

Welcome to the Township of Ocean!

Known as “The Community of Gracious Living”, the boundaries of our municipality were created by an Act of the Assembly on February 21, 1849. Prior to that, Ocean encompassed a much larger stretch of Monmouth County and also bordered the Atlantic Ocean. Today we enjoy social diversity in our many neighborhoods while remaining a close-knit community with an outstanding school system, a large variety of parks and recreational activities (including a public pool and tennis facility and our own nine-hole golf course), a public library, and a variety of quality shopping and dining experiences within close proximity.

Take a look through our municipal website, www.oceantwp.org, for information about the various aspects of our government that are here to serve you. Here is a general breakdown:

The Township of Ocean’s five-member, non-partisan Council, www.oceantwp.org/mayorandcouncil, operate under the Council-Manager form of government with Council members serving four-year, concurrent terms. The Council sets policy for the municipality.

FAQ’s – www.oceantwp.org/FAQs - Need to know where to vote, when your trash will be picked up, how to obtain a certificate of occupancy, pay a ticket, volunteer, sign up for recreational programs? Get answers to these and many more questions here.

Links - www.oceantwp.org/links will provide you with links to our public school system, various State and County offices, your fire districts, local utility providers, and a number of other local entities that provide varied information and resources.

The Department of Public Works, www.oceantwp.org/publicworks, is made up of five divisions - Administration, Buildings and Grounds, Streets and Roads, Sanitation and Recycling, and Fleet Maintenance.

The Department of Community Development, www.oceantwp.org/communitydevelopment, has eight major areas of responsibility: Construction and Building, Planning and Zoning, Housing, Code Enforcement, business licenses, food and vending licenses, dog and cat licensing, and garage sale permits.

The Department of Human Services, www.oceantwp.org/humanservices, (comprised of the Community Services Office, the Recreation Office, and the non-profit, school-aged childcare program, Project Extend) provides integrated and comprehensive services that promote the welfare of the community, the positive development of youth, and the strengthening of families.

Duties of the Municipal Clerk's office, www.oceantwp.org/clerk, include secretary to the Governing Body, election administrator, records custodian, registrar of vital statistics, legalized games of chance (including raffle and bingo licensing) maintenance of Township ordinances, resolutions, and minutes, Alcoholic Beverage Control licensing, landlord registration, assessment searches.

The Tax Collector's office, www.oceantwp.org/collector, oversees the billing and collection of quarterly property tax and sewer payments.

The Tax Assessor's office, www.oceantwp.org/assessor, is responsible for estimating the market value of your property. This office also assists seniors and veterans with property tax deduction applications.

Our Police Department's, www.oceantwp.org/police, mission is to ensure the safety and protection of both property and people in our community; to reduce the impact of crime; the adjudication of people involved in criminal acts; and to regulate and control the flow of traffic.

The mission of the Code Enforcement office, www.oceantwp.org/codeenforcement, is to attain compliance with Township codes regarding land use regulations and the maintenance of structures and premises through education, cooperation, enforcement and abatement.

The Office of the Township Manager, www.oceantwp.org/administration, is the focal point of the administrative operations. The Manager is the chief executive and administrative official of the Township.

Sincerely,

William F. Larkin
Mayor

Christopher P. Siciliano
Deputy Mayor

Donna L. Schepiga
Councilwoman

William J. Garofalo
Councilman

W. Michael Evans
Councilman