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Red Bank, New Jersey

JUNE 2023



FORMING A MORE PERFECT UNION

- Laura Reinertsen, Borough Clerk

The citizens of Red Bank have opted to change the borough's form of government. On May 9, 2023, they went to the polls to elect the first "Council - Manager" governing body; results can be found here:

<https://www.redbanknj.org/160/Clerk>

You're probably wondering "What does this mean?"

According to the International City/County Management Association*, the council-manager form of government combines the strong political leadership of elected officials with the strong managerial experience of an appointed city manager. All power and authority to set policy rests with an elected governing body, the city council. The council in turn hires a nonpartisan manager who runs the organization.

Borough Council's Role

The borough council is the community's legislative and policymaking body. Power is centralized in the elected council, which, for example, approves the budget and determines the tax rate. The council also focuses on the community's goals, major projects and such long-term considerations as community growth, land use development, capital improvement and financing and strategic planning. The council hires a professional manager to implement the administrative responsibilities related to these goals and supervises the manager's performance.

Mayor's Role

In council-manager communities, the mayor is a voting member of the borough council who presides at council meetings, represents the borough in intergovernmental relationships, appoints members of citizen advisory boards and commissions (*with the advice and consent of council*), assigns agenda items to committees, facilitates communication and understanding between elected and appointed officials and assists the council in setting goals and advocating policy decisions.

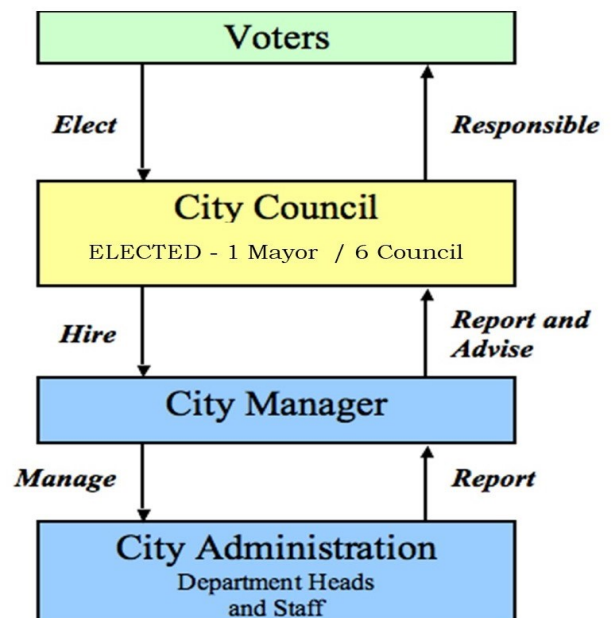
Borough Manager's Role

The borough manager is hired to serve the council and the

community and brings to the local government the benefits of his/her training and experience in administering municipal projects and programs. The manager prepares a budget for the council's consideration; recruits, hires, terminates, and supervises government staff; serves as the council's chief advisor; and carries out the council's policies. Council members and residents count on the manager to provide complete and objective information about local operations, discuss the pros and cons of alternatives and offer an assessment of the long-term consequences of their decisions. The manager makes policy recommendations to the council for consideration and final decision. The manager is bound by whatever action the council takes, and control is always in the hands of the elected representatives of the people. Appointed managers serve at the pleasure of the governing body. They can be fired by a majority of the council, consistent with local laws, or any employment agreements they may enter into with the council.

**All of the information on this page was provided by the International City/County Management Association.*

The new government and governing body will commence effective July 1, 2023.



"Somewhere inside of all of us is the power to change the world." - Roald Dahl

COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

The Senior Center is excited to announce that they plan to move back into 80 Shrewsbury Avenue on June 9th!

The Center is requesting donations from citizens and friends. Please contact jreynolds@redbanknj.org

Here is a list of items the Senior Center is in need of:

Pool cues, billiard balls and cue chalk, books and puzzles, file cabinets, round placemats for centerpieces (10), centerpieces (10), bingo balls, magazine subscriptions, plants (for inside and patio), crafts, small weights (for exercise class), Yoga, Tai Chi, senior exercise videos, pictures for walls, throw pillows, podium and mic, travel size hygiene products, shower curtain/mat set, Depends

and other sanitary items, grill tools/utensils, pots and pans and cooking utensils

Councilmember Zipprich, Senior Center Liaison



PARKS & RECREATION

- Director Oscar Salinas



Summer Camp – spaces are filling up quickly. If you are interested in sending your child to camp this summer. Red Bank Rec offers these programs for children ages 4-13. Limited spots available!!!



PRIDE in the Park – June 10th at 1pm at Riverside Gardens Park. Red Bank Parks and Recreation invites you to the annual Pride in the Park event at Riverside Gardens. The event will take place on June 10th at 1 p.m. (Rain Date: June 17th). This event is a celebration of diversity, inclusivity, and love for the LGBTQ+ community. The event will feature vendors, giveaways, guest speakers, and activities for the whole family. This event will also feature live music by DJ Tallspeedy.

JUNETEENTH Celebration – June 18th at 1pm at Johnny Jazz Park. We will be having our annual



Juneteenth celebration event, where we will come together to commemorate the end of slavery in the United States and honor the sacrifices and contributions of Black Americans throughout history. This event will include live music, guest speakers, food, vendors, and more! The celebration will take place on Saturday June 18th from 1pm - 4pm at Johnny Jazz Park.

We hope that you will join us for this special day of remembrance, reflection, and celebration. Don't miss out on the opportunity to be a part of this important event!



"It isn't where you came from. It's where you're going that counts." – Ella Fitzgerald

GRAND RE-OPENING

We're Back!

Red Bank Senior Center

80 Shrewsbury Ave., Red Bank

RED BANK SENIOR CENTER
Friday, June 9, 2023 4pm - 7pm

Re-opening Meet & Greet

Come out and celebrate with us!

**Please bring a friend or family member to celebrate the
re-opening of our beautiful center with us!**

Light refreshments and entertainment will be provided.

Employee Spotlight

Joanne joined the Borough in 2014. Since then she has set the bar for customer service. It is not unusual to find her going above and beyond to help court visitors and colleagues alike.

She is a renowned baker in the borough; we trip over each other to get the door for her when she has a platter in her hands!

Joanne has proven to be the epitome of proficiency and kindness. She is looking forward to retirement in July and while someone may take her position they will be hard pressed to take her place.



Joanne Strollo
Violations Clerk

"It's a smile, it's a kiss, it's a sip of wine... it's summertime!" – Kenny Chesney