

**ORDINANCE NO. 2017 - 02**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, REVISE AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 45  
"ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION" OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN,  
HUNTERDON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS  
ON THE BOARD FROM SEVEN TO FIVE.**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40:56A-1 provides that the governing body may by ordinance establish an environmental commission which shall consist of not less than five nor more than seven members; and

**WHEREAS**, Franklin Township's current ordinance provides for a seven-member environmental commission; however, the Township has experienced difficulty finding volunteers to fill the full board; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee wishes to reduce the number of environmental commission members from seven to five to make it easier for the environmental commission to meet its quorum requirements.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Governing Body of the Township of Franklin, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey that Chapter 45, "Environmental Commission," of the Code of Franklin Township shall be amended as follows:

Section 1:

§ 45-1(A)

A. Pursuant to the authority vested in the Township Committee of the Township of Franklin in the County of Hunterdon by virtue of N.J.S.A. 40:56A-1 et seq., there is hereby established an Environmental Commission, to be known as the "Environmental Commission of the Township of Franklin in the County of Hunterdon," which shall consist of ~~seven~~ five members appointed by the Mayor, one of whom shall be a member of the Municipal Land Use Board and all of whom shall be residents of said Township.

Section 2:

All other sections and subsections shall remain unchanged.

Section 3:

Severability. 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 4. Repealer.

Any ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed as to their inconsistencies only.

Section 5. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication.

NOTICE

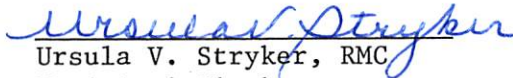
NOTICE is hereby given that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced to pass on first reading at a regular meeting of the Committee of the Township of Franklin held on April 27, 2017, and ordered published in accordance with the law. Said Ordinance will be considered for final reading and adoption at a regular meeting of the Township Committee to be held on May 25, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the Township Committee may hear this Ordinance at the Municipal Building, 202 Sidney Road, Pittstown, New Jersey, at which time all persons interested may appear for or against the passage of said Ordinance.

Ursula V. Stryker  
Township Clerk

Adopted: 5-25-17

  
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Kathryn Blew, Mayor  
Township Committee

Attest:

  
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Ursula V. Stryker, RMC  
Municipal Clerk