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ORDINANCE 2026-12

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF BARNEGAT LIGHT, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR THE TENURE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS (INCLUDING THE POSITIONS OF WATER & SEWER OPERATOR) PURSUANT TO NJSA 40A:9-154.6.

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A:9-154.6 provides that a person holding the position as full-time municipal superintendent of public works who has held the position continuously for 5 years or more shall continue to hold the position, notwithstanding he is serving for a fixed term, during good behavior and efficiency and shall not be removed therefrom for political or other reasons except for good cause, upon written charges filed with the municipal clerk and after a public, fair and impartial hearing, where such tenure is granted by ordinance; and

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A:9-154.6a provides that the public works duties of the Superintendent may include water and wastewater duties as part of the Superintendent's duties and employment rights; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor & Borough Council of the Borough of Barnegat Light recognizes the value of stability, continuity and professional expertise in the management of all municipal public works infrastructures; and

WHEREAS, Stuart McGowan holds a valid Public Works Manage Certificate issued by the State of New Jersey on October 20, 2021, as required by NJSA 40A:9-154.6g, and has served full time in the capacity of Public Works Superintendent continuously since said period for not less than 5 years; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Mayor & Borough Council to grant, by ordinance, tenure employment rights to Stuart McGowan, as permitted by State law.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Barnegat Light, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. In accordance with NJSA 40A:9-154.6, Stuart McGowan is hereby granted tenure in office for the position of Superintendent of Public Works, including the duties and salaries for the positions of Water & Sewer Operator.

SECTION 2. All ordinances of parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its enactment after second reading and publication as required by law.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the foregoing ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Barnegat Light, in the County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, on the 14th day of October, 2026 and will be considered for final passage at a regular meeting of said governing body to be held at the Municipal Building, 10 East 7th Street, Barnegat Light, New Jersey, on the 11th day of November, 2026, at 5:00 p.m., at which time and place any persons desiring to be heard upon the same will be given the opportunity to be so heard.

BRENDA L. KUHN, Municipal Clerk