



MINE HILL TOWNSHIP

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MEMORANDUM

To: Residents and Businesses, Township of Mine Hill

From: Sam Morris, Mayor

Date: December 3, 2019

**Re: Benefits of Stormwater Ordinances
Municipal Stormwater Regulation Program
Township of Mine Hill, Morris County, NJ**

In February 2004, the State of New Jersey established a Municipal Stormwater Regulatory Program that is applicable to all municipalities in the State, including the Township of Mine Hill. The Township of Mine Hill was required under the program to obtain a permit and comply with the terms and provisions of the permit.

The Municipal Stormwater and Regulatory Permit that was issued by the State of New Jersey to the Township of Mine Hill contains a number of requirements including, but not limited to local public education on stormwater issues, continuing maintenance of stormwater facilities owned by both the municipality and private property owners, good housekeeping practices at all Township Public Works facilities, compliance with the New Jersey Stormwater Rules with respect to the design and construction of new stormwater management facilities, etc. The Township of Mine Hill has been performing work since the inception of the permit program in 2004 to comply with the permit requirements.

One of the requirements that the Township had to comply with following the implementation of the program was the adoption of various ordinances to help reduce the amount of pollutants being discharged to waterways including:

1. Pet Waste Ordinance
2. Wildlife Feeding Ordinance
3. Litter Control Ordinance
4. Improper Disposal of Waste Ordinance
5. Containerized Waste/Yard Waste Collection Ordinances
6. Private Storm Drain Inlet Retrofitting Ordinance
7. Illicit Connection Ordinance

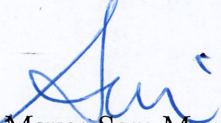
These ordinances are all incorporated into the Township's Code, which can be found online at <https://ecode360.com/MI3185>.

Each of these ordinances is an important component to the Township's overall goal of reducing pollutant loading in waterways that are situated in the community. For example, the pet waste ordinance requires pet owners to pick-up after their pets to prevent animal wastes, which contain coliform bacteria that are harmful to our health, from being discharged into waterways. Furthermore, the Litter Control Ordinance encourages the reuse and recycling of materials to the extent possible and the proper disposal of wastes to lessen the potential for waste being discharged to waterways in the community.

It is my hope as Mayor, that you will assist the Township in its efforts to comply with its Municipal Stormwater Regulatory Permit by complying with the above captioned ordinances. Observance of and compliance with these ordinances will result in less wastes and a cleaner community.

If you have any questions or clarifications regarding the Township's Stormwater Regulatory Program, please do not hesitate to call me at (973) 479-6874.

Very truly yours,



Mayor Sam Morris

cc: Amanda Macchia, RMC, Township Clerk
Katelyn Wild, Township Treasurer
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