



Town of Milton

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RESOLUTION 2023-017

**REGARDING ENFORCEMENT OF TOWN CODE CHAPTER 215 SECTION 10'S REQUIREMENT OF PLACING
WATER METERS OUTSIDE RESIDENCES**

WHEREAS, the Town Charter of the Town of Milton, Delaware ("the Charter") vests power in the Mayor and Town Council to provide for and preserve the health, peace, safety, cleanliness, ornament, good order and public welfare of the town and its inhabitants; and

WHEREAS, the Charter vests power in the Mayor and Town Council to provide an ample supply of potable water for the Town and its inhabitants, and to this end to control all equipment used in or about the distribution or sale of water; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Town Council have passed ordinances regulating potable water and related equipment, with those ordinances codified as Chapter 215 of the Town Code; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 215 indicates that all premises using water service of the Town must be equipped with a water meter furnished or specifically operated by the Town, and that such meters shall be installed outside of the premises, so as to facilitate easy access for reading; and

WHEREAS, a number of residences within the Town were built and equipped with water meters inside those residences; and

WHEREAS, a Resolution was enacted in June 3, 2019 to begin the enforcement of Town Code, which within months many were impacted by the COVID pandemic.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Milton as follows:

THAT the residents and property owners of the Town are hereby placed on notice that compliance with Town Code, Chapter 215, Section 215-10 is mandatory, and not optional; and

THAT all residences in which the water meter is inside are required to be brought into compliance with Section 215-10, as well as the rest of Chapter 215, no later than 2 years from the date of this Resolution; and

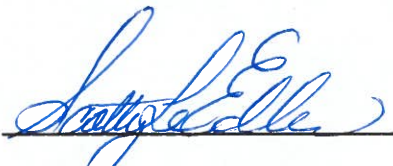
THAT, upon expiration of the aforementioned two-year period, the Town shall seek to enforce compliance, including but not limited to termination of water service, pursuant to Section 215-10B; and

THAT the residents and owners of such residences shall hire a licensed plumber to install a pit and other related parts as needed, and that the meter approved by and purchased from the Town, all at the owner's cost, will also be installed outside the residence in full compliance with Chapter 215 of the Town Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Mayor and Town Council that the following three occurrences require immediate action of this Resolution for the relocation of a meter to a pit outside of the premises:

1. A water leak to the consuming unit
2. A building permit for any work in excess of \$5,000
3. A sale or deed transfer

I, **Scotty L. Edler**, 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 21st day of August, 2023 at which a quorum was present and voting throughout and that same is still in full force and effect. This resolution becomes in affect October 1st, 2023.

By: 

SECRETARY OF TOWN COUNCIL

Date: 08/31/2023