

TOWNSHIP OF LUMBERTON
ORDINANCE NO. 2024 - 02
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 94 OF THE
LUMBERTON TOWNSHIP CODE ENTITLED
“ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES”

WHEREAS, Chapter 94 of the Township Code allows for consumption of alcoholic beverages in connection with public celebrations or similar special events subject to authorization by Township Committee by way of permit; and

WHEREAS, Township events, including food truck events, Halloween, and other special events and community celebrations in the Township have been popular with residents; and

WHEREAS, Township Committee of the Township of Lumberton desires continue to pursue these types of events moving forward; and

WHEREAS, notwithstanding the popularity of these events, the Township Committee of the Township of Lumberton desires to more formally regulate alcohol consumption and open containers at these events;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED, that the Township Committee of the Township of Lumberton, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey that Chapter 94 of the Lumberton Township Code entitled “Alcoholic Beverages” is hereby amended as follows:

SECTION 1. AMENDED LANGUAGE.

Section 7. C. Exceptions. The Township Committee, in connection with public celebrations or similar special events, may, by written permit, specifically authorize the consumption of alcoholic beverages in a public park, square, parking lot or other public place or area or portion thereof, as specified in such permit and on the date and the hours therein specified, subject to conditions as set forth in the approved permit.

(1) The governing body of the Township of Lumberton approves the use of outdoor open container liquor containers consistent with this section at Village Green Park, the Municipal Complex, and other Township owned property as approved by permit for Township sponsored events.

(2) Conditions under which a person may consume an alcoholic beverage under subsection C(1) of this section:

- i. The person must be at least 21 years of age;
- ii. No open containers shall be permitted before 11:00 a.m. or after 11:00 p.m.;

- iii. Alcoholic beverages consumed in the area set forth in subsection C(1) must have been purchased from an authorized vendor with any applicable permits and approvals from the Township and ABC;
- iv. All alcoholic beverages must be in a plastic cup;
- v. The alcoholic beverage container may not exceed 16 fluid ounces;
- vi. No open container of an alcoholic beverage may be removed from the area set forth in subsection C(1) above;
- vii. No open container of an alcoholic beverage may be consumed in any motor vehicle whether or not in the area set forth in subsection C(1) above.

(3) Any permitted provider subject to this subsection found to be in violation may have their permit revoked by Township Committee. Such violation could be grounds for denial of permit application by the provider under this subsection in the future.

Section 2. Repealer, Severability and Effective Date.

A. Repealer. Any and all Ordinances inconsistent with the terms of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of any such inconsistencies.

B. Severability. In the event that any clause, section, paragraph or sentence of this Ordinance is deemed to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, then the Township Committee hereby declares it intent that the balance of the Ordinance not affected by said invalidity shall remain in full force and effect to the extent that it allows the Township to meet the goals of the Ordinance.

C. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect upon proper passage in accordance with the law.

LUMBERTON TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

ACTION UPON INTRODUCTION:

COMMITTEE MEMBER	MOTION	2 ND	YES	ABSTAIN	NO	ABSENT
L. Faye			X			
G. LaPlaca			X			
R. Rodriguez		X	X			
K. Hatfield	X		X			
T. Benson			X			

ACTION UPON ADOPTION:

COMMITTEE MEMBER	MOTION	2 ND	YES	ABSTAIN	NO	ABSENT
L. Faye		X	X			
G. LaPlaca			X			
R. Rodriguez	X		X			
K. Hatfield			X			
T. Benson			X			

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Ordinance that was Introduced after First Reading at a meeting of the Lumberton Township Committee held on February 1, 2024, and adopted after a Public Hearing held at the Lumberton Township Committee Meeting of March 7, 2024.

Bobbie Quinn

Bobbie Quinn, RMC
Lumberton Township Clerk

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