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AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HOPEWELL, BEAVER COUNTY,
PENNSYLVANIA ESTABLISHING A SCHEDULE OF REASONABLE
ATTORNEY FEES TO BE RECOVERED BY THE TOWNSHIP IN THE COLLECTION OF
ANY DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS INCLUDING MUNICIPAL CLAIMS,
MUNICIPAL LIENS, TAXES, TAX CLAIMS, TAX LIENS, WRITS OF SCIRE FACIAS,
JUDGMENTS AND EXECUTIONS

WHEREAS, The Municipal Claims and Tax Liens Act, Title 53 §7101 et seq., sets for the legal requirements for the recovery by a political subdivision of attorney fees incurred in the collection of any delinquent accounts including municipal claims, municipal liens, taxes, tax claims, tax liens, writs of scire facias, judgments and executions; and

WHEREAS, The Municipal Claims and Tax Liens Act, specifically Title 53 §7106, requires that a political subdivision adopt an Ordinance setting forth a schedule of attorney fees in order to obtain reimbursement of said fees when incurred in the collection of any delinquent accounts including municipal claims, municipal liens, taxes, tax claims, tax liens, writs of scire facias, judgments and executions; and

WHEREAS, Hopewell Township, Beaver County, Pennsylvania, a First Class Township under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in the interests of it's residents and businesses, is desirous of seeking reimbursement for all attorney fees and costs incurred in the collection of any delinquent accounts including municipal claims, municipal liens, taxes, tax claims, tax liens, writs of scire facias, judgments and executions.

**NOW THEREFORE,** based upon the foregoing, be it Enacted and Ordained by the Board of Commissioners for the First Class Township of Hopewell, Beaver County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania that Hopewell Township, pursuant to The Municipal Claims and Tax Liens Act, specifically Title 53 §7106, adopts the following schedule of attorney fees:

- SECTION 1 That the fee of Two Hundred and Fifty (\$250.00) Dollars is hereby adopted as the standard attorney fee for the preparation of any municipal claim and/or lien.
- SECTION 2 That the fee of One Hundred and Fifty (\$150.00) Dollars is hereby adopted as the reasonable standard hourly fee for professional legal services relative to the collection of any delinquent accounts including municipal claims, municipal liens, taxes, tax claims, tax liens, writs of scire facias, judgments and executions.
- SECTION 3 That the filing fees and Court costs relative to municipal claims, municipal liens, taxes, tax claims, tax liens, writs of scire facias, judgments and executions shall be as determined from time to time by the Prothonotary of the County in which said claim is filed and shall be reimbursable to Hopewell Township in said amount.

SECTION 4 It is hereby declared that the intent of this Ordinance is to defray the costs to and obtain reimbursement by the Township relative to the collection of any delinquent accounts including municipal claims, municipal liens, taxes, tax claims, tax liens, writs of scire facias, judgments and executions.

SECTION 5 Any Ordinance or any provision of any Ordinance conflicting with the schedule herein established for the services aforementioned is hereby repealed.

ORDAINED and ENACTED this 21th day of Saytember, 2006. This Ordinance shall be effective immediately.

ATTEST:

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TOWNSHIP OF HOPEWELL

BY:

President, Hopewell Township Board of Commissioners

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