COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT

Between

THE TOWNSHIP OF EASTAMPTON BURLINGTON COUNTY NEW JERSEY



THE EASTAMPTON POLICE FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE LODGE #146



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PREAMBLE

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into by the FOP and between the Township of Eastampton, hereinafter referred to as the "Township"; and the Eastampton Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #146 has as its purpose the promotion of harmonious employee relations between the Township and the FOP, in the best interests of the residents of Eastampton, the establishment of an equitable, orderly and peaceful procedure for the resolution of differences and setting forth of the full agreement between the parties concerning the establishment of salaries, hours of work and other terms and conditions of employment.

ARTICLE I

RECOGNITION

The Township hereby recognizes Eastampton FOP Lodge #146 as the exclusive collective negotiations agent for all police officers, detectives, and police sergeants employed full-time and part-time by the Township. References to "member of the FOP," "FOP member," or similar reference mean bargaining unit members as defined by this clause.

ARTICLE II

MANAGEMENT RIGHTS

The Township shall have the right to determine all matters not subject to mandatory negotiations as defined by 34:13A-5.1-et.seq, concerning the management or administration of the police department, subject to the provisions of this Agreement.

All discretionary or permissive language contained within the Family Medical Leave Act ("FMLA"), the New Jersey Family Leave Act ("NJFLA"), the New Jersey Security and Financial Empowerment Act ("NJ SAFE Act") (P.L. 2013, c.82) and regulations promulgated pursuant to those statutes or other leave laws shall be a management prerogative. Leave time covered under the FMLA, NJFLA, NJ-Safe Act or other leave law shall be designated as such for any time off covered under those laws. To the extent permitted by law, all absences or leaves which are also covered under any of the foregoing laws shall run at the same time.

ARTICLE III

NON-DISCRIMINATION

The Township and the FOP agree that the provisions of this Agreement shall be applied equally to all bargaining unit members of the FOP in compliance with applicable law against discrimination as to race, color, creed, national origin, age, sex, political affiliation or membership of legitimate activity in the FOP. All references in this Agreement to employees of the male gender are used for convenience only and shall be construed to include both male and female employees.

ARTICLE IV

FOP RIGHTS

1. Right to Organize.

Pursuant to Chapter 303, Public Laws, the Township hereby agrees that every member of the FOP shall have the right to freely organize, join and support the FOP for the purpose of engaging in collective negotiations and other concerned activities for mutual aid and protection. As a municipal government exercising governmental authority under the laws of the State of New Jersey, the Township undertakes and agrees that it shall not discourage, deprive, or coerce any member of the FOP in the enjoyment of any rights conferred by Chapter 303, Public Laws 1968, or by other laws of the State of New Jersey, or conferred by the Constitutions of the State of New Jersey and the United States; that it shall not discriminate against a member of the FOP with respect to hours, wages, or any other terms and conditions of employment by reason of his or her membership in the FOP, his or her participation in all activities of the FOP collective negotiations or his or her institution of any grievance, complaint, or proceeding under this Agreement.

2. Activity with Pay

The Township agrees that during working hours, on its premises if possible and without loss of pay, properly designated and mutually agreed upon, FOP representative shall be allowed to: (a) represent FOP members in grievance proceedings arising under this Agreement; (b) attend negotiation meetings with the Township if designated as a member of the negotiation team; and (c) attend scheduled meetings of the FOP upon at least one week's advance notice to the Chief of Police, provided such attendance does not impair the police functions to be performed, and further provided they may attend emergency meetings of the FOP for purposes of action on a collective negotiation contract, with twenty-four (24) hours' notice to the Chief of Police, such attendance not impairing the police function to be performed.

3. Bulletin Board

The Township agrees to furnish a bulletin board of approximately 30 by 30 inches in size in a convenient location, determined by the Township, within the police department facilities for the exclusive use of the FOP.

The FOP shall limit its postings to notices, bulletins, reports and similar materials which shall not contain any profane or obscene matters or defamatory of any individual or the Township. The FOP shall not post-election campaign materials. Postings shall be signed by an authorized representative of the FOP.

4. Use of Facilities and Equipment.

The FOP shall have the right to use the public meeting room in the Township municipal building, at a reasonable hour for meetings, subject to coordination of facility availability with the Township.

In addition, the FOP may use the Township photocopy machine during the 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. shift, when it is not otherwise in use, upon payment of \$0.5 copy which shall be billed monthly.

5. Press Representative.

The FOP press representative, or his designee, shall not have any action taken against him by the Township for information released through the FOP, provided that this information is clearly designated as an official statement of the FOP, and further provided the information shall be relative to FOP business arising under this contractual agreement.

6. State FOP Meeting

The Township shall grant one (1) member of the FOP leave time to attend the duration of the State FOP meetings, limited to one (1) meeting per month, and to include travel time, without loss of time or pay. Said leave shall only be granted when there is sufficient police coverage, and there is NO overtime expenditure associated with said leave, and that the police function is not impaired. At the completion of the State meeting, the officer attending shall be required to return to work and resume his/her responsibilities, UNLESS there have been previous approved leave time arrangements made. In the event that the officer scheduled to attend the meeting is advised that an officer on his/her shift has taken "unscheduled" leave time (i.e.: sick, emergency day, etc.), the officer shall not be granted leave time to attend the meeting. THERE SHALL BE NO OVERTIME COST(S) ASSOCIATED WITH THIS LEAVE AGREEMENT, and the attending officer's primary responsibility is to ensure adequate police coverage. The Chief of Police shall be notified at least seven (7) days in advance as to which member will be attending, and the location of the meeting.

ARTICLE V

MILITARY LEAVE

All employees shall be granted a leave of absence for field training in accordance with the following provisions:

- 1. Any employee of the Eastampton Township Police Department who is a member of the organized reserve of the Army of the United States, United States Naval Reserve, National Guard, United States Air Force Reserve, or the United States Marine Corp Reserve or any other organization affiliated therewith, shall be entitled to leave of absence from respective duty without loss of pay or time on all days on which he/shall be engaged in training, which period shall not exceed two (2) weeks in a calendar year. Such leave of absence shall be in addition to the regular annual vacation allowed such employee.
- 2. A member called into other extended service with the Armed Forces shall be placed on leave without pay for a period of such service.
- 3. After eighteen (18) months service, any member entering extended active military service with the Armed Forces of a voluntary basis during wartime and on an involuntary basis during peace shall be granted (30) days salary in the form of military leave with pay, and the balance of the said extended military service shall be considered as military leave without pay.
- 4. All employees shall be paid, as aforesaid, and their accumulated vacation, holiday, or sick time shall not be forfeited.
- 5. Except as expressly provided within this Article and as required by law, any other military leave time is unpaid leave and all other matters are per Township policy as may be amended from time to time in the Township's discretion.

ARTICLE VI

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

A medical leave of absence, without pay, may be granted for good cause to any eligible employee. An eligible employee is an active employee who has been continuously employed for at least an additional ninety (90) days after the completion of their probationary period. Said medical leave may not be arbitrarily or unreasonably withheld. A medical leave of absence for the sole purpose of seeking other gainful employment shall not be considered good cause.

No person shall be required to take a medical leave of absence without his written consent made in the presence of a FOP authorized representative.

The maximum time for which an employee may request and obtain a medical leave of absence, shall be for a period of thirty (30) days. All medical leaves of absence shall be approved in advance by the Township. An officer must exhaust all paid time off during a medical leave of absence and medical leaves of absence shall run at the same time as any leave entitlement under State or Federal laws. Following the utilization of such time, all further medical leave of absence shall be accorded only with the express approval of the Township.

There shall be no accrual of sick leave or vacation leave benefits or pay for holidays during the time of such medical leave of absence.

ARTICLE VII

INJURY IN THE LINE OF DUTY

The Township will provide insurance coverage to render weekly payments to an employee injured in the line of duty and temporarily disabled thereby in an amount equivalent to ninety percent (90%) of such employee's weekly pay. Said coverage shall be for a disablement period of up to 39 weeks provided said employee is entitled to Workmen's Compensation. Any employee so paid agrees to make application immediately following such injury for Workmen's Compensation. Temporary disability benefits for such injury and reimbursement to the Township for such weekly payments up to the actual receipt of such Workmen's Compensation benefits by such employee by endorsing and delivering to the Township benefit checks immediately upon receipt thereof. Any employee injured in the line of duty and temporarily disabled, and not entitled to Workmen's Compensation shall receive up to three (3) days' pay, said three (3) days' pay not being considered sick pay.

ARTICLE VIII

SICK LEAVE

The employees covered under this Agreement shall be entitled to paid sick leave in accordance with the following schedule:

- 1. During the first year of employment, 12 hours after four months and 12 hours after each additional 4 months, for a total of 60 hours.
- 2. Any Officer hired after January 1st 2010 shall be entitled to 60 hours for the first five years of employment annually. On the sixth year the Officer will be entitled 132 hours of sick leave.
- 3. Thereafter 132 hours of sick leave in each year worked.
- 4. All sick leave shall be accumulated year to year. Bargaining unit members retiring on either age and service or disability pension shall be paid a lump sum payment as supplemental compensation for each full day earned and unused sick leave which is credited to him or her on the effective date of his or her retirement. The supplemental compensation payment to be paid thereunder shall be computed at the rate of one-half (1/2) of the rate of pay for each earned and unused sick leave, based upon the average annual compensation received during the last three (3) years of his/her employment prior to the effective date of said retirement.
- 5. The phrase "full day earned and unused" equates with the number of hours in the officer's assigned shift (8, 10, or 12) as determined by the Chief of Police. Sick leave time will be used in no less than 1/2 day increments with the number of hours constituting a ½ day to also equate with the total number of hours in the officer's assigned shift (8, 10, or 12). The phrase "immediate family member" means a spouse, minor child, step child or foster child who resides with the employee.
- 6. Sick leave shall be used only for illness or injury of an employee or of his/her immediate family (spouse/children). The Township may require a medical certificate showing such illness or injury if two (2) or more consecutive sick days are used.
- 7. Sick leave may be "bought back" by the Township pursuant to the following "buy back" plan.
 - a. ALL employees shall sell back to the Township any and all sick hours over 960 hours at the rate above established in Section 4.
 - b. As an added incentive any officer that uses two or less sick days within the calendar year will have the option to sell back up the following number of hours of unused leave time (sick, personal, etc.) for monetary compensation:

Up to 60 Hours for employees assigned to 12 hour shifts; Up to 50 Hours for employees assigned to 10 hour shifts; Up to 40 Hours for employees assigned to 8 hour shifts.

The compensation will be based on the employee's hourly salary. The amount of hours sold back will be at the officer's discretion and cannot exceed the above referenced number of hours.

8. All paid time off is pro-rated.

ARTICLE IX

PERSONAL LEAVE

The Township will permit each bargaining unit member three (3) personal leave days per year with pay. The request for such leave shall be made to the Chief of Police at least three (3) days prior to its anticipated use.

Personal leave days shall not be cumulative and shall not cause the Township to make payment for such time not utilized.

ARTICLE X

VACATION TIME

1. All bargaining unit members assigned to work a 12 hour shift shall receive vacation leave in accordance with the following schedule:

Years of Employment

Amount of Leave

0 through 1 year

During the first calendar year of any portion thereof, 12 hours per month will be earned to be used in the second calendar year. For example, if a person is hired on October 1, he will be entitled to 36 hours to be taken in the following calendar year. The schedule will be earned and leave granted in the same manner.

2 through 4 years	204 hours – 17 Days
5 through 10 years	264 hours – 22 Days
11 through 15 years	300 hours – 25 Days
16 + years	336 hours – 28 Days

New Hires after December 01, 2014:

Years of Employment	Amount of Leave		
2 through 4 years	144 hours – 12 Days		
5 through 10 years	180 hours – 15 Days		
11 through 16 Years	216 hours – 18 Days		
16 + Years	240 hours – 20 Days		

2. All bargaining unit members assigned to work a 10 hour shift shall receive vacation leave in accordance with the following schedule:

0 through 1 year

During the first calendar year of any portion thereof, 10 hours per month will be earned to be used in the second calendar year. For example, if a person is hired on October 1, he will be entitled to 30 hours to be taken in the following calendar year. The schedule will be earned and leave granted in the same manner.

2 through 4 years	170 hours- 17 Days
5 through 10 years	220 hours- 22 Days
11 through 15 years	250 hours- 25 Days
16 + years	280 hours- 28 Days

New Hires after December 01, 2014:

Years of Employment	Amount of Leave		
2 through 4 years	120 hours- 12 Days		
5 through 10 years	150 hours- 15 Days		
11 through 16 Years	180 hours- 18 Days		
16 + Years	200 hours- 20 Days		

3. All bargaining unit members assigned to work an 8 hour shift shall receive vacation leave in accordance with the following schedule:

0 through 1 year

During the first calendar year of any portion thereof, 8 hours per month will be earned to be used in the second calendar year. For example, if a person is hired on October 1, he will be entitled to 24 hours to be taken in the following calendar year. The schedule will be earned and leave granted in the same manner.

2 through 4 years	136 hours – 17 Days
5 through 10 years	176 hours - 22 Days
11 through 15 years	200 hours - 25 Days
16 + years	224 hours - 28 Days

New Hires after December 01, 2014:

Years of Employment	Amount of Leave		
2 through 4 years	96 hours – 12 Days		
5 through 10 years	120 hours - 15 Days		
11 through 16 Years	144 hours - 18 Days		
16 + Years	160 hours - 20 Days		

- 4. Annual vacation leave shall not accumulate from year to year. Annual vacation leave shall be credited to bargaining unit members, except for any period during which a member may be suspended from employment for cause, on the first day of each calendar month following the calendar month for which earned and will accumulate as it so becomes due, and may thereafter be utilized by the employee at any time to the extent of the amount of full days so accumulated following the prior coordination of the utilization of such vacation leave by the employee with the Chief of Police.
- 5. Where a member is precluded from utilizing vacation leave because of an emergency declared to exist by the Chief of Police, such unused vacation leave shall carry over to the following year for use.
- 6. Vacations shall be coordinated through the Chief of Police at least 14 days prior to its anticipated use.
- 7. The word "year" as used in this Article shall refer to calendar year, i.e. January 1st through December 31st.
- 8. The phrase "full day" equates with the number of hours in the officer's assigned shift (8, 10, or 12) as determined by the Chief of Police. Vacation leave must be used in full day increments.
- 9. All paid time off is pro-rated.

ARTICLE XI

HOLIDAY PAY

- 1. Bargaining unit members who work on one of the listed holidays shall be compensated at 1.5 times their base rate of pay. This compensation will be for the following seven recognized holidays: New Year's Day, Easter, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day. Holiday Pay shall be paid for the twenty-four (24) hour period constituting the Holiday. (The Officer shall be compensated at the difference of their Overtime pay minus the regular pay rate, solely if the Officer works on the above-mentioned holidays, this pay will be in addition to the Officer's regular salary.)
- 2. Patrol staff will operate on the above listed seven holidays with staffing not to exceed 2 full time officers or as determined by the Chief of Police. At the Chief's discretion, if additional officers are scheduled for one of these holiday shifts one officer will be forced off without having to use leave time, with the purpose of alleviating the township of having to pay more than two officers on a shift holiday pay compensation.
- 3. Those bargaining unit members not assigned to a regular twelve hour shift schedule (detectives, officers on special assignment) shall additionally be entitled to have the aforementioned holidays as paid days off. When the holiday occurs on a weekend, the member shall take the next regularly scheduled work day off in lieu of the holiday. Any other holidays as shall be declared by the Township Council, if any, excluding holidays set forth in the personnel policy for other municipal employees. Bargaining unit members working on said holiday(s) shall be paid at the rate of one and one-half (1.5) times his/her base pay in addition to their base pay. All other bargaining unit members shall be paid for said holiday(s) at their base pay in accordance with the shift the member is currently assigned.
- 4. A detective that is on call for any of the seven above recognized holidays shall be entitled to an additional 2 hours of straight time for the day that they are on call.
- 5. The following Holidays are recognized by the Township and are afforded to any Officer either assigned to the Detective Bureau or an Administrative Schedule. The Officer shall be given this day off without any type of compensation with pay. If the Holiday falls in the weekend, the Officer shall receive the next work day off with pay. The Holiday schedule is as follows: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Day, Presidents Day, Good Friday, Easter, Memorial Day, Thanksgiving Day, Thanksgiving Friday, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day.

ARTICLE XII

POOLED COMP-TIME

All members covered under this Agreement hired on or before April 25, 2018 shall be entitled to pooled comp-time for usage. Pooling comp-time is a process of converting all compensation time accrued solely as the result of the regular scheduling process inherent to twelve hour shifts into a "bank" to be used as leave time when needed, regardless of the nature of the use. For covered members hired on or before April 25, 2018, pooled comp-time shall be used according to the following provisions:

- 1. Compensation time or comp-time accrued as a result of normal scheduling (i.e. built in overtime), shall be incorporated into a pooled comp-time cache. For application and considering the current 12-hour shift deployment of patrol officers, 8 hours of built-in overtime would accrue to an additional 104 leave hours off per calendar year (365 calendar days divided by the current scheduling cycles of 28 days). In addition to a 12-hour work shift, should the Township elect to utilize another approved shift found in Article XIV of this agreement whereby members shall be required to work hours necessitating additional compensation under the Fair Labor Standards Act, this Article shall also apply. In these instances, the total number of allocated "comp days" shall be mutually agreed upon between the FOP and the Township. This conversion would be made as hour for hour exclusively for the provisions of this article regarding "Built-in Comp-Time" and not at the applicable overtime rate of 1.5 times normal compensation. The aforementioned hour for hour conversion would not apply to the payment of overtime as set forth in the Fair Labor Standards Act for those work hours accumulated in addition to a member's work rotation.
- 2. Compensation time or comp-time shall be used and granted in accordance with current departmental procedures. Comp-time, as related to this section, shall not be accumulated from year to year without the permission of the Chief of Police. It shall be applied in advance annually to the member's leave time allotment effective January 1st of each calendar year in the amount of 8 days, in lieu of 104 accumulated hours, based upon the 12-hour work day. This leave time is to be used at the member's discretion, following the approval of the member's shift Sergeant, with the condition that the member's usage of the "comp-day" does not incur an overtime situation due to minimum staffing requirements in the Patrol Division at the time the leave is submitted for.
- 3. Two (2) "Floating Holidays," in addition to all allotted Comp-Time Leave, will be chosen by the individual FOP member and submitted in writing to the Chief of Police at least seven (7) days prior to the day desired. The Chief of Police shall approve all floating holidays. Specific Floating Holidays will be denied if in the Chief of Police's opinion said holiday will impair the police functions.

ARTICLE XIII

KELLY TIME

All members covered under this Agreement hired after April 25, 2018 shall be entitled to Kelly Time for usage.

Kelly Time shall not be accumulated from year to year without the permission of the Chief of Police. It shall be applied in advance annually to the member's leave time allotment effective January 1st of each calendar year in the amount of 60 hours, this leave time is to be used at the member's discretion, following the approval of the member's shift Sergeant/Corporal, with the condition that the member's usage of the "Kelly-day" does not incur an overtime situation due to minimum staffing requirements in the Patrol Division at the time the leave is submitted for.

ARTICLE XIV

EMERGENCY LEAVE DAY

In addition to all other means of accrued or entitled leave covered under this agreement, each member of the bargaining unit shall be entitled to one (1) additional paid "emergency leave" day. The "emergency leave" day cannot be denied and does not have to be pre-approved. It may be taken on the same day of the request. The member is to notify the department by way of current established policy and practice advising of their need to utilize the "emergency leave" day. Said notification is to be done at the earliest time deemed possible. The "emergency leave" day may not be accrued annually, and the Chief of Police, upon the members return to work, may request verification on the emergent issue.

An emergency can be defined as a sudden occurrence, event, or condition that requires some type of immediate action by the member that could not be anticipated.

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ARTICLE XV

CLOTHING MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE

- 1. The Township shall pay each uniformed bargaining unit member an annual clothing allowance for the purpose of cleaning and maintaining uniforms in the amount of Five Hundred and Seventy-Five Dollars \$575.00.
- 2. The Township shall pay to each non-uniformed bargaining unit member of the FOP an annual clothing allowance in recognition of the wear and tear to which the clothing of such individual is exposed as a result of the nature of his/her position the annual sum of \$375.00. The Township shall also pay each non-uniformed member of the FOP an annual clothing allowance for the purchase of clothing in the amount of \$605.00.
- 3. The Township shall pay to each bargaining unit member one hundred sixty-five dollars (\$165.00), per year toward the purchase of footwear, which shall be mutually agreed upon between the Township and FOP so as to be environmentally specific and in accordance with current POSHA standards.
- 4. The clothing and footwear allowance shall be due and owing and shall be paid to the bargaining unit members on the first day in December of the calendar year which relates to same.
- 5. The Township agrees to replace with Township equipment any and all personal and departmental equipment that is lost or damaged in the line of duty.
- 6. The Township will replace prescriptive eye glasses of an FOP member lost or damaged in the line of duty, provided said loss or damage is reported immediately to the member's immediate supervisor, such loss or damage was not the result of the member's negligence, and same is so established by the member claiming the loss or damage.
- 7. The word "year" as used in this article shall refer to the calendar year, i.e. January through December 31st.

ARTICLE XVI

BEREAVEMENT LEAVE

If a death occurs among members of an employee's immediate family, or other members of the employee's family, the employee will be excused from work to attend the funeral and be with the family without loss of pay from the day of death until the day after the funeral, but not more than a total of three (3) days. Additional days may be obtained upon approval of the Chief of Police.

The phrase "members of an employee's immediate family" shall mean mother, father, brother, sister, parent-in-law.

The phrase "other members of an employee's family" shall mean grandparent, grandchildren, uncle, aunt, nephew, niece, cousin, and all other "in-law" relationships.

If a death occurs to a member's spouse, the employee will be excused from work without loss of pay for up to fifteen (15) days if the spouse is survived by a minor child, or ten (10) days, if not; and if death occurs to a member's child or step-child, the employee will be excused for up to ten (10) days.

In the event the funeral requires travel of great distance, the Chief of Police may allow up to two (2) additional days for travel time.

ARTICLE XVII

WORK WEEK and CONDITIONS

- 1. The rotating system under which bargaining unit members work shifts shall not be permanently changed by the Township without consultation with the FOP at least ten (10) days, or less if the officer agrees, prior to the effectuation of any change. The purpose of said consultation is to allow the FOP opportunity to present its view on such proposed changes, except in the case of an emergency precluding such notice in which situation the FOP shall be given the greatest possible notice. The phrase "permanently changed" shall not include temporary assignments necessitated to cover shifts based on unexpected absences or absences with less than five (5) calendar days' notice.
 - A. 12 hour shifts during hours of 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. If an Officer requests permanent night/day shift this shall be granted as long as the Officer has a relief Officer who is willing to do the same.
 - (1) The Township will make every effort to grant the individual FOP members twelve (12) hours off time from duty between the above described shifts.
 - (2) A bargaining unit member required to work in excess of twelve (12) hours in any twenty-four (24) hour period shall be paid one and one-half (1.5) times his or her base salary for the time worked in excess of twelve (12) hours to the nearest quarter of an hour and shall not be required to exchange this monetary compensation for compensation time when the time worked for compensation commences at the completion of a member's assigned tour of duty.
 - (3) The Township shall give individual bargaining unit member two (2) days off time from duty between the first two work cycles and three days off time from duty following the third work cycle. However, a bargaining unit member required to work on scheduled time off shall be entitled to one and one-half (1.5) times his or her base salary for that day or overtime period.
 - B. 8.5 hour shifts during the hours of 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., 3:30 p.m. to midnight and 11:30 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.
 - (1) The Township will make every effort to give the individual bargaining unit member fifteen and one-half (15.5) hours off time from duty between the above described shifts.
 - (2) A bargaining unit member required to work in excess of eight and one-half (8.5) hours in any twenty-four (24) hour period shall be paid one and one-half (1.5) times his or her base salary for the time worked in excess of eight and one-half (8.5) hours to the nearest quarter of an hour and shall not be required to exchange this monetary compensation for compensation time when the time worked for compensation commences at the completion of a member's assigned tour of duty.

- (3) The Township shall give individual bargaining unit members two (2) days off time from duty between work cycles. However, a bargaining unit member required to work on scheduled time off shall be entitled to one and one-half (1.5) times his or her base salary for that day or overtime period.
- C. Eight (8) hour shifts during the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. To assist with scheduling issues an Officer shall be allowed to work a flexible work schedule. This will assist the Township in the reduction of Overtime paid for Officers having to work an assignment prior to their scheduled shift. This flexible schedule shall be approved by the Chief of Police or his/her designee. No Officer shall be forced to work a flexible schedule.
 - (1) The Township will make every effort to give the individual the FOP members sixteen (16) hours off time between the above described shifts.
 - (2) A bargaining unit member required to work in excess of eight (8) hours in any twenty-four (24) hour period shall be paid one and one-half (1.5) times his or her base salary for the time worked in excess of eight (8) hours to the nearest quarter of an hour and shall not be required to exchange this monetary compensation for compensation time when the time worked for compensation commences at the completion of a member's assigned tour of duty.
 - (3) The Township shall give individual bargaining unit members two (2) days off time from duty between work cycles. However, a bargaining unit member required to work on scheduled time off shall be entitled to one and one-half (1.5) times his or her base salary for that day or overtime period.
- D. An Officer may work a ten (10) hour shift. The times of this shift shall be agreed upon between the Officer and the Administration. No Officer shall be forced to work a ten hour shift.
 - (1) The Township will make every effort to give the individual the bargaining unit members fourteen (14) hours off time between the above described shifts.
 - (2) A bargaining unit member required to work in excess of ten (10) hours in any twenty-four (24) hour period shall be paid one and one-half (1.5) times his or her base salary for the time worked in excess of ten (10) hours to the nearest quarter of an hour and shall not be required to exchange this monetary compensation for compensation time when the time worked for compensation commences at the completion of a member's assigned tour of duty.
 - (3) The Township shall give individual bargaining unit members three (3) days off time from duty between work cycles. However, a bargaining unit member required to work on scheduled time off shall be entitled to one and one-half (1.5) times his or her base salary for that day or overtime period.

- E. The Chief of Police, or his designee, shall assign on an annual basis, in his sole discretion, eight (8) patrol officers to a permanent shift. The remaining officers assigned to the patrol division shall remain on a flexible work schedule, as determined by the Chief of Police, or his designee. This flexible work schedule will continue to assist the Township in reducing overtime costs.
- F. Nothing contained within this Agreement shall impact the management right to order in an officer to cover any shift.
- G. The FOP acknowledges application of the Department's Overtime-Sick Out policy effective October 16, 2014 and Sick and Injury Leave dated September 21, 2013.
- H. No shift shall be modified or changed by the Township to avoid payment under the Fair Labor Standards Act.
 - (1) Overtime will be paid on a bi-weekly basis.
- I. Where conditions permit and where the departmental efficiency shall not be adversely affected, a rest period shall be provided in accordance with the following schedule.
 - (1) 12 hour shift one sixty (60) minute rest period and one thirty (30) minute rest period which may be taken in succession, with the exception of calls taking precedence and provided there shall be no stacking of time at the beginning or end of a shift or if doing so would cause overtime or staffing problems as determined by the Chief of Police or his designee.
 - (2) <u>8.5 hour shift</u> one sixty (60) minute rest period.
 - (3) 8 hour shift one sixty (60) minute rest period.
 - (4) <u>10 hour shift</u> one sixty (60) minute rest period and one fifteen (15) minute rest period not to be taken in succession, unless otherwise approved by the Chief of Police
- J. Any rest period interrupted by calls shall not cause the Township to make payment for such time not utilized.
- K. Any bargaining unit member who is called in for non-scheduled overtime shall be guaranteed a minimum of two (2) hours at one and one-half (1.5) times his/her base pay.
- L. Any off-duty supervisor assigned to be on-call will be compensated in the amount of \$70.00 per week (Saturday to the following Sunday). To be assigned as on-call supervisor shall mean that an off-duty supervisor is required to perform in the capacity of the shift supervisor on an on-call basis in the absence of an officer above the rank of patrol officer. Sergeants and Corporals shall be part of the on-call shift supervisor rotation.

- M. Detectives shall receive \$10 per day for time served in an "on call" status provided the Detective is actually available and able to arrive at the Township within no more than sixty (60) minutes maximum to arrive on duty, weather permitting, at the discretion of the Chief of Police. "On Call Status" shall be determined by the Detective-In-Charge, who is responsible for scheduling of the Detective Bureau, and subsequently submitted to the Chief of Police or his designee. Payment for "Detective on Call Pay" shall be submitted and paid according to the current overtime payment procedure. This compensation shall be in addition to any overtime earned as a result of the "on call" detective responding to a call out for service pursuant to current practice.
- N. The Township shall supply a wall-type locker in good working condition for the use of each bargaining unit member.
- O. The Township will provide clean restroom facilities with hot water.
- P. All written orders, or police directives shall be signed by the appropriate Supervisor and a copy will be given to each member.
- Q. All salaries are based on an annualized amount that is divided equally over the total number of bi-weekly pay periods within a given year (26 or 27 pay periods).
- R. Sick time shall not be included in the calculation of hours worked for any purpose including but not limited to determining overtime or overtime pay.
- S. A work week is defined as Sunday through Saturday.

ARTICLE XVIII

PERFORMANCE REVIEW

In order that the Township may recognize members of the FOP for outstanding achievement as set forth in Paragraph 7, individual initiative and demonstrated excellence in job performance, the Township will develop, administer and maintain a performance Review Procedure. Members of the FOP will be formally evaluated on April 1 and October 1 of each calendar year by their immediate supervisor with concurrence or non-concurrence of his immediate supervisor. The only exception to this will be personnel appointed or assigned to the investigative bureau. These members will be evaluated by the highest-ranking supervisor of field operations. Within fourteen (14) days of the aforementioned evaluation dates, the immediate supervisor will review the evaluations with the member concerned. The evaluations will then be forwarded in a timely fashion (not to exceed three (3) working days) to the Chief of Police.

- 1. For all evaluations, the immediate supervisor will provide the member with a developmental plan.
- 2. Should a member disagree with the immediate supervisor's evaluation, and the evaluation indicates the member did not satisfy minimum requirements of the criteria, and minimum requirements being set forth in paragraph 7, the aggrieved member may request a hearing before the Chief of Police.
- 3. Within seven (7) days of receiving the request for a hearing, the Chief of Police will meet jointly with the immediate supervisor and the member during which time the member may seek an explanation of the evaluation and/or present information to alter it. However, time expended for this purpose will be considered as time worked where any part of the evaluation is altered in favor of the member. The Chief of Police will examine the information adduced and render his decision, in writing, within three (3) working days.
- 4. Before the Chief of Police may change a favorable evaluation, he will first consult the immediate supervisor to solicit clarification of the rating. Should the rating remain unsubstantiated, the Chief of Police alters the evaluation, he will provide both the immediate supervisor and member with specific reasons for the modified rating and suggest remedial action that may be undertaken to correct the deficiency.
- 5. Members of the FOP will be rated as performing in an *Outstanding, Competent, Some Improvement needed*, or *unsatisfactory* manner. These classifications shall have the following meanings:
- (a) Outstanding The quality of performance excels that required for the position. It denotes the highest quality performance of duty and professional competence. It represents effectiveness and capacity rarely seen in the rated man's grade and experience level. Factual evidence must be presented to support this rating.

- (b) Competent The work performance is consistently up to or somewhat above the requirements of the positions. It is such noticeable and obvious nature that is stands out when the man's performance is viewed as a whole.
- (c) Some Improvement Needed This rating indicates that a part of the work performance is below the required performance required for the position. Factual evidence must be presented to support this rating.
- 6. In recognition of those employees having received a commendation for "heroism" or "performance above and beyond the call of duty", such member will be eligible for participation in the merit pay plan (during the evaluation period to which it relates) regardless of overall performance.
- 7. Those members eligible for promotion or under consideration for promotion will have prepared by their supervisors a performance evaluation report indicating their potential for promotion to the next higher grade. These evaluation reports will become part of the member's promotion package for use in the selection process.

ARTICLE XIX

COURT APPEARANCES

All Court appearances attended by a member of the FOP at the time of day other than during a tour of duty shift such member shall be paid in accordance with the following:

- (a) At the hourly pay rate of one and one-half (1.5) the hourly base rate of the member per appearance.
- (b) At a minimum, two (2) hours per appearance shall be so paid, and appearances in excess of two (2) hours shall be prorated and paid at such hourly pay rate for any of such excess as shall not constitute a full hour.
- (c) Any appearance at a given session of Court shall be considered to be a single appearance irrespective of the number of matters in which the member is appearing as complaining or corroborating witness.
- (d) The member seeking pay thereunder shall provide written proof of such Court appearance signed by the Prosecutor or his representative or Court representative, such as the Court Officer and setting forth the day, matter in which the member appeared, the Judge sitting therein, and the beginning and ending of such appearance.
- (e) Any retired police officer(s), or former police officer(s), that departed in good standing shall be compensated fifty dollars (\$50.00) to attend any subpoenaed Township- related court. Said officer shall be required to submit a pay voucher through the police department lieutenant. He/she shall then be paid during the next immediate police employee pay cycle.

ARTICLE XX

TRAVEL & MEAL EXPENSES

Section 1: Travel Expenses

(a) Traveling expenses incurred inside or outside the Township on official business at the explicit direction of their superior, shall be reimbursed for tolls and parking fees incurred upon presentation of receipts. The Township shall endeavor to provide an automobile for such travel and when such vehicle is not provided, shall pay the member forty-nine cents (\$0.49) per mile to fully reimburse the member for the use of his private vehicle.

Section 2: Meals:

(a) The Township shall supply to all members of the F.O.P., who work in excess of eight and one-half (8.5) hours during an officially declared emergency, a hot meal, at a cost not to exceed ten dollars (\$10.00) or shall reimburse such member(s) to a maximum of such amount, at their option. Emergencies shall be as declared by the Chief of Police or his designee for police personnel.

<u>ARTICLE XXI</u>

TERMINATION PAY

Upon severance from employment by the Township, individual members of the FOP shall receive termination pay composed of the following:

- (a) Weekly base pay prorated to days, or portion thereof, actually worked.
- (b) Pay earned and unpaid for overtime in accordance with Article XIV hereof.
- (c) Full days of annual vacation leave earned and credited and not utilized of the date of the last day worked prior to the date on which severance takes place.
- (d) Pay earned, proved and unpaid for Court Appearance (s) in accordance with Article XVI hereof.
- (e) Termination pay shall not include sick leave under Article VIII except as provided in said Article or personal leave under Article IX, but shall include Clothing Maintenance under Article XII on a pro rata basis, said pro rata basis to be determined in accordance with the number of days remaining in the year of termination.
- (f) The maximum amount that an employee may receive upon his/her retirement severance from the Police Department shall not exceed \$15,000.00 in sick time.
- (g) Pooled Compensation-Time, as granted in Article XI, section B, assigned and not used shall be paid hour for hour, on a pro rata basis, to be determined in accordance with the number of days remaining in the year of termination or retirement less those already submitted for and utilized by the member in the current calendar year. Moreover, should the member utilize more than the pro rata allotment as calculated at the time of termination, the difference between the pro rata allotment and the actual expended allotment shall be deducted from the termination pay based upon an hour for hour rate.
- (h) Termination pay under sections (e) and (f) of this Article shall only be paid to officers who voluntarily retire or resign in good standing, on a prorated basis and subject to the limitations contained within the referenced Articles. A resignation or retirement in lieu of disciplinary action, in resolution of disciplinary action or as part of a settlement of any kind, is not a retirement or resignation "in good standing," unless otherwise mutually agreed upon in writing by all parties. For purposes of this Article, "disciplinary action" shall mean a suspension of more than 5 days or termination.

ARTICLE XXII

MATERNITY LEAVE

Employees who are temporarily unable to perform regular duties due to a pregnancy or breastfeeding needs are eligible for light-duty assignments as directed by the Chief of Police or their designee. An employee temporarily unable to perform regular duties due to a pregnancy or breastfeeding needs will be treated the same as any other temporarily disabled employee in accordance with the New Jersey Law Against Discrimination, the New Jersey Pregnant Workers Fairness Act, and with all other applicable state and federal laws. A pregnant or breastfeeding employee shall not be involuntarily transferred to a light-duty assignment.

ARTICLE XXIII

DEDUCTIONS FROM SALARY

- <u>Section 1.</u> The Township agrees to deduct FOP dues from the salaries of the members of the FOP upon presentation of the required individual authorizations.
- <u>Section 2.</u> Said dues will be transmitted to the FOP by the fifteenth (15th) of each month following the monthly pay period in which the deduction was made.
- <u>Section 3.</u> If, during the term of this Agreement, there shall be any change in the rate of the membership dues, the FOP shall furnish to the Township written notice prior to the effective date of such change and shall furnish to the Township new authorizations from its members showing the authorized deduction for each employee.
- <u>Section 4.</u> The FOP will provide the necessary "Check-off authorization" form and deliver the signed forms to the Township Clerk.

Section 5. Non-Member Representation Fee

The FOP President shall submit to the Township Administrator a list of names of Employees covered by this contract who are not currently dues paying members. The Township, in compliance with State law and this Agreement, will deduct from non-member Employees in this bargaining unit a representation fee equal to eighty-five (85%) percent of the amount set for FOP members (this amount will be determined by the FOP Treasurer and is to be paid by payroll deduction).

Section 6. Payment of Dues/Fees to Union

It is agreed by the parties to this Agreement that The Township shall have no other obligation or liability, financial or otherwise (other than set forth herein), because of actions arising out of the understanding expressed in the language of this Article. It is further understood that once the funds deducted are remitted to the FOP, the disposition of such funds thereafter shall be the sole and exclusive obligation and responsibility of the FOP.

Section 7. Indemnification

The FOP shall indemnify and save the Township harmless against any and all claims, demands, suits or other representation fees resulting from any of the provisions of this Article or in reliance on any list, notice, or assignment furnished under this Article.

ARTICLE XXIV

GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

- 1. Purpose: The purpose of this procedure is to secure, at the lowest possible level, equitable solutions to the problems which may from time to time arise affecting members. Both parties agree that these proceedings will be kept as informal and confidential as may be appropriate at any level of the procedure.
- 2. Definition: A grievance is defined as any question or dispute between the Township and the FOP arising over the interpretation, application, or alleged violation of the terms of this Agreement.
- 3. Aggrieved Party: An individual, a group of individuals, or the FOP on behalf of its members may file a grievance. The FOP shall immediately receive notice of any grievance filed and must have an opportunity to appear with the grievant(s) at all steps of the grievance procedure. Nothing herein shall be construed as limiting the right of any Employee having a grievance, to discuss the matter informally with any appropriate member of the Department.
- 4. Party in Interest: A party in interest is the grievant (s) and any person, including the FOP or the Township, who might be required to take action, or against whom action may be taken, in order to resolve the grievance.
- 5. Procedure: Time limits the number of days indicated at each level should be considered as a maximum and every effort should be made to expedite the process. The time limits specified may be extended by mutual written agreement.
- 6. Any grievance must be presented within thirty (30) days of the events (or within 30 days of the date that knowledge giving rise should have been reasonably known), upon which the claim is based, or else such grievance is deemed abandoned. Management's failure to meet time limits will result in the remedy being granted.

Level One: Any grievant shall first discuss it with the immediate superior either directly or through the FOP's designated representative with the objective of resolving the matter informally.

Level Two: If the aggrieved is not satisfied with the disposition of the grievance at level one, or if no decision has been rendered within seven (7) calendar days after a presentation of the grievance, a grievance may be filed in writing by the FOP within seven (7) calendar days after presentation of the grievance after the decision at Level One. Within fourteen (14) calendar days after receipt of the grievance, the Chief shall conduct a hearing.

Level Three: If the aggrieved is not satisfied with the disposition of his grievance at Level Two, or if no decision has been rendered within fourteen (14) days after the grievance was delivered to the Chief, the aggrieved may, within seven (7) calendar days after a decision by the Chief or twenty-one (21) calendar days after the grievance was delivered to the Chief, whichever is sooner, move the grievance to the Township Management.

Level Four: The Township Management shall review and consider the submitted grievance and shall, within fourteen (14) calendar days, conduct a hearing and issue a decision within fourteen (14) calendar days after its conclusion.

No reprisals of any kind shall be taken by the Township or its agents against any representative, any member of the FOP, or any other participant in the grievance procedure by reason of such participation.

7. Miscellaneous:

- a. Group Grievance: If, in the judgment of the FOP, a grievance affects a group or class of members, the FOP may submit such grievance in writing to the Chief directly, and the processing of such grievance shall commence at Level Two. The FOP may process such a grievance through all levels of the grievance procedure even through an aggrieved person does not wish to do so. The FOP may move a grievance at any level and reserves the right to move any grievance to arbitration.
- b. Written Decisions: All decisions rendered at Levels One through four, regardless of decision, shall be in writing and include the reasons therefore and shall be transmitted promptly to all parties in interest, including the FOP.
- c. Separate File: All documents, communications and records dealing with the processing of a grievance shall be filed in a separate grievance file and shall not be kept in the personnel file of any of the participants.
- d. Forms: Forms for filing grievances, serving notices, taking appeals, making reports and recommendations and other necessary documents, shall be prepared jointly by the Chief and the FOP given appropriate distribution so as to facilitate operation of the grievance procedure.

ARTICLE XXV

ARBITRATION

If the aggrieved is not satisfied with the disposition of the grievance at Level Four, or if no decision has been rendered within fourteen (14) calendar days after the grievance decision was received from the Township Management, the aggrieved may request that the FOP submit said grievance to arbitration.

If the FOP determines that the grievance is meritorious, it may submit the same to arbitration within twenty-one (21) calendar days after receipt of the request by the aggrieved. However, if the grievance is not submitted to arbitration within thirty-five (35) calendar days whether a decision is rendered or not after the grievance was delivered to the Township Management, the grievant and the FOP shall be deemed to have waived its right to submit the matter to arbitration.

Within fourteen (14) calendar days after such written notice of submission to arbitration, the Township and FOP shall attempt to agree upon a mutually acceptable arbitrator and shall obtain a commitment from said arbitrator to serve. If the parties are unable to agree upon arbitrator or to obtain such a commitment within the specified period, a request for a panel of arbitrators shall be made to the New Jersey Public Employment Relations Commission according to its regulations.

In the event that arbitrability of a grievance is an issue between the parties, jurisdiction to resolve the issue shall rest solely with the arbitrator selected in accordance with the above.

The arbitrator shall be limited to the issues submitted and shall consider nothing else. The arbitrator may add nothing to modify or subtract anything from the Agreement between the parties.

The costs for the services of the arbitrator shall be borne equally by the FOP and the Township.

ARTICLE XXVI

SALARY COMPENSATION

- A. The base annual wages for employees covered by this agreement shall be set forth in the attached Appendix "A". All Officers who have reached the maximum amount on their respective salary scale shall receive 2.35% annually on top of their salary of the following year as depicted on the scale.
- B. The Township agrees that all regular bi-weekly/ pay checks be accompanied by a current statement of earnings and deductions and cumulative year-to-date earnings and tax deductions.
- C. Salary range with specific minimum rates and intermediate incremental steps therein for each position.
- D. The Township reserves the right to set the salary of a new employee after the execution of this contract at a salary to be determined by the Chief of Police/Township Manager no greater than that of the lowest paid Officer at this time of offer.
- E. Any further adjustment after December 31, 2025, must be determined through negotiations.

ARTICLE XXVII

INSURANCE

The Township will provide each bargaining unit member, their spouse and children (as applicable), on a non-contributory basis:

- 1. Blue Cross-Comprehensive extended; Blue Shield; Extended Benefit (Rider "J"); and Major Medical in accordance with the New Jersey State Health Benefits Program.
- 2. In lieu of the foregoing terms above, employees may elect an alternative and enroll in a Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) as provided by the SHBP, fully paid for by the Township.
 - 3. A term life insurance policy for \$50,000.00 for job related death.
- 4. The Township agrees to continue the self-administered medical expense reimbursement program for those who elect NOT to participate in the FOP Dental Program. Each bargaining unit member, upon presentation of a bill to the Chief of Police for medical expenses in the current calendar year for either themselves or their immediate family and upon properly signing a Township voucher, will be reimbursed up to \$550.00. Additionally, only those bargaining unit members who do not participate in the FOP Dental Plan, subsequent to its establishment, shall be eligible to receive this benefit. Immediate family shall mean employee, spouse and dependent children.
- 5. The Township agrees to maintain enrollment of bargaining unit members in the State Disability Insurance Plan on a contributory basis. The rate and amount to be contributed by individual bargaining unit members will determine by the New Jersey Employment Security Agency.
- 6. Dental Plan: The Township agrees to provide for its members herein, the dental program provided through the Fraternal Order of Police NJ Labor Council according to the following conditions:
 - a. The current plan is provided by Delta Dental and market as their "Delta Premier Program."
 - b. The Township is billed by, and will pay Delta Dental directly for its services.
 - c. The benefit shall begin as soon as practicable after the signing of this Agreement.
 - d. There shall be a 90/10 co-participation in premium payment with the Township responsible for the 90%.
 - e. The decision to participate by employees covered by this agreement shall be made known upon the signing of this Agreement.
 - f. Those members employed prior to the signing of this agreement who elect NOT to participate, WILL NOT again be eligible for participation until January 1, 2022.

- 7. Prescription Reimbursement Plan: The Township shall provide prescription coverage by purchasing the prescription rider offered by the State Health Benefits System.
- 8. If an Officer chooses not to participate in the above medical plan, a stipend shall be given to that Officer payable in two payments, one in January of that calendar year and the second in July. The stipend schedule will be set forth as follows.

A member's eligibility for a stipend is determined by current State Law.

a.) Married/Family Coverageb.) Single Coverage\$5,000.00 annually\$2,500.00 annually

- 9. Medical and prescription drug benefits coverage shall be subject to the employee premium sharing schedules and provisions described below. The contribution to be paid by employees for medical and prescription drug benefits coverage for the employee and any dependent shall be either 1.5% of their base salary or according to the applicable percentage rate detailed below, whichever contribution amount is greater:
 - A. For family coverage or its equivalent, an employee who earns:
 - less than \$25,000 shall pay 3 percent of the cost of coverage;
 - \$25,000 or more but less than \$30,000 shall pay 4% of the cost of coverage;
 - \$30,000 or more but less than \$35,000 shall pay 5% of the cost of coverage;
 - \$35,000 or more but less than \$40,000 shall pay 6% of the cost of coverage;
 - \$40,000 or more but less than \$45,000 shall pay 7% of the cost of coverage;
 - \$45,000 or more but less than \$50,000 shall pay 9% of the cost of coverage;
 - \$50,000 or more but less than \$55,000 shall pay 12% of the cost of coverage;
 - \$55,000 or more but less than \$60,000 shall pay 14% of the cost of coverage;
 - \$60,000 or more but less than \$65,000 shall pay 17% of the cost of coverage;
 - \$65,000 or more but less than \$70,000 shall pay 19% of the cost of coverage;
 - \$70,000 or more but less than \$75,000 shall pay 22% of the cost of coverage;
 - \$75,000 or more but less than \$80,000 shall pay 23% of the cost of coverage;
 - \$80,000 or more but less than \$85,000 shall pay 24% of the cost of coverage;

- \$85,000 or more but less than \$90,000 shall pay 26% of the cost of coverage;
- \$90,000 or more but less than \$95,000 shall pay 28% of the cost of coverage;
- \$95,000 or more or but less than \$100,000 shall pay 29% of the cost of coverage;
- \$100,000 or more or but less than \$110,000 shall pay 32% of the cost of coverage;
- \$110,000 or more shall pay 35% of the cost of coverage;

B. For individual coverage or its equivalent, an employee who earns:

- less than \$20,000 shall pay 4.5% of the cost of coverage;
- \$20,000 or more but less than \$25,000 shall pay 5.5% of the cost of coverage;
- \$25,000 or more but less than \$30,000 shall pay 7.5% of the cost of coverage;
- \$30,000 or more but less than \$35,000 shall pay 10% of the cost of coverage;
- \$35,000 or more but less than \$40,000 shall pay 11% of the cost of coverage;
- \$40,000 or more but less than \$45,000 shall pay 12% of the cost of coverage:
- \$45,000 or more but less than \$50,000 shall pay 14% of the cost of coverage;
- \$50,000 or more but less than \$55,000 shall pay 20% of the cost of coverage;
- \$55,000 or more but less than \$60,000 shall pay 23% of the cost of coverage;
- \$60,000 or more but less than \$65,000 shall pay 27% of the cost of coverage;
- \$65,000 or more but less than \$70,000 shall pay 29% of the cost of coverage;
- \$70,000 or more but less than \$75,000 shall pay 32% of the cost of coverage;
- \$75,000 or more but less than \$80,000 shall pay 33% of the cost of coverage;
- \$80,000 or more but less than \$95,000 shall pay 34% of the cost of coverage;
- \$95,000 or more shall pay 35% of the cost of coverage;

- C. For a member with child or spouse coverage or its equivalent, an employee who earns:
 - less than \$25,000 shall pay 3.5% of the cost of coverage;
 - \$25,000 or more but less than \$30,000 shall pay 4.5% of the cost of coverage;
 - \$30,000 or more but less than \$35,000 shall pay 6% of the cost of coverage;
 - \$35,000 or more but less than \$40,000 shall pay 7% of the cost of coverage;
 - \$40,000 or more but less than \$45,000 shall pay 8% of the cost of coverage;
 - \$45,000 or more but less than \$50,000 shall pay 10% of the cost of coverage;
 - \$50,000 or more but less than \$55,000 shall pay 15% of the cost of coverage;
 - \$55,000 or more but less than \$60,000 shall pay 17% of the cost of coverage;
 - \$60,000 or more but less than \$65,000 shall pay 21% of the cost of coverage;
 - \$65,000 or more but less than \$70,000 shall pay 23% of the cost of coverage;
 - \$70,000 or more but less than \$75,000 shall pay 26% of the cost of coverage;
 - \$75,000 or more but less than \$80,000 shall pay 27% of the cost of coverage;
 - \$80,000 or more but less than \$85,000 shall pay 28% of the cost of coverage;
 - \$85,000 or more but less than \$100,000 shall pay 30% of the cost of coverage;
 - \$100,000 or more shall pay 35% of the cost of coverage.
- D. Base salary shall be used to determine what an employee earns for the purposes of this Article and shall mean pensionable salary. "Cost of coverage" means the premium or periodic charges for benefits.
- E. Employee contributions shall be made by way of withholding of the contribution from the employee's pay, salary, or other compensation. Withholdings shall be made by way of equal payroll deductions, to the extent possible, in accordance with the Township's customary payroll practices unless otherwise required by law.
- F. If the Township should entertain any changes to health care benefit plans and/or providers with any other collective bargaining unit during the duration of this contract, the FOP agrees to open up the current contract solely for the purposes of discussing same. It is further agreed that State Health Benefits Plan is deemed an equivalent plan by the parties.

ARTICLE XXVIII

UNIFORMS/EQUIPMENT

All uniformed patrol officers hired on or after April 25, 2018, shall be provided the uniforms and equipment listed below, which uniforms and equipment shall be replaced as required and as approved by the Chief of Police or designee:

- a. 2 short sleeve, 2 long sleeve BDU shirts
- b. 2 BDU pants with gold striping
- c. Nylon duty belt equipped with following: handcuff case, radio holster, OC holster, flashlight holster, gun holster
- d. Handcuffs, assigned radio, OC canister, duty weapon
- e. Department wallet (with badge holder), Weapon safe
- f. New vest
- g. Winter Jacket
- h. One wallet badge, one uniformed badge

ARTICLE XXIX

LOCKOUT AND STRIKE

The Township shall not engage in a lockout of FOP members, nor suspend FOP member's day(s) off, nor allow the Chief of Police to create a hostile work environment; and the FOP shall not engage in a "strike" or illegal job action.

ARTICLE XXX

TERM OF AGREEMENT

This Agreement shall be in full force and effect as of January 1, 2022 and shall remain in effect until December 31, 2025.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Township and the FOP have caused this Agreement to be signed by their duly authorized representatives as of this 15^{th} day of November, 2021

EASTAMPTON FOP LODGE #146	TOWNSHIP OF EASTAMPTON		
11/15/2021	11/15/262/		
Date Ratified:	Date Ratified:		
Casey Horton	Dominic F. Santillo		
President	Mayor		
Michael Vannoy Vice President	Kim-Marie White Township Manager/Municipal Clerk		

APPENDIX A

SALARY SCALE

	2022	2023	2024	2025
Academy	\$35,500.00	\$36,334.25	\$37,188.10	\$38,062.03
Year #1	\$38,500.00	\$39,404.75		\$41,278.53
Year #2	\$41,500.00	\$42,475.25		\$44,495.04
Year #3	\$52,000.00	\$52,745.00		\$55,253.14
Year #4	\$57,500.00			\$61,649.76
Year #5	\$63,000.00	\$64,480.50		\$67,546.69
Year #6	\$66,084.00	\$67,636.97		\$70,853.26
Year #7	\$69,000.00	\$70,621.50		\$73,979.71
Year #8	\$72,000.00			\$77,196.22
Year #9	\$75,000.00			\$80,412.73
Year #10	\$80,000.00		······································	\$85,773.58
Year #11	\$85,000.00			\$91,134.43
Year #12	\$95,000.00			\$101,856.12
Year #13	\$104,000.00	\$106,444.00	\$108,945.43	\$111,505.65
V.	2022	2023	2024	2025
Year 5/6	\$76,000.00	\$77,786.00	\$79,613.97	\$81,484.90
Year 7/8	\$78,000.00	\$79,833.00	\$81,709.08	\$83,629.24
Year 9/10	\$85,000.00	\$86,997.50	\$89,041.94	\$91,134.43
Year 11	\$91,500.00	\$93,650.25	\$95,851.03	\$98,103.53
Year 12	\$98,000.00	\$100,303.00	\$102,660.12	\$105,072.63
Year 13	\$105,500.00	\$107,979.25	\$110,516.76	\$113,113.91
	2022	2023	2024	2025
Year 7/8	\$82,500.00	\$84,438,75	····	\$88,454.00
Year 9/10				\$92,988.00
Year 11				\$100,692.55
Year 12				\$108,397.09
Year 13	\$108,000.49	\$110,538.50	\$113,136.16	\$115,794.86
	2022	2023	2024	2025
Year#1				\$119,010.84
				\$120,083.01
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				\$122,227.35
				\$123,299.52
				\$123,299.52
Year #7	\$117,913.78			\$126,423.59
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