



# County of Lackawanna

Lackawanna County  
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18503

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**Ordinance: 17-0062**

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**Ordinance #248**

**Second Reading**

Office of the Coroner Service Charge

**First Reading: February 22, 2017**

**Second Reading: March 8, 2017**

ORDINANCE #248  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
OF THE  
COUNTY OF LACKAWANNA, PENNSYLVANIA

**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND SETTING FORTH A SERVICE CHARGE FOR THE OFFICE OF CORONER OF LACKAWANNA COUNTY FOR THE CONDUCT OF INVESTIGATIONS PRIOR TO THE ISSUANCE OF A CREMATION PERMIT**

**WHEREAS**, Act 152 of 1990, 16 P.S. § 1237(a)(9) requires Coroners in Third Class Counties to investigate the “deaths or persons whose bodies are to be cremated, buried at sea or otherwise disposed of as to be thereafter unavailable for examination,...” and

**WHEREAS**, to date, the Lackawanna County Coroner has conducted such examinations without charging a fee; and

**WHEREAS**, “The County Code”, 16 P.S. §101, et seq., provides that the coroner shall have duties, responsibilities and authority provided to coroners in counties of the third class; and

**WHEREAS**, The Board of Commissioners of Lackawanna County have the authority to enact and levy service fees pursuant to §1.3-302(c.) of the Lackawanna County Home Rule Charter; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners believes that it is in the best interests of the residents of Lackawanna County to impose a service fee for the issuance of cremation permits and investigation.

**NOW THEREFORE**, it is hereby enacted and ordained by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Lackawanna, Pennsylvania, that:

1. The Coroner of Lackawanna County shall charge a fee of thirty-five (\$35.00) Dollars for every investigation he/she must conduct pursuant to Act 152 of 1990; 16 P.S. §1237(a)(9) and the subsequent issuance of a cremation permit.

2. The County Solicitor shall distribute copies of this Ordinance to the proper offices and other personnel of Lackawanna County whose further action is required to achieve the purpose of this Ordinance.

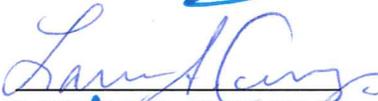
3. This Ordinance shall take effect Ten (10) days following enactment.

**ADOPTED** at a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Lackawanna

County held on March 8, 2017.

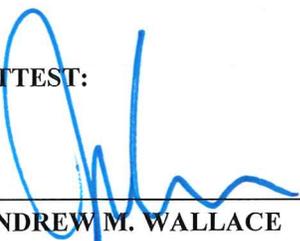
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**ATTEST:**

  
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**Approved as to form and legality:**

  
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**JOHN J. BRAZIL, JR.**  
**COUNTY SOLICITOR**