RESOLUTION 2014 - 08

A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH AND PROMOTE VOLUNTARY WATER CONSERVATION IN MILTON

WHEREAS, the Town of Milton, Delaware, owns, operates and maintains a public water system; and

WHEREAS, water is a valuable resource that should be used wisely and as efficiently as possible; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council recognizes that water is both an essential element for life and a limited resource; and

WHEREAS, Section 29(a)(7) of the Town Charter of the Town of Milton vests power in the Town Council to define, prevent, abate or remove nuisances, obstructions or any other condition detrimental to the public safety, health, welfare; or the health and capacity of eco-systems that support the natural areas of the town; and,

WHEREAS, Section 29(a)(8) of the Town Charter of the Town of Milton vests power in the Town Council to provide for an ample supply of pure water for the Town and its inhabitants and to this end regulate and prescribe the manner of its use;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Milton that the Town hereby establishes and promotes a voluntary water conservation program through conservation recommendations and techniques for its residents such as:

1. Not running water needlessly when washing dishes, shaving or brushing teeth;
2. Keeping a gallon of drinking water in the refrigerator, instead of running tap water each instance waiting for cool water;
3. Taking shorter showers;
4. Plugging the bathtub before turning the water on, and the adjusting the water temperature as the tub fills;
5. Checking for and fixing faucet and toilet leaks;
6. Using a dishwasher or washing machine only when full;
7. Replacing older plumbing with low-flow fixtures and toilets;
8. Installing faucet aerators;
9. Watering landscaping and lawns when necessary, preferably before dawn or after sunset;
10. Using rain barrels for watering landscaping and lawns;
11. Planting native species that are adaptable to the Town’s climate; and
12. Mulching around trees and plants to retain moisture.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Town Council that the Town's residents are encouraged to employ as many of the aforementioned conservation techniques as reasonably possible, as well as others, and to report back to the Town Council with results and additional recommendations.

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, Secretary of the Town Council of the Town of Milton do hereby certify that the above resolution was passed at the meeting of the Town Council, duly called and convened, held on the 24th day of July, 2014, at which a quorum was present and voting throughout and that same is still in full force and effect.

TOWN OF MILTON

BY: [Signature]

SECRETARY OF TOWN COUNCIL

DATE: 7/31/14