

BOROUGH OF FREEHOLD

COUNTY OF MONMOUTH

#2023/26

**ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING TITLE 2 (ADMINISTRATION
AND PERSONNEL)**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Freehold (the "Borough") is a public body corporate and politic of the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has undertaken a review and analysis of its code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Freehold as follows:

Section 1

Title 2 "Administration and Personnel" of the Code of the Borough of Freehold shall be amended as follows; additions to the current ordinance are noted in underline

2.44.070 Special and part-time special police officers.

A. Special law enforcement officers may be appointed for terms not to exceed one year, and the appointments may be revoked by the local unit for cause after adequate hearing, unless the appointment is for four months or less, in which event the appointment may be revoked without cause or hearing. Nothing herein shall be construed to require reappointment upon the expiration of the term. The special law enforcement officers so appointed shall not be members of the police force of the local unit, and their powers and duties as determined pursuant to this act shall cease at the expiration of the term for which appointed. Special law enforcement officers shall be deemed to be unclassified positions.

B. One full-time special law enforcement officer may be appointed as set forth hereinabove. Part-time special law enforcement officers may be appointed as needed, provided that the number of Class Two special officers shall not exceed twenty-five (25) percent of the regular officers, or as proscribed by law. Part-time special officers may be employed for no more than twenty (20) hours per week except as permitted by N.J.S.A. 40A:14-146.6.

1. Class One Special Law Enforcement Officers (SLEO I) are authorized to perform routine traffic details, spectator control and other similar duties. Class One officers shall be empowered to issues summons for disorderly persons and petty disorderly person's offenses, violations of municipal ordinances and violations of Title 39. Class one officers are not authorized to carry a firearm and shall not be assigned to any duty which may require the carrying of a firearm. Such officers are subject to the qualifications and provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:14-146.10. et seq., including terms of office.

2. Class Two Special Law Enforcement Officers (SLEO II) authorized to exercise full police powers and duties similar to those of a permanent regularly appointed full-time police officer. Class two officers may only carry a firearm while engaged in the actual performance of the officer's official duties and when specifically authorized by the Chief of Police. Such officers are subject to the qualifications and provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:14-146.10. et seq., including terms of office.

3. Class Three Special Law Enforcement Officers (SLEO III) shall be retired regular police officers and who may from time to time be appointed and shall serve at the pleasure of the governing body for a term not to exceed one year, which officers shall not be members of the regular police force but shall nevertheless be under the control and supervision of the Chief of Police for use solely as school security officers as detailed in N.J.S.A. 40A:14-146.10, et seq., as necessary.

Section II

If any part of this Ordinance shall be deemed invalid such part shall be deemed severable and the invalidity thereof shall not affect the remaining part of this Ordinance.

Section III

Any Ordinance or portions thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed and superseded.

Section IV

This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with Law.

Introduction: October 16, 2023

Public Hearing/Adoption: November 20, 2023