

ORDINANCE NO. 16-06

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 5, CHAPTER 1
OF THE MORTON MUNICIPAL CODE
RE FIRE DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, the Morton Municipal Code was adopted on March 2, 1970, and duly published in book form; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to create within the Fire Department the designation of Arson Investigator.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF MORTON, Tazewell County, Illinois, that Title 5 Chapter 1 of the Morton Municipal Code is hereby revised by adding Section 17 to read as follows:

5-1-17: ARSON INVESTIGATOR:

There is created within the Fire Department the designation of Arson Investigator, for the purpose of investigating the cause, origin and circumstances of fires and explosions as may be required by 425 ILCS 25, the Fire Investigation Act, and for the investigation of fires or explosions that are suspected to be arson or arson-related crimes.

An Arson Investigator, having met the requirements of the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board, will first be certified by the Illinois Office of the State Fire Marshal before being eligible for appointment within the department. The Fire Chief may further classify a qualified Arson Investigator as a Peace Officer, pursuant to the authority granted under 20 ILCS 2910, the Peace Officer Fire Investigation Act, and when so classified the Arson Investigator shall possess the same powers of arrest, search and seizure and the securing and service of warrants as sheriffs of counties, and police officers within the jurisdiction of their political subdivision.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage, approval, and publication as may be required by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED at a regular meeting of the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Morton this _____ day of _____, 2016; and upon roll call the vote was as follows:

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINING:

APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2016.

President

ATTEST:

Village Clerk