office Finance Department</u>. In the event that there are any verified discrepancies in an employee's pay, they will be corrected and adjusted in the next pay period after verification.

Effective January 1, 2020 all employees will be paid on a semi-monthly basis, which is 24 pay periods per year. Paydays will be on the 15<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> of every month, if that happens to be a holiday or weekend the payday will be the previous workday.

Special items such as a clothing allowance, if applicable, may be included in an employee's regular paycheck, in the township's discretion or as set forth in a collective bargaining agreement.

### § 78-55. Use of equipment and vehicles.

# Paragraph to be added to end of section as follows:

The Township may install a global positioning system (GPS) in Township-owned vehicles. In implementing these GPS systems, the Township will ensure compliance with federal, state and local laws governing such usage. The intent of the GPS is to provide an effective deploying resource, improved operational efficiency and customer service. Department Heads will oversee the implementation and operation of the program in their department.

### § 78-58. Smoking.

In accordance with state law and the township's goal of providing a healthy work environment, smoking is not permitted inside any public building <u>or any municipal owned vehicle</u>.

<u>Section 2.</u> All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

<u>Section 3.</u> If any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provisions of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudged, and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication as provided by law.

**SO ORDAINED** as aforesaid.

STEPHEN DALINA, Council President

RECORDED VOTE – INTRODUCTION – December 3, 2018									
COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT			
Councilman Baskin			X						
Councilwoman Cohen	X		X						
Councilman Dipierro			X						
Council V. President Schneider		X	X						
Council President Dalina			X						

### **NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a meeting of the Monroe Township Council held on December 3, 2018. Said Ordinance will again be read and considered for final passage at the next scheduled meeting of the Monroe Township Council to be held on December 26, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the Monroe Township Municipal Building, 1 Municipal Plaza, Monroe Township, New Jersey 08831. At said time and place all persons having an interest in the foregoing Ordinance will be granted an opportunity to be heard concerning the same prior to consideration for final passage by the Council.

PATRICIA REID, Township Clerk

RECORDED VOTE – SECOND READING & FINAL ADOPTION – December 26, 2018								
COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT		
Councilman Baskin		X	X					
Councilwoman Cohen	X		X					
Councilman Dipierro			X					
Council V. President Schneider			X					
Council President Dalina			X					

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# **MAYORAL APPROVAL**

By virtue of the Optional Municipal Charter Law of 1950 and Chapter 3, Section 19 of the Code of the Township of Monroe, my approval of this Ordinance is effected by the affixing of my signature hereto.

ERALD W. TAMBURRO, Mayor

Date signed: 12 27 18