ORDINANCE #992

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF OCEANPORT, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY CREATING THE POSITION OF BOROUGH HISTORIAN PURSUANT WITH N.J.S.A. 40:10A ET. SEQ.

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:10A-4 provides that the governing body of the Borough of Oceanport by Ordinance may provide for the appointment of a local historian; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council finds it in the best interest of the Borough of Oceanport to establish said position in order to carry out a historical program for but not limited to the upcoming 100th Anniversary of the Borough's incorporation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Oceanport the following:

SECTION 1. Position created.

There is hereby created the position of Borough Historian for the Borough of Oceanport.

SECTION 2. Appointment; term.

The Borough Historian shall be appointed by the Mayor and Borough Council for a term of one year during the annual Borough reorganization meeting and serves at the pleasure of the Mayor and Borough Council.

SECTION 3. Compensation; expenses.

The position of Borough Historian shall be served without compensation, except the Borough Council may annually appropriate such funds as it may deem necessary to reimburse the Borough Historian for expenses incurred in the performance of the duties and responsibilities of the office.

SECTION 4. Clerical assistants.

The Borough Historian may employ such clerical assistants as may be necessary in order to carry out the duties and responsibilities of the office, within the limits of the funds appropriated and made available by the Borough Council in the annual budget appropriation.

SECTION 5. Powers and responsibilities.

The Borough Historian shall have the following powers and responsibilities as provided by N.J.S.A. 40:10A-7:

- A. The Borough Historian shall carry out an historical program, including but not restricted to collecting, preserving and making available materials relating to the history of the Borough of Oceanport. The Borough Historian shall store such materials in such manner as to ensure their preservation and shall notify the State Archivist, New Jersey Historical Commission, County Local Historian and the Mayor and Borough Council of any materials which should be acquired for preservation. Upon leaving the position of Borough Historian, he or she shall turn over all materials, records and reports to the possession of the successor to the office, if then appointed, or to the Mayor and Borough Council until such successor shall be appointed.
- B. The Borough Historian shall make an annual report to the Mayor and Borough

Council stating all the work performed and accomplished during that year. The Borough Historian shall transmit a copy of such report to the New Jersey Historical Commission. The New Jersey Historical Commission may advise the Borough Historian of general guidelines along which its historical program may be implemented.

- C. The Borough Historian may research, write and cause to have published a municipal history of the Borough of Oceanport and may recommend appropriate historical materials for publication.
- D. The Borough Historian may assist any historical commission which may exist or be established within the Borough of Oceanport, as well as advise the Mayor and Borough Council concerning the acquisition, administration, use and disposition of any landmark or historic site, including such places in the Borough of Oceanport included on the New Jersey Register of Historic Places. Such advice may be furnished to the Historic Sites Section, Department of Environmental Protection, by the Borough of Oceanport.
- E. The Borough Historian shall assist in projects of commemoration, including the erection of monuments, historic markers and guide signs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Ordinance shall take effect after final passage and publication and as provided by law

APPROVED ON FIRST READING

DATED: September 20, 2018

JEANNE SMITH
Clerk of the Borough of Oceanport

ADOPTED ON SECOND READING

DATED: October 18, 2018

JEANNE SMITH
Clerk of the Borough of Oceanport

JOHN F. COFFEY, II Mayor