

**CRANBURY TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE # 01-13-03**

**AN ORDINANCE ABOLISHING THE HUMAN SERVICES BOARD AND TRANSFERRING BOARD FUNCTIONS TO THE RECREATION COMMISSION**

WHEREAS, the Cranbury Township Code, Chapter 22, establishes the Township's Human Services Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board was established as a separate department within the Township of Cranbury to provide services involving the evaluation, education and coordination of services to address areas of need for physical and mental health, food, clothing, shelter, transportation and social interaction; and

WHEREAS, the primary functions of the Human Services Board at this time are maintaining the Township's Senior Center and operating programs for the Senior Center; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has determined that these functions can be consolidated with the functions of the Recreation Commission for a more efficient operation of government, and that the ordinance creating the Human Services Board can be repealed; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee offers its gratitude and thanks to the members of the Human Services Board who have voluntarily given their time in service to the Township and its residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranbury as follows:

**SECTION 1.**

Cranbury Township Code, Chapter 22, entitled "Human Services Board," is hereby repealed in its entirety.

**SECTION 2.**

The Human Services Board's responsibilities for operation and maintenance of the Senior Center and for Senior Center programming are hereby transferred to the Cranbury Township Recreation Commission.

**SECTION 3.**

Cranbury Township Code, Chapter 36, entitled "Recreation Commission," is hereby amended as follows (additions underlined, deletions ~~struck through~~):

§ 36-1. Establishment.

In accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40:12-1, there is hereby established a Board of Recreation Commissioners in the Township of Cranbury, County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey, the same to be hereinafter known as the "Cranbury Recreation Commission" or the "Recreation Commission."

§ 36-2. Membership; terms; vacancies.

- A. The Cranbury Recreation Commission shall consist of seven persons who shall be citizens and residents of Cranbury Township and who shall be appointed to serve without pay by the Mayor of Cranbury Township. The members shall be appointed for terms of five years or until their successors are appointed and qualified, except that the terms of office of the members of such Recreation Commission as first appointed shall be for one, two, three, four and five years, respectively, with the sixth and seventh members for four and five years, respectively, with annual appointments thereafter being for the full five-year term. Vacancies shall be filled by appointment of the Mayor of Cranbury Township for the unexpired term or terms.
  
- B. In addition to the regular members, there shall be two alternate members of the Board of Recreation Commissioners who shall be designated at the time of appointment as "Alternate No. 1 and Alternate No. 2." The length of the terms of the alternate members shall be five years; provided, however, that on the initial appointment, the appointment of one alternate shall be for a term of four years and the appointment of the second alternate shall be for a term of five years. A vacancy occurring otherwise than by expiration of term shall be filled by the governing body for the unexpired term only. No alternate member shall be permitted to act on any matter in which the alternate has either directly or indirectly any personal or financial interest. An alternate member may, after public hearing if he requests one, be removed by the governing body for cause. Alternate members may participate in discussions of the proceedings, but may not vote except in the absence of disqualification of a regular member of the Board of Recreation Commissioners. A vote shall not be delayed in order that a regular member may vote instead of an alternate member. In the event that a choice must be made as to which alternate is to vote, Alternate No. 1 shall vote.

§ 36-3. Organization; adoption of bylaws.

- A. Within a reasonable time after the original appointment of members to said Cranbury Recreation Commission, said Commission shall meet, organize and elect one of its members as President, as well as such other officers as may be necessary.
  
- B. The Recreation Commission shall have the power to adopt bylaws and rules for the conduct of recreation within the Township of Cranbury in accordance with the laws of New Jersey.

§ 36-4. Powers and duties.

- A. The Cranbury Recreation Commission may provide, conduct and supervise public recreation activities within the Township of Cranbury.,~~and said~~
- B. The Cranbury Recreation Commission is hereby expressly designated by the Township Committee of Cranbury Township as the proper body to adopt and enforce rules concerning the use of Brainerd Lake for ice skating and other winter sports activities as well as summer sports activities.
- C. The Cranbury Recreation Commission shall be responsible for the operation and maintenance of the Cranbury Senior Center and shall be responsible for Senior Center programming.

§ 36-5. Appointment of supervisors of activities; appropriation of funds.

The Recreation Commission shall have the power to appoint a person or persons to act as supervisor or supervisors of recreation or sports or senior center activities within the Township of Cranbury; provided, however, that no expenditures for such appointment or for such activities ~~therefor~~ shall be authorized unless the funds have been provided by appropriation of the Township Committee or by gifts or bequests or from such other sources as may be authorized and permitted by law.

SECTION 4. Repealer. All ordinances and resolutions, or parts thereof, inconsistent with this Ordinance, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. Severability. If any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudged and the remainder of this Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

SECTION 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage and publication, as required by law.

The ordinance published herewith was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Cranbury, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, held on January 28, 2013. It will be further considered for final passage, after public herein thereon, at a meeting of the Township Committee to be held in the meeting room of Town Hall, 23-A North Main Street, in the Township of Cranbury on February 11, 2013 at 7:00 p.m., and during the week prior and up to and including the date of such meeting, copies of said ordinance will be made available at the Clerk's Office to the members of the general public who shall request the same or on the Township's web site: [www.cranburytownship.org](http://www.cranburytownship.org)

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Municipal Clerk