

**BERNARDSVILLE BOROUGH
ORDINANCE #2019-1804**

**AN ORDINANCE FIXING RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE REPAIR AND
MAINTENANCE OF SEWER LATERALS AND SUPPLEMENTING AND AMENDING
CHAPTER XVI OF THE BOROUGH CODE ENTITLED "SEWER REGULATION"**

WHEREAS, it has been an unwritten Borough policy that property owners are responsible for the repair and maintenance of sewer laterals and that the Borough is only responsible for the repair and maintenance of sewer mains and manholes; and

WHEREAS, Borough Public Works Manager John Macdowall has recommended that this policy be codified in an ordinance;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Borough of Bernardsville in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that Chapter XVI of the Borough Code Entitled "Sewer Regulations" is hereby supplemented and amended as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby added a new subsection 16-5 entitled "Responsibility for Repair and Maintenance of Sewer Laterals".

"16-5 Responsibility for Repair and Maintenance of Sewer Laterals

The property owner shall be responsible for the repair and maintenance of building laterals up to the branch connection at the public sewer main. The Borough is only responsible for the repair and maintenance of sewer mains and manholes."

Section 2. Any or all other ordinances or parts thereof in conflict or inconsistent with any of the terms hereof are hereby repealed to such extent as they are so in conflict or inconsistent.

Section 3. In case any article, section or provision of this ordinance shall be held invalid in any court of competent jurisdiction, the same shall not affect any other article, section or provision of this ordinance except insofar as the article, section or provision so declared invalid shall be inseparable from the remainder or any portion thereof.

Section 4. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon final passage and publication as required by law.

COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF
BERNARDSVILLE IN THE COUNTY
OF SOMERSET

ATTEST:

Anthony Suriano, Borough Clerk

By: _____
Mary Jane Canose, Mayor

Introduction: _____

1st Publication: _____

Public Hearing and Adoption: _____

2nd Publication: _____