

**TOWNSHIP OF HOPEWELL
MERCER COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

ORDINANCE NO. 13-1566

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT
CHAPTER II – ADMINISTRATION
OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES
OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HOPEWELL**

WHEREAS, the Township desires to have a Committees to provide advice to the governing body and administration with respect the various matters of public importance affecting the Township;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Hopewell, in the County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, that Chapter II – Administration of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Hopewell, be amended and supplemented follows:

SECTION I.

2-5 BODIES, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES AND AUTHORITIES.

2-5.1 Bodies Established.

There shall be the following municipal and inter-municipal bodies:

- a. Local Assistance Board, Welfare;
- b. Environmental Commission;
- c. Board of Health;
- d. ~~Reserved~~ Finance Advisory Committee.
- e. Economic Development Commission;
- f. Planning Board;
- g. Board of Adjustment;
- h. Stony Brook Regional Sewerage Authority;
- i. Shade Tree Advisory Committee;
- j. Municipal Utilities Authority;
- k. Reserved
- l. Historic Sites Committee;
- m. Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee;
- n. Deer Management Advisory Committee.

SECTION II.

2-17B Finance Advisory Co mmittee

2-17B.1 Established

There is hereby established a Finance Advisory Committee within the Township of Hopewell.

2-17B.2 Purpose.

The Committee shall make recommendations to the Township regarding the Township finances and budget.

2-17B.3 Membership and Removal.

- a. *Membership and Appointment.* The Finance Advisory Committee shall be composed of seven members. Five regular members and two alternate members who shall be appointed by the mayor with the advice and consent of

the township committee. The alternate members may participate in all committee discussions but may not vote except in the absence or disqualification of a regular member. A vote shall not be delayed in order that a regular member may vote instead of an alternate member.

- b. *Terms; Vacancies.* The terms of the initial five regular members first shall be as follows: two regular members shall serve for a three-year term; two regular members shall serve for a two-year term; and one regular member shall serve for a one-year term. Thereafter, all future regular members shall be appointed to a three year term. The alternate members shall be appointed for a one year term. Vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner as the initial appointment.
- c. *Removal and Absenteeism.* The Township Committee may remove any member of the Committee for cause by a majority vote after written charges have been served upon the member and after a hearing on such charges at which time the member shall be entitled to be heard in person or by counsel. Absence from three consecutive meetings or from 50 percent of the Committee's regularly scheduled meetings in a year may constitute cause for removal.

2-17B.4 Meetings; Quorum; Rules.

- a. *Meetings.* The Finance Advisory Committee shall meet at least monthly, on such dates and at such times as established by the Committee at its first meeting of the year, which meetings shall be held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Additional meetings may be held at the request of the chairperson or by agreement of a majority of members, provided timely public notice of the meeting is given in accordance with any applicable law. The Committee shall hold its initial organization meeting within 60 days after the final adoption of this section.
- b. *Officers.* The Finance Advisory Committee shall select from its members a chairperson and vice-chairperson to serve as the presiding officer in the absence of the chairperson. The Committee shall also select a secretary whose function shall be to manage minutes of the Committee's meetings and records of the proceedings of the Committee.
- c. *Quorum.* The presence of a majority of the Committee shall constitute a quorum.
- d. *Rules.* The Committee shall have the power to establish rules for the conduct of its meetings.

2-17B.5 Powers and Duties.

The Finance Advisory Committee shall:

- a. Provide guidance and support to the governing body on issues and matters related to the Township finances and budget.
- b. Perform such other advisory duties as requested by the governing body.

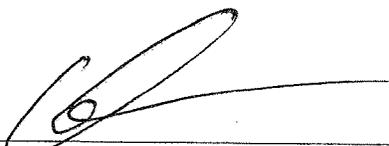
SECTION IV.

In the event that any portion of this Ordinance is found to be invalid for any reason by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall be limited in its effect only to the portion of the Ordinance actually adjudged to be invalid, and the remaining portions of this Ordinance shall be deemed severable therefrom and shall not be affected.

SECTION V.

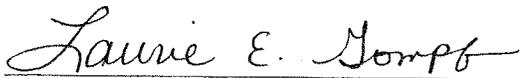
This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with the law.

Date Introduced: January 14, 2013
Dated Advertised: January 17, 2013
Date Adopted: January 28, 2013



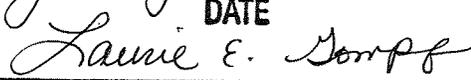
Vanessa Sandom
Mayor

Attest:



Laurie E. Gompf
Municipal Clerk

CERTIFICATION
I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE
A TRUE COPY OF AN *Ordinance* ADOPTED
BY THE HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
AT A MEETING HELD

January 28, 2013
DATE


LAURIE E. GOMPf, MUNICIPAL CLERK