

**BOROUGH OF NORWOOD**

**ORDINANCE NO. 13:12**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 50 OF THE CODE  
OF THE BOROUGH OF NORWOOD REGARDING THE  
ORGANIZATION OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of this ordinance is to amend Chapter 50 of the Code of the Borough of Norwood to revise the organization of and line of authority in the Norwood police department pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:14-118.

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

Section 1: Chapter 50 of the Code of the Borough of Norwood ("Code") is amended so that the subsections 50-1 will state the following:

§50-1. Police Department, Members, Line of Authority.

- A. The police department of the Borough of Norwood is hereby reestablished, ratified, and confirmed. The department will consist of the following members: one (1) chief of police, one (1) captain, five (5) sergeants, and as many patrol officers that the Mayor and Council may from time to time deem necessary and proper. One (1) sergeant and one (1) patrol officer may be members of the detective bureau.
- B. The line of authority and relative rank of the police department will be in the following order, beginning with the highest rank: chief, captain, sergeant, and patrol officer, except that the detective sergeant will report to the chief.

Section 2: A new section 50-8 of the Code will be added to state:

§50-8. Police Captain.

The police captain will have the following powers and duties in addition to those that may be prescribed by other laws or ordinances:

- A. He or she will assume command of the police department whenever the chief of police is absent or is unable to exercise command and will perform all other duties that are assigned by the Chief of Police.
- B. He or she will frequently test the knowledge and proficiency of all the officers assigned to his or her command and will inspect conditions of their posts and assume the responsibility of seeing that all general and special orders of the department are carried out.
- C. He or she will promptly obey all orders received from the chief of police will carefully study and thoroughly understand all rules, regulations and orders; and will note any case of misconduct or neglect of duty by members of the police department.

Section 3: Code subsection 50-9 establishing the position of Police Lieutenant is deleted and that position is hereby abolished in the Borough's police department.

Section 4: Code Section 50-15, "Detective Bureau," is amended in subsections (C) and (D) to state:

- C. The chief of police may assign up to two members of the department to duty in the Detective Bureau, and may change these assignments at any time that the chief deems appropriate.

D. The police officers assigned to the Detective Bureau will be designated as detective sergeant and detective. They will be paid the salaries and other compensation that the Mayor and Council established by ordinance.

Section 5: All references to "Lieutenant" in Code Section 50-3 are amended to refer to "Captain."

Section 6: All ordinances or parts of ordinances that are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed, but only to the extent of any inconsistencies.

Section 7: The provisions of this ordinance are severable. If any part of this ordinance is declared to be unconstitutional or invalid by any court, the remaining parts of this ordinance will remain in full force and effect.

Section 8: This ordinance will take effect upon final reading and final approval and publication according to law.

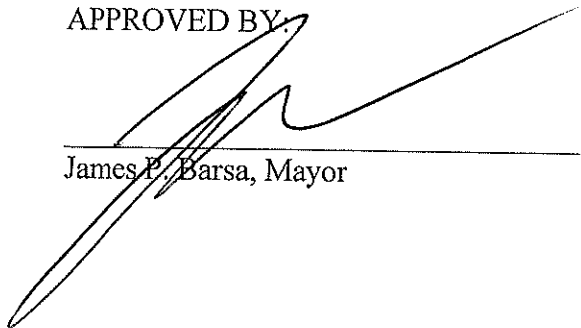
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ATTEST:

  
Lorraine L. McMackin, Borough Clerk

APPROVED BY:

  
James P. Barsa, Mayor

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