

MONROE TOWNSHIP, MIDDLESEX COUNTY

ORDINANCE NO.: O-8-2018-026

ORDINANCE OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
AMENDING CHAPTER 39 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE
ENTITLED, "FEES"

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that Chapter 39 of the Code of the Township of Monroe is hereby amended as follows: (new text is in **red and underlined**, text to be deleted is ~~struck~~)

Chapter 39 FEES

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that Chapter 39 of the Code of the Township of Monroe is hereby amended as follows:

SECTION 1.

§ 39-1. **Title.**

§ 39-2. **Purpose.**

§ 39-3. **Fees enumerated.**

§ 39.4. **Board of Education exemption.**

39-1. Title

This chapter shall be known as the "Codification of Fees and Costs of the Township of Monroe"

39-2. Purpose

This chapter is adopted in order to advise the citizens of the township, and any and all persons doing business with the township, of the various fees charged for services rendered by the departments of township government and to provide ready access to any and all such information.

39-3. Fees Enumerated

The following fees shall be charged by the township for services rendered or licenses or permits issued. All license fees shall be annual unless otherwise noted.

A. General Fees.

B. Licenses and permits from Township Clerk's office. [~~Amended 7-1-02 by Ord. No. 0-7-2002-032;~~ **added 4-4-16 by Ord. No. O-2-2016-003; amended 7-2-18 by Ord. No. O-6-2018-019**]

(3) Chapter 33, Dogs and Other Animals.

[3] Fee for picking up animals.

[a] Any person whose animal shall be picked up by the Animal Control Officer or a police officer shall pay an administration fee of ~~twenty-five dollars (\$25.)~~ **one hundred dollars (\$100.)** for each time that an animal has been picked up and impounded and the full maintenance charge to the holding facility for each full or partial day held, not exceeding four dollars (\$4.) per day or the limit set forth in N.J.S.A. 4:19-15.16.

SECTION 2. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance shall be and the same are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subdivision, 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 – August 6, 2018						
COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Councilman Baskin	X		X			
Councilwoman Cohen			X			
Councilman Dipierro		X	X			
Council V. President Schneider			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 August 6, 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 September 5, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the Monroe Township Municipal Building, 3 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

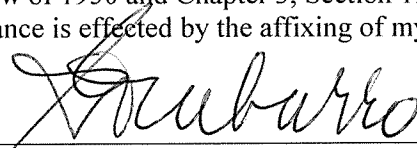
RECORDED VOTE – SECOND READING & FINAL ADOPTION – September 5, 2018						
COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Councilman Baskin	X		X			
Councilwoman Cohen						X
Councilman Dipierro			X			
Council V. President Schneider		X	X			
Council President Dalina			X			

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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.



GERALD W. TAMBURRO, Mayor

Date signed: 9/6/18



Township of Monroe
County of Middlesex

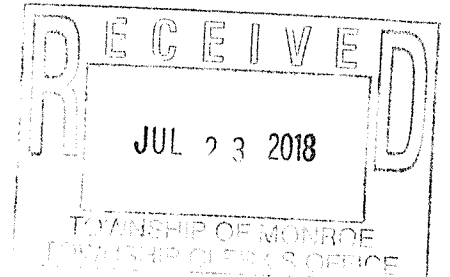
MICHAEL E. LLOYD
Chief of Police

DEPARTMENT OF POLICE:

Municipal Complex
3 Municipal Plaza
Monroe Township, NJ 08831

July 23, 2018

Mrs. Patricia Reid
Township Clerk
Township of Monroe
1 Municipal Plaza
Monroe Township, NJ 08831



Dear Mrs. Reid,

On July 23, 2018, I received a Special Report from Animal Control Officer Steven Cataldo requesting an increase in fees for stray dogs or cats that we may impound (see attached). Currently under Ordinance 33-18, we charge an impound fee of \$25.00. I have reviewed ACO Cataldo's report and it appears that we are considerably lower than our surrounding towns. Therefore, I am in agreement with ACO Cataldo that our fee should be increased to \$100.00 per impounded animal.

Should you need any further information or clarification please let me know.

Sincerely,


Michael E. Lloyd
Chief of Police

Cc – ACO Cataldo

MONROE TOWNSHIP
DEPARTMENT OF POLICE
SPECIAL REPORT

TO: Lt. Robinson

FROM: Steven Cataldo #702

DATE: 7/17/2018

SUBJECT: Fee for seizing and/or impounding of animal

Ma'am:

This special is in reference to the Township Ord. 33-18 regarding the fee for seizing and/or impounding a stray dog or cat. It states any person whose animal shall be seized by the Animal Control Officer, shall pay an administration fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25) to the Township Clerk for each time that an animal has been picked up and impounded.

After speaking with Patricia Reed from the Clerks office we are in agreement that the fee is outdated and should be raised to try to cover the fee that the shelter would charge. I have called around to surrounding towns and was able to get their fees that they charge their residents.

East Brunswick's fee is: \$175

Jamesburg's fee is: \$100 + \$21/day the animal is at the shelter

Spotswood's fee is: \$85

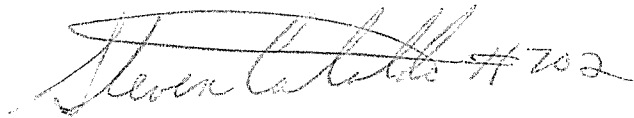
Plainsboro's fee is: \$75

I would recommend going with a flat fee of \$100/animal picked up. We are not trying to make money on someone's lost pet but we should try to recover most of the fee that the Township would be billed by the shelter.

According to Mrs. Reed she would like this special forwarded to her by Friday, 7/20/2018 so she could submit it to the council at the first reading.

Respectfully submitted,
ACO Steve Cataldo #702

Approved
MLY
7/23/18



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7/17/18



Township of Monroe

County of Middlesex

PATRICIA REID
Township Clerk

Municipal Complex
1 Municipal Plaza
Monroe Township, NJ
08831-1900
Phone (732) 656-4573
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Affidavit of Publication

I, Patricia Reid, Township Clerk, of the Township of Monroe, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the attached legal notice is a true copy of such notice, which was published in the Home News Tribune, the official newspaper of Monroe Township and a newspaper of general circulation in the County of Middlesex on August 10, 2018.



Patricia Reid, Township Clerk

Ad Number: 0003089431

Run Dates: 08/10/18

TOWNSHIP OF MONROE NOTICE OF PENDING ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE NO.: O-8-2018-026

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED: "ORDINANCE OF THE MONROE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL AMENDING CHAPTER 39 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE ENTITLED "FEES", has been introduced and passed on first reading at the regular meeting of the Monroe Township Council held on August 6, 2018 and will be further considered for final passage after a Public Hearing during the council meeting to be held on September 5, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Monroe Twp. Municipal Building, One Municipal Plaza, Monroe Twp., N.J. 08831. At said time and place, all persons will be granted the opportunity to be heard concerning this Ordinance prior to its consideration for adoption by Council.

The purpose of this Ordinance is to amend the animal pick up fee from \$25.00 to \$100.00 for any person whose animal is picked up and impounded by the Animal Control Officer or a Police Officer.

The proposed Ordinance in its entirety can be viewed on the Township website, www.monroetwp.com and is on file in the Municipal Clerk's Office. Copies may be obtained without charge between the hours of 8:30am and 4:30pm. Monday through Friday.

PATRICIA REID, Municipal Clerk
(\$25.52)

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Patricia Reid, Township Clerk

Ad Number: 0003145079

Run Dates: 09/10/18

MONROE TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF FINAL ADOPTION

Notice is hereby given that the following entitled Ordinance was introduced and passed on First Reading at the regular meeting of the Monroe Township Council held on August 6, 2018. Furthermore, this Ordinance was adopted after a Public Hearing was held at the September 5, 2018 regular meeting of the Monroe Township Council at One Municipal Plaza, Monroe Township, N.J. 08831 and was thereafter approved and signed by the Mayor on September 6, 2018.

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PATRICIA REID, R.M.C.
Monroe Township Municipal Clerk
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