



THE TOWNSHIP OF BRIDGEWATER

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DAN HAYES
Mayor

Dear New Homeowner,

Welcome to Bridgewater Township! I am sure that you will find this community will meet your every expectation. The Township covers 33 square miles and is home to 44,000 residents. We are located in the center of Somerset County, bordering 11 other municipalities. Bridgewater boasts a variety of parks, recreation and shopping opportunities, excellent schools, a minor league ballpark and employment options at national and international pharmaceutical and biotechnology firms.

The Township Offices are located at 100 Commons way near Bridgewater-Raritan high School. The Police Department, Municipal Court, and our Kidstreet playground are at the same location. You may access our Township website at <http://www.bridgewaternj.gov>. Please take a few minutes to look around on the website. The information on this site is designed to be helpful in navigating the services Township government has to offer.

Bridgewater Township is governed under the provisions of the Faulkner Act, a form of municipal government with the mayor as the chief administrative officer and the Council as the legislative body. The Township Council meets approximately every first and third Monday of each month in the Municipal Court Room. You are always welcome to attend; the meeting agendas can be found on the township website.

Thinking of becoming a volunteer? Bridgewater is served by several fire companies and first aid squads (all volunteers), each covering a different part of the community. Volunteering for a fire company or fist aid squad yields the satisfaction of serving the community in an important role, and also provides a high degree of camaraderie. The members of our volunteer teams would be pleased to speak to you about the range of responsibilities, time involved, and the training provided. Contact information for the various first aid squads/fire companies may be accessed on our website as well.

All the members of the Township staff stand ready to serve you. Please do not hesitate to call or email if you have any questions or are in need of township services. I have included a voter registration for your convenience as well as a brief informational brochure. Please feel free to contact my office with any questions.

Sincerely,

Daniel J. Hayes, Jr.
Mayor

AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

WELCOME TO BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP

Your municipal government offers many excellent services, from the necessary sewer maintenance to the community-building recreation programs. This brochure lists the individuals who work for those important departments, as well as several of the volunteer boards and commissions that add to the quality of life that is the exemplar of other communities. If you are interested in serving the Township in any volunteer capacity, please forward a letter of interest and copy of your resume to me at the address listed in this brochure. Or if you have ideas on how we could improve any services, I would be glad to hear from you.

Sincerely,

Daniel J. Hayes, Jr.
Mayor

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MUNICIPAL BUILDING
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(908) 725-6300

**Or visit us on the web at
www.bridgewaternj.gov**

ADMINISTRATION

Administrator	James T. Naples
Clerk	Linda Doyle
Code Enforcement	Steve Rodzinak
Court	Audrey Lipinski
Economic Development	Howard Turbowitz
Engineering	Robert C. Bogart
Finance	Natasha Turchan
Fire Safety	Phil Langon
Human Resources	J. Gary Howarth
Purchasing	Rose Witt
Human Services	Chris Poulsen
Law	William Savo
Municipal Presiding Judge	William Kelleher
Municipal Prosecutor	Christopher Bateman
Planning	Scarlett Doyle
Police	Manuel Caravela
Public Works	Tom Forsythe
Recreation	Christine Schneider
Senior Services	Donna Langel
Tax Assessment	Anthony DiRado
Tax Collection	Darrow Murdock
Welfare/Affordable Housing	Patricia Padovani
Zoning	Marie Broughman

FIRE DEPARTMENTS

Bradley Gardens	(908) 725-1250	Bradley Gardens	(908) 725-0761
Country Hills	(908) 725-7070	Finderne	(732) 469-5311
Finderne	(732) 356-3024	Green Knoll	(908) 722-8681
Green Knoll	(908) 725-7216	Martinsville	(732) 469-1505
Martinsville	(732) 469-1955		
North Branch	(908) 725-2305		

RESCUE SQUADS

Township Council meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month, with work sessions on the preceding Thursday. Please visit the Township website for a complete listing of meetings.

BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP FACTS

Our 32-square mile community is in the center of Somerset County and borders 12 other municipalities. It includes beautiful countryside, quiet neighborhoods, sophisticated retail districts, the TD Bank Ballpark, and modern office facilities.

Demographics:

Population: 45,000

Land Area: 32.68 sq. mi.

Type of Government: Mayor/Council

Municipal Services:

Police Non-Emergency: 908-722-4111

All Emergencies Dial 911

Libraries:

Somerset County Library 908-526-4016

Washington Valley Library 732-356-2363

Hospital:

RWJ Medical Center 908-685-2200

Utilities:

PSE&G 800-436-7734

JCP&L 800-452-9155

New Jersey American Water 800-652-6987

Transportation Services:

New Jersey Transit 973-275-5555

Suburban Transit 800-222-0492

Public Paratransit 908-231-7115

BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES

Creative Arts Committee

Encourages creative talents within Bridgewater.

Economic Development Committee

Focuses on creating a positive business environment for the attraction, promotion and retention of diverse economic activities.

Environmental Commission

Provide for review of environmental impact statements and waiver requests for Planning Board applications. Also makes recommendations to Administration on recycling, environmental education programs, and enforcement and proposal of local environmental regulations.

Health Advisory Board

Provide advice and assistance to the Health Officer in connection with health programs and policies.

Housing Advisory Board

Provide assistance to the Director of Human Services in implementing the affordable housing program.

Mayor's Wellness Campaign

Local health professionals and employees recommend healthy programs to Mayor for community.

Open Space Advisory Committee

Reviews and recommends parcels of land for acquisition and preservation as open space.

BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES

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Parks Board

Make recommendations to Administration on improvement projects and enhancements.

Planning Board

Responsible for the review and approval of subdivision and site plan applications. Also charged with recommending to the Township Council approval of Master Plan updates.

Recreation

Provides opportunities for enriching the lives and meeting the recreational needs of Bridgewater Residents to promote a spirit of cooperation, build self-esteem, encourage healthy competition, and develop lifelong recreational interests among all program participants.

Shade Tree Board

Establishes the standards for landscape environment, location, type, size of trees, and the development of landscaped buffer areas within the Township.

Sustainability

A subcommittee to the Environmental Commission that supports the Sustainable Jersey initiatives.

Youth Services Commission

Bridgewater-Raritan Alliance for the

Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse

Implements various grant funded programs related to youth issues and substance abuse prevention for all ages.

Zoning Board of Adjustment

Responsible for interpreting land use code and granting final approvals and variances for development applications.

TOWNSHIP OF BRIDGEWATER



MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

Mayor	Daniel J. Hayes, Jr.
Council President	Howard Norgalis
Councilman	Allen Kurdyla
Councilman	Matthew Moench
Councilman	Filipe Pedroso
Councilwoman	Christine Henderson Rose



New Jersey Voter Registration Application

Please print clearly in ink. All information is required unless marked optional.

1 Check boxes that apply: <input type="checkbox"/> New Registration <input type="checkbox"/> Address Change <input type="checkbox"/> Political Party Affiliation or Non-affiliation Change <input type="checkbox"/> Name Change <input type="checkbox"/> Signature Update						FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY	
2 Are you a U.S. Citizen? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <i>(If No, DO NOT complete this form)</i>			Will you be 18 years of age by the next election? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <i>(If No, DO NOT complete this form)</i>				Clerk
3 Last Name		First Name	Middle Name or Initial	Suffix (<i>Jr., Sr., III</i>)			Registration #
4 Date of Birth							Office Time Stamp
5 NJ Driver's License Number or MVC Non-driver ID Number _____				If you DO NOT have a NJ Driver's License or MVC Non-Driver ID, provide the last 4 digits of your Social Security Number. _____		<input type="checkbox"/> by mail <input type="checkbox"/> in person	
<input type="checkbox"/> "I swear or affirm that I DO NOT have a NJ Driver's License, MVC Non-driver ID or a Social Security Number."							
6 Home Address (<i>DO NOT use PO Box</i>)		Apt.	Municipality	County	State		Zip Code
7 Mailing Address if different from above		Apt.	Municipality	County	State	Zip Code	
8 Last Address Registered to Vote (<i>DO NOT use PO Box</i>)		Apt.	Municipality	County	State	Zip Code	
9 Former Name if Making Name Change			a. Day Phone Number (<i>Optional</i>) _____				
			b. E-Mail Address (<i>Optional</i>) _____				
10 Do you wish to declare a political party affiliation? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, the party name is _____ <i>(Optional)</i> <input type="checkbox"/> No, I do not wish to be affiliated with any political party.							
11 Gender <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Male		Declaration - I swear or affirm that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● I am a U.S. Citizen ● I live at the above address ● I will be at least 18 years old on or before the next election ● I will have resided in the State and county at least 30 days before the next election ● I am not on parole, probation or serving a sentence due to a conviction for an indictable offense under any federal or state laws ● I understand that any false or fraudulent registration may subject me to a fine of up to \$15,000, imprisonment up to 5 years, or both pursuant to R.S. 19:34-1 					
Signature: Sign or mark and date on lines below X _____ Date _____				If applicant is unable to complete this form, print the name and address of individual who completed this form. Name _____ Date _____ Address _____			

Important Instructions for sections 5, 6 and 10

5) Registrants who are submitting this form by mail and are registering to vote for the first time: If you do not have any of the information required by section 5, or the information you provide cannot be verified, you will be asked to provide a COPY of a current and valid photo ID, or a document with your name and current address on it to avoid having to provide identification at the polling place.

Note: ID Numbers are Confidential and will not be released by any governmental agency. Any person who uses such numbers illegally shall be subject to criminal penalties.

6) If you are homeless, you may complete section 6 by providing a contact point or the location where you spend most of your time.

10) You may declare a political affiliation or you may declare to be unaffiliated, regardless of any prior party affiliation. Completing section 10 is OPTIONAL and will not affect the acceptance of your voter registration application.

Need More Information? Check boxes below if you would like to receive more information about:

- voting by mail
- becoming a poll worker
- polling place accessibility
- voting if you have a disability, including visual impairment
- available election materials in this alternative language:

For further information visit Elections.NJ.gov or call toll-free 1-877-NJVOTER (1-877-658-6837)



New Jersey Voter Registration Information

You can register to vote if:

- You are a United States citizen
- You will be 18 years of age by the next election
- You will be a resident of the State and county 30 days before the election
- You are **NOT** currently serving a sentence, probation or parole because of a felony conviction

Registration Deadline: 21 days before an election

Your County Commissioner of Registration will notify you if your application is accepted. If it is not accepted, you will be notified on how to complete and/or correct the application.

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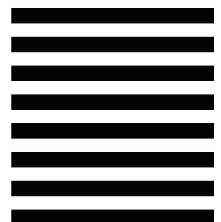


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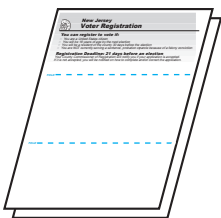
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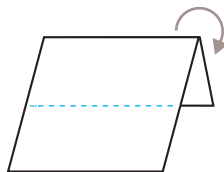


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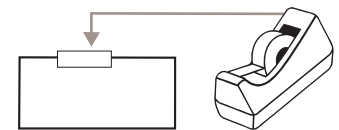
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