

**TOWN OF CLINTON**  
**HUNTERDON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**  
**ORDINANCE # 23-26**

**AN ORDINANCE CREATING THE POSITION OF CORPORAL WITHIN THE TOWN OF CLINTON POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council of the Town of Clinton desires to create the position of corporal within the Town of Clinton Police Department; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Clinton, the County of Hunterdon, and State of New Jersey as follows:

**SECTION 1.** Section 18-9 of the Code of the Town of Clinton is renamed “Chief of Police; Sergeant; Corporal.”

**SECTION 2.** Section 18-9 of the Code of the Town of Clinton is amended by adding subsection (c), entitled “Corporal,” as follows:

C. Corporal of Police

(1) The Council may appoint one (1) Corporal of Police, who shall perform such duties as from time to time are prescribed and set forth in the police rules and regulations as promulgated under § 18-5. The Council shall not permanently appoint any officer to the position of Corporal of Police until they have served for at least one year as a Probationary Corporal of Police and until:

(a) They have been recommended to the position by the Chief of Police or Director of Law and Public Safety; and

(b) Their performance has been fully and completely evaluated by the Police Committee, and the Police Committee has recommended their permanent appointment to the Town Council. The evaluation may include performance testing, psychological testing, personal interviews, and such other techniques as may be appropriate within the discretion of the Police Committee.

(2) Probationary Corporal of Police. The Town Council may appoint a Probationary Corporal of Police. They shall be appointed for a term of one year. The Town Council may reappoint them for an additional term of six months, but in no case shall their term as Probationary Corporal exceed 18 months.

(3) Supervision of Probationary Corporal of Police. A Probationary Corporal shall have the duties and responsibilities as prescribed in the police rules and regulations

for a Corporal of Police, but they shall work under the close scrutiny and direction of the Chief of Police or Director of Law and Public Safety.

**SECTION 3.** All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are repealed as to such inconsistencies.

**SECTION 4.** If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

**SECTION 5.** This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication according to law.

TOWN OF CLINTON

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
JANICE KOVACH, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CECILIA COVINO, Municipal Clerk

## **NOTICE**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced and passed on the first reading by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Clinton, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey on December 13 2023, at the Clinton Town Municipal Building located at 43 Leigh Street, Clinton, New Jersey. The Ordinance will be considered for second and final reading at a meeting of the Town Council December 27, 2023 or as soon thereafter as the matter may be reached and considered, at the Clinton Town Municipal Building located at 43 Leigh Street, Clinton, New Jersey. At that time, the public is invited to ask questions, raise objections, or provide public comment with regard to the proposed adoption of this Ordinance.

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Cecilia Covino, RMC/CMC/CMR,RMC