

O: 2015-07

**ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET
APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK
(N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)**

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget up to 1.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Phillipsburg in the County of Warren finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2015 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Town Council hereby determines that a 2% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$253,142 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

WHEREAS the Town Council of the Town of Phillipsburg hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Town Council of the Town of Phillipsburg in the County of Warren, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2015 budget year, the final appropriations of the Town of Phillipsburg shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be increased by 3.5%, amounting to \$442,998, and that the CY 2015 municipal budget for the Town of Phillipsburg be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

CERTIFICATION

I, Victoria L. Kleiner, Acting Municipal Clerk for the Town of Phillipsburg, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an Ordinance duly adopted by the Town Council at their March 10, 2015 meeting.

VICTORIA L. KLEINER,
Acting Municipal Clerk

FIRST READING March 10, 2015

MOTION

Councilman Fey introduced ordinance for the first reading and moved that the ordinance be properly advertised. The motion was seconded by Councilman Tersigni.

VOTE: YEAS: Stetter, Piazza, Tersigni, Fey, Lynn

 NAYS: None

SECOND READING April 7, 2015

MOTION

Councilman Tersigni introduced ordinance for second reading and there being no errors, corrections or objections, Councilman Tersigni moved that the ordinance be adopted according to law. The motion was seconded by Councilman Fey.

VOTE: YEAS: Fey, Stettner, Tersigni, Lynn

 NAYS: None

 ABSENT: Piazza