

BOROUGH OF HILLSDALE  
ORDINANCE NO. 13-11  
(Adoption)

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, REVISE AND SUPPLEMENT THE  
BOROUGH CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HILLSDALE,  
ENTITLED CHAPTER 29, "FIRE DEPARTMENT", MOST  
NOTABLY SECTION 29-6, "BY-LAWS AND RULES OF BOARD OF  
FIRE OFFICERS"**

**WHEREAS**, the Hillsdale Volunteer Fire Department, Board of Fire Officers is currently governed by a set of By-Laws establishing administrative, operational and other functions as to the Fire Department leadership; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Fire Officers wishes to amend their By-Laws and the Borough Code requires any change in Department By-Laws be approved by the Borough Council.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Hillsdale, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that the Borough Code of the Borough of Hillsdale is hereby amended, revised and supplemented as to Chapter 29, Section 6, entitled "Fire Department; By-Laws and Rules of Board of Fire Officers" by revising the Hillsdale Volunteer Fire Department, Board of Fire Officers, By-Laws as follows:

**(1) Section 4, Article 4**

The senior officer from each company is responsible to provide a report to the Clerk(s) with regard to company meetings as well as the condition and maintenance of the apparatus.

**(2) Section 7, Article 8**

If the Chief declines to run for office, or is not elected, the Deputy Chief is automatically a candidate of the Office of Chief and the candidates will continue through the Officers, in descending order of rank until the office is filled.

**(3) Section 7, Article 8a**

If all of the officers are rejected, the nomination of a candidate will be heard from the floor.

**(4) Section 7, Article 9**

**(5) Section 7, Article 9a**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that:

- (1) Any and/or all other ordinances or parts thereof in conflict or inconsistent with any of the terms of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to such extent as they are so in conflict or inconsistent.
- (2) If any part, sections, provisions or the total of this Ordinance shall be held invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, the same shall not affect any other article, section or provision of this Ordinance except insofar as the article, section or provision so declared invalid shall be inseparable from the remainder or any portion thereof.
- (3) This Ordinance, if adopted by the Borough Council shall, within five (5) days after its passage, Sundays excepted, be presented to the Mayor and Borough Clerk. The Mayor shall, within ten (10) days after receiving the ordinance, Sundays excepted, either approve this Ordinance by affixing his signature thereto or return it to the Council by delivering it to the Borough Clerk together with a statement setting forth his objections thereto or any item or part thereof. This Ordinance or any item or part thereof shall not take effect without the Mayor's approval, unless the Mayor fails to return this Ordinance to the Borough Council, as prescribed above, or unless the Borough Council, upon consideration of this Ordinance following its return shall, by a vote of two thirds (2/3rds) of all of the members of the Borough Council, resolve to override the veto.

Council member	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Absent	Abstain
DeGise, Jason					X	
Frank, Douglas		X	X			
Kelley, Thomas						Recused
Looes, Chrisoula			X			
Meyerson, Lawrence	X		X			
Pizzella, Frank			X			

Adopted: October 8, 2013



Susan Witkowski  
Municipal Clerk



Mayor Arnowitz  
Mayor