Borough of Highlands Public Notice

Please take notice that the following ordinance was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Highlands, in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, on September 15, 2010. It will be further considered for final passage, after public hearing thereon, at a meeting of the governing body to be held at the Municipal Building, 171 Bay Avenue, Highlands, NJ, on October 20, 2010 at 8:00 P.M. At that time, the public is invited to participate in the discussion of the Ordinance. Copies of the Ordinance are available in the Municipal Clerk's Office located at 171 Bay Avenue, Highlands, NJ and are posted on the Display Board at the Municipal Building. Copies are available at no charge to the general public.

O-10-21 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER II OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS SECTION 2-26.2 ENTITLED "FEES FOR RECORDS"

{additions shown in underline, deletions shown in strikeouts}

WHEREAS, The Government Records Council issued an Open Public Records Act Fee Schedule Alert to all municipalities in New Jersey informing them regarding the Appellate Division's decision in Smith v Hudson County Register, 411 N.J. Super. 538 (App. Div. 2010). In said case the Appellate Division held that beginning July 1, 2010, unless and until the Legislature amends OPRA to specify otherwise or some other statue or regulation applies, public agencies must charge requestors of government records no more than the reasonably approximated "actual costs" of copying such records; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Borough of Highlands to be in compliance with recent Fee Schedule requirement.

NOW, THERFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Highlands that Chapter II, Section 2-26.2 is hereby amended as follows:

a. Permit to purchase pistol or revolver and firearms purchaser identification cards, \$5.00 each.

Application to purchase a handgun, \$200.00 \\$2.00 Application to change name/address, \$2.00

b. Police accident reports, \$5.00 each to mail report.

Police accident reports requests made in person for pick up - apply fees from Section

2-26.2 g.

- g. All other documents where multiple copies are not available and are not available are requests for Open Public Records:
 - 1. 1-10 pages: \$0.75 (each) Letter Size Copies \$0.05 (each)
 - 2. 10 20 pages: \$0.50 (each) Legal Size Copies \$0.07 (each)
 - 3. 21 + pages: \$0.25 (each)

The fee schedule provided in the Open Public Records Act, as may be amended from time to time, shall supersede the above schedule to the extent of any inconsistency.

i. Discovery:

- 1. Processing fee for all discovery requests: \$5.00 plus the per page fee as listed in section 2-26.2g.
 - 2. Reproduction of reports: \$15.00
- k. Reproduction of videotapes \$75.00 (each) \$5.00 each
- 1. Reproduction audio cassette tapes/cd's \$25.00 (each) \$5.00 per disk or tape.

Carolyn Cummins Borough Clerk