

**TOWNSHIP OF SHREWSBURY
O R D I N A N C E # 2024-03**

**ORDINANCE AMENDING AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE
REGISTRATION, LICENSING AND REGULATION OF DOGS IN THE
TOWNSHIP OF SHREWSBURY, MONMOUTH COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

WHEREAS, the Township of Shrewsbury has established a number of Ordinances establishing fees for participants in various activities including an Ordinance providing for the registration, licensing and regulation of dogs originally adopted on September 2, 1953, amended in June, 1960; amended again October 8, 1991; amended again in 1996; amended again in 2007 and amended again in 2014; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has allowed for increased fees and late fees for the registration and licensing of dogs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED, by the Governing Body of the Township of Shrewsbury, State of New Jersey that the following existing Ordinance shall be amended and supplemented as follows:

SECTION 1 – Said dog license, if paid on or before the thirty-first day of January of each year, shall be \$15.00 for neutered dogs and \$18.00 for dogs that have not been neutered inclusive of the state fee required. In addition, there shall be a late fee of \$7.00. The owner of any dog requesting a duplicate registration tag shall be charged \$2.00 for each additional tag.

SECTION 2 - Every person, business, corporation or association that fails to register and pay the license fee set forth more fully in Section 1 of this Ordinance in accordance with the time schedule set forth in Section 1 of this Ordinance, shall pay a late fee of \$7.00 for each month that the person, business, corporation or association fails to license or renew its license in accordance with Section 1, and shall pay said late fees upon renewal of the license or as a result of enforcement of this Ordinance.

SECTION 3 - Any violation of Section 1 or 2 of this Ordinance shall lead to enforcement in Municipal Court of Shrewsbury Township or other designated Court having a Shared Service Agreement with a minimum fine of \$250.00 for each and every month from the date in which registration and licensing is required if the Defendant has failed to register and pay the License Fee set forth more fully in Sections 1 and 2 of this Ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall take effective immediately upon final adoption and publication in the manner prescribed by law.

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances that are inconsistent herewith are repealed, but only to the extent of such inconsistency.

Township Committee Person introduced the aforesaid Ordinance and Seconded said Ordinance for introduction.

First Reading/Introduction: April 9, 2024

Second Reading/Public Hearing: _____

Adoption: _____

ATTEST: _____
KATRINA THORNTON, Acting Municipal Clerk

APPROVE: _____
Lester Jennings, Mayor

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