TOWNSHIP OF HAINESPORT

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-15

ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 130 OF THE CODE OF TOWNSHIP OF HAINESPORT, ENTITLED "PROPERTY, ABANDONED AND VACANT."

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Township Committee of the Township of

Hainesport, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey that Chapter 130 of the Code of the

Township of Hainesport is amended as follows:

ARTICLE I. AMENDED SECTIONS.

A. Section 130-5, entitled "Criteria for determination of abandonment," is

hereby amended to add subsection D:

"D. After the 60-day period as outlined in this section above, the Township must send notice to the property owner. The notice must include the abandonment factors of § 130-5 applicable to the property. If after 20 days from the Township's notice to the property owner the property owner provides no explanation for, response to, or remedy to the cited abandonment factors, the property may then be subject to the registration requirements of this section."

B. Section 130-11, entitled "Fee schedule," is hereby amended to read as follows:

"A. The annual registration fee for an abandoned property shall be \$250 and shall be prorated for registration statements received less than 10 months prior to the due date."

C. Section 130-14, entitled "Violations and penalties," is hereby amended to read as

follows:

- "A. Any person(s) who is found to be in violation of the provisions of this chapter shall be subject to a penalty as specified in § 1-1 of the Township Code. Every day that a violation continues shall constitute a separate and distinct offense. Fines assessed under this section shall be recoverable from the owner.
- "B. For purposes of this section, failure to file a registration statement within 30 calendar days after a building becomes vacant property or within 30

calendar days after assuming ownership of a vacant property, whichever is later, or within 10 calendar days or receipt of notice by the municipality, and failure to provide correct information on the registration statement, or failure to comply with the provisions of such provisions contained herein, shall be deemed to be violations of this chapter.

"C. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 55:19-98, any fine(s) or cost(s) associated with cleaning up the property that remains uncollected or unpaid, may by permission of the court, become a lien upon the property placed by Public Officer, which lien shall hereafter form part of the taxes next to be assessed and levied upon said lands, the same to bear interest at the same rate as taxes to be collected and enforced by the same officers and in the same manner as taxes."

ARTICLE IV. REPEALER; SEVERABILITY; EFFECTIVE DATE

- A. Any and all Ordinances or provisions thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance shall be and are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.
- B. If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall only apply to the section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision and the remainder of this Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.
- C. This Ordinance shall take effect upon proper passage in accordance with the law.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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The Ordinance published herewith was introduced and passed upon first reading at the regular meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Hainesport held on December 14, 2021. It will be further considered for passage after a public hearing at the special meeting to be held on December 28, 2021 at the Municipal Building, One Hainesport Centre, Hainesport, New Jersey at 5:00 PM at which time and place any persons desiring to be heard upon the same will be given an opportunity to be heard. During the week prior to and up to and including the date of such meeting or further consideration, copies of said Ordinance in its entirety may be obtained from the Township Clerk.

Dated: December 14, 2021

Paula L. Kosko, RMC, Township Clerk

Township Administrator

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Levinson	X		X			
MacLachlan			X			
Clauss		X	X		2	
Montgomery			X			
Gilmore			X			

NOTICE OF FINAL PASSAGE

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Notice is hereby given that Ordinance No. 2021-15 as entitled above has been finally adopted on final reading by the governing body of Hainesport Township after a public hearing at a meeting held on December 28, 2021. Said Ordinance shall take effect in accordance with the law.

ATTEST:		* 9						
Dated: 01.03.2022			Paula L. Kosko, RMC, Township Clerk Township Administrator					
ACKNOWLEDGMENT	OF							
APPROVAL BY:								
Dated: 12/29/2021 LEILA GHLMORE Mayor of Hainesport Township								
	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent		
Levinson			X					
MacLachlan	X		X					
Clauss		X	X					
Montgomery			X					

Introduced:

December 14, 2021

First Publication:

December 17, 2021

Adoption:

Gilmore

ATTECT.

December 28, 2021

Final Publication:

January 4, ZUZZ

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