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ORDINANCE NO. 2026-16

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF BARNEGAT LIGHT, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER 22 ENTITLED, BARNEGAT LIGHT OFFICIAL EMERGENCY SERVICES, RECOGNIZING THE BARNEGAT LIGHT FIRST AID SQUAD AS THE OFFICIAL FIRST AID SQUAD FOR THE BOROUGH OF BARNEGAT LIGHT

Chapter 22
BARNEGAT LIGHT OFFICIAL EMERGENCY SERVICES

ARTICLE II
FIRST AID SQUAD

§ 22-10. Recognition of Official First Aid Squad.
The Barnegat Light First Aid Squad hereinafter shall be referred to as BLFAS, duly incorporated, and is hereby recognized as the official First Aid Squad for the Borough of Barnegat Light, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey.
§ 22-11. Membership Qualifications.
The BLFAS shall adopt a policy that no person shall become a member of the BLFAS unless such person:
A. Is at least sixteen (16) years of age.
B. Is lawfully present within the United States; and
C. Is physically fit to perform the duties of the Barnegat Light First Aid Squad as determined by the BLFAS bylaws and policies.
§ 22-12. Acceptance for Membership.
The BLFAS shall adopt a policy that after being accepted for membership in the BLFAS, each person shall submit a written form containing date and place of birth; and
§ 22-13. Criminal History and Background Checks.
A. Criminal History Record Check Required.
The BLFAS shall adopt a policy whereby every applicant for membership in the BLFAS shall submit all documentation and information necessary for the completion of a criminal record background.
B. This policy shall include the following Disqualifying Criminal Convictions. An applicant shall be ineligible for membership if the criminal history record background check reveals a conviction for any of the following:
(1) In the State of New Jersey:
(a) Crimes or disorderly persons offenses involving danger to the person, including but not limited to offenses set forth in N.J.S.A. 2C:11-1 et seq., 2C:12-1 et seq., 2C:13-1 et seq., 2C:14-1 et seq., and 2C:15-1 et seq.;
(b) Crimes or disorderly persons offenses against the family, children, or incompetent persons, including but not limited to offenses set forth in N.J.S.A. 2C:24-1 et seq. and 2C:25-17 et seq.;
(c) Any crime or offense resulting in forfeiture of public office, position, or employment pursuant to N.J.S.A. 2C:51-2;
(d) Any theft offense under Chapter 20 of Title 2C of the New Jersey Statutes;
(e) Any offense involving a controlled dangerous substance or controlled substance analog under Chapter 35 of Title 2C of the New Jersey Statutes, except N.J.S.A. 2C:35-10(a)(4), occurring within the preceding five (5) years; or
(f) Any crime of the fourth degree or higher occurring within the preceding ten (10) years.
(2) Out-of-State Convictions.
Any conviction in another state or jurisdiction for conduct which, if committed in New Jersey, would constitute a crime or disorderly persons offense described in this section.
C. Other Criminal Offenses.

The policy may establish that an applicant shall be ineligible for membership if the BLFAS determines that any criminal conviction negatively impacts the health, safety, or welfare of the BLFAS or the residents of the Borough.

D. Removal Upon Conviction.

Any member convicted of a crime or disorderly persons offense that would constitute a disqualifying offense under this section shall be removed from membership upon notification to the BLFAS of his or her conviction.

E. Motor Vehicle Driver History Abstract. Restrictions on Operation of First Aid Squad vehicles. The BLFAS shall adopt a policy that no individual shall be authorized to operate BLFAS vehicles if the individual's motor vehicle driver history abstract reveals: More than three (3) moving violations within the preceding twenty-four (24) months; or conviction within the preceding five (5) years of any of the following offenses:

(a)Driving While Intoxicated (DWI) or Driving Under the Influence (DUI);

(b)Leaving the scene of an accident.

(c)Reckless driving.

(d)Homicide or assault by auto; or

(e)Eluding a law enforcement officer.

F. Use of Information.

Information obtained pursuant to this section shall be used solely for lawful purposes and in accordance with the Driver's Privacy Protection Act.

G. Waiver. The BLFAS shall adopt a policy whereby The Board of Trustees may waive, with notice to the Municipal Clerk, any violation of its criminal or Driver's History requirements upon a sufficient showing of rehabilitation, remoteness of the offense, or other evidence demonstrating that the applicant or member does not present a risk to the health, safety, or welfare of the residents of the Borough.

§ 22-14. Election to Membership.

Applicants may be elected to membership in the BLFAS as set forth in its Bylaws.

§ 22-15. Records and Reports of Attendance.

An accurate record of attendance shall be maintained by an officer of the BLFAS and reported to the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Barnegat Light for review and approval by the Governing Body for the purpose of calculating eligibility for LOSAP contributions.

§ 22-16. Removal from Membership.

A. Any member of the BLFAS may be removed as set forth in its Bylaws.

§ 22-17. Barnegat Light first Aid Squad Bylaws.

The operations and administration of the BLFAS shall be governed by the bylaws of the BLFAS, as adopted and amended from time to time, provided that such bylaws are not inconsistent with applicable 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 11th day of November, 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 9thday of December, 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