



BOROUGH OF FRANKLIN LAKES
RESIDENT HANDBOOK

*Handy reference guide for all
Borough information*

www.franklinlakes.org

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2015 MAYOR AND COUNCIL

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Councilman Thomas G. Lambrix
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Franklin Lakes operates under the Borough form of government, with six councilpersons and one Mayor. The governing body is empowered to enact local ordinances, levy municipal taxes, and conduct the affairs of our community.

The Mayor serves a four-year term and is responsible for carrying out certain executive functions within the Borough. The Mayor runs the Mayor and Council meetings but votes on issues only in the case of a tie. The six Councilpersons serve staggered three-year terms and are responsible for most legislative and executive functions.

The Mayor and Council are chosen through partisan elections. Look for election information on the Borough Clerk's webpage on the Borough's website.

Mayor and Council meetings are open to the public. They are generally held at 7:30 PM at Borough Hall on the first (in the Conference Room on the first floor) and third (in the Council Chambers on the third floor) Tuesday of each month. At every meeting there is an opportunity for the public to speak on any issue, whether it is on the agenda or not. Meeting agendas, minutes, and other information are available on the Borough website.

If you would like to schedule an appointment with Mayor Bivona, please contact his Administrative Assistant, Lynette Sidoti, at (201) 891-0048, ext. 1204.

MAYORS WELLNESS CAMPAIGN



The Franklin Lakes Mayors Wellness Campaign coordinates programs conducted throughout the year designed to promote healthy activities and well-being in our community. The goal of this campaign is to increase opportunities for residents to participate in physical activity with a long-term goal of improving health. Activities and events are designed for all age groups, from youth to seniors.

“I am pleased to work with the Mayors Wellness Campaign to get our community exercising more, eating properly and living healthier, more active lifestyles.”

- Mayor Frank Bivona

The Mayors Wellness Campaign sponsored dozens of wellness activities in recent years including Living Healthy Week, Paddle Days, Baskets For Franklin Lakes, Nature Preserve Wellness Walks, the Franklin Lakes Triathlon, Scenic Half Marathon, Youth Biathlon, and the Reindeer Run.

To get involved, contact the Mayors Wellness Coordinator, Dina Robinson, at DRobinson@franklinlakes.org. For more information or to take the Wellness Pledge, go to the Mayors Wellness Campaign on the Borough website.

FRANKLIN LAKES HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Franklin Lakes Historical Society was created to help preserve our Borough’s rich history, while at the same time looking to the future of our unique community and those who choose to make this their home.

If you would like more historical information on Franklin Lakes or would like to become a Historical Society member, please contact Paulette Ramsey at PRamsey@franklinlakes.org.

NATIVE AMERICANS IN FRANKLIN LAKES HISTORY



In the 17th century, the Lenni Lenape Indians traveled the land we now call Franklin Lakes. A tribe of the Lenape, the Minsi, lived along the Ramapo River. Their name means “men of the stony country.” Looking around town today, we still see a multitude of stone walls - a reminder of the Minsi’s previous presence in the community. Native Americans trails were later developed into roads with the arrival of settlers. Franklin Avenue is thought to have been a Native American trail.

This is not the only evidence of Native Americans in Franklin Lakes. In 1913, Max Schrabisch conducted an archaeological survey for the northern part of New Jersey.



This survey showed the presence of Native Americans in Franklin Lakes. An ancient village was said to have been located northwest of Franklin Lake. Schrabisch believes fishing camps were located along the shores of Franklin Lake, which was once known as Mincharagrape Pond.

The Franklin Clove, south of Franklin Lake, showed signs of a winter camp occupied by the Pompton Indians. When describing the shelters, Schrabisch said, “... it was often tenanted, not only by single hunters, but also by whole families... such occupation would be more or less permanent...” The Clove is broken up into two sections. Pieces of pottery were found in the upper section, which leads researchers to believe a more advanced type of Indian was once located here. Relics were found spread out around the fields west of the Clove and a burial ground is believed to have been just north of Sicomac Road.

The study of Franklin Lakes history starts with the study of Native American villages within the community, long before European settlers arrived in the area.

References:

- [Franklin Lakes: Its History and Heritage](#) by Maria S. Braun
- [Bergen County Historical Society - Franklin Lakes](#), by Reginald McMahon, www.bergencountyhistory.org/Pages/franklinlakes.html
- [A Preliminary Report of the Archaeological Survey of the State of New Jersey](#), Skinner and Schrabisch, 1913

MEETING SCHEDULE

All meetings held at Borough Hall,
480 DeKorte Drive, unless otherwise noted.

Meeting schedules may change so check the
Borough website for updated schedules.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

First and third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM

BOARD OF HEALTH

First Monday of alternate months at 7:00 PM

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Third Monday of each month at 7:00 PM

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Third Monday of each month at 7:00 PM
in the Local History Room at the Franklin Lakes Public Library

MUNICIPAL COURT

Second and fourth Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM

PLANNING BOARD

First and third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 PM

RECREATION AND PARKS COMMITTEE

Third Monday of each month at 7:30 PM

SHADE TREE COMMISSION

Second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

First Thursday of each month at 8:00 PM

SWIFT911 REGISTRATION

Are you prepared for the next emergency? Have you registered your unlisted and cell phone numbers with the Franklin Lakes Swift 911 emergency system? Register at www.franklinlakes.org and receive all emergency communications.

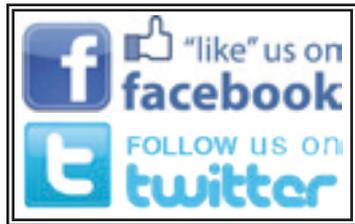
COMMUNICATIONS

Borough Website - www.franklinlakes.org

The Borough's communications program starts with its award-winning website. The website is the comprehensive source for all Borough information. Website features include the Performance Dashboard (tracks performance of Borough departments), the Video Tour Book (a series of videos featuring Franklin Lakes education, history, parks and recreation, and going green), Local Business Directory, and Resident Service Requests.

Other elements of the communications program include:

- the e-blast (E-Mail Update)
- Facebook page
- Twitter
- Swift911 (during emergencies)
- Borough calendar
- Resident Handbook
- press releases
- cable television channels.



All communications are coordinated "in-house," with the invaluable assistance of the Borough's volunteer interns.

BOROUGH E-BLAST

Sign up to receive e-mail updates and information on what's happening in the Borough.

Through the E-Mail Update service, you can receive periodic e-mails from the Borough with Borough news, emergency alerts, information on special events and upcoming meetings.



CABLE CHANNELS

Cablevision Channel 77 & FiOS Channel 46

The Borough broadcasts on its two cable public access channels – Channel 77 on Cablevision and Channel 46 on Verizon FiOS. The Borough has implemented a cable bulletin board which broadcasts basic information on the Borough, such as meeting dates, recycling and garbage collection information, emergency services information, and Recreation Center and Library hours, as well as information on Borough events. Emergency information will also be posted in a timely manner.

ADMINISTRATION

Borough Administrator

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Administrative Assistant to Mayor and Borough Administrator

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Ext. 1204

Under the direction of the Mayor and Council, the Borough Administrator supervises the day-to-day activities of the Borough departments and acts as chief administrative officer of the Borough. The Administrator is responsible for the proper and efficient administration of the business affairs of the Borough.

The Administrator administers personnel regulations, works on the budget with the CFO, functions as purchasing agent, prepares bid documents, administers contracts, supervises public communications, handles citizen inquiries, and performs other administrative duties and special projects as requested by the Mayor and Council.

ALL BOROUGH HALL OFFICES

480 DeKorte Drive

Franklin Lakes, New Jersey 07417

Main Phone (201) 891-0048

Main Fax (201) 848-9453

Hours: 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM

Monday to Friday (excluding holidays)

Construction and Tax Collection Departments

Hours: 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM

BOROUGH CLERK

Borough Clerk

Sally T. Bleeker, RMC

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Ext. 1202

Deputy Borough Clerk

Jenn Crespo, RMC

JCrespo@franklinlakes.org

Ext. 1200

The Borough Clerk's Office serves as a central point of contact for residents. The Borough Clerk serves as the secretary to the governing body, prepares the meeting agendas, records the minutes of Mayor and Council meetings, and processes resolutions and ordinances adopted by the Mayor and Council in accordance with State law.

The Borough Clerk is the custodian of the municipal seal and maintains custody of all minute books, bonds, contracts, and archival records of the Borough. The Borough Clerk is the liaison between the public and the governing body.

The Borough Clerk is the Election Official for the Borough and provides voter registration applications, issues and receives nominating petitions for Borough elective offices, conducts local elections and certifies the results.

VOTER REGISTRATION

The last day to register to vote in the General Election is 21 days before the election. You must be 18 years old by the date of the next election and have resided in Franklin Lakes for at least 30 days prior to the election. Mail-In Ballot applications may be obtained from the Borough Clerk or County Clerk no later than seven days prior to the election.

DOG AND CAT LICENSE RENEWAL

All dogs and cats must be licensed. Dog licensing is conducted during the month of March and cat licensing is conducted in July in accordance with local ordinances.

Applications are available in the Borough Clerk's office and online (see the webpage on the Borough website). Application requirements, including the fee schedule, are available online.

If you have any questions, please call the Borough Clerk at (201) 891-0048, Ext. 1200, or by email at SBleeker@franklinlakes.org

FINANCE AND TAX COLLECTION

Chief Financial Officer

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Ext. 1215

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Tax Collector

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Ext. 1216

Accounts Payable

Kelly Semrau

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Ext. 1214

Hours: 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM

The Finance Office is responsible for all financial operations of the Borough. All services are performed in-house except for payroll processing. The Finance Office maintains books and records of all financial transactions, administers payroll, pays claims, and controls all expenditures to ensure that budget appropriations are not exceeded. The preparation of the annual budget originates within this department.

The Tax Collector's Office collects and processes tax payments. Tax Bills are mailed once a year in the July/August period. The bill includes four quarterly payment coupons for payments due on August 1, November 1, February 1 and May 1. Please note the Borough has a 10 calendar day grace period for each tax quarter. If payment is received after the grace period, interest reverts back to the due date. Interest is charged at the rate of 8% on the first \$1,500 and 18% for any amount above \$1,500.

The Tax Office is open late on one night during the tax collection period each quarter from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM. Please check the Borough website for more information.

PROPERTY TAX RELIEF PROGRAMS

New Jersey residents may be eligible for some property tax relief programs currently in place. For more information on these programs please visit www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/relief.shtml. This website will help you find any option that may fit your circumstances to help you save the most money possible.

TAX ASSESSOR

Tax Assessor

Edmund Brown, CTA

EBrown@franklinlakes.org

Ext. 1223

Fax: (201) 891-2472

Hours: Tuesday 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM; Wednesday 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM;

Thursday 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Tax Assessor Clerk

Jean Bibbo

JBibbo@franklinlakes.org

Ext. 1222

Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM;

Thursday 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM

The Tax Assessor is required annually to assess real property at full value as of October 1st of the pretax year. When assessing properties for taxation, the Tax Assessor acts as an agent of the State Legislature.

MUNICIPAL COURT

Judge

Honorable Francis J. Leddy, Jr., J.M.C.

Prosecutor

Mark R. DiMaria, Esq.

Public Defender

Salvadore H. Sclafani, Esq.

Court Administrator

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Court Sessions - Second and Fourth Thursdays of the month at 7:00 PM

Mission Statement

The Court is constitutionally entrusted with the fair and just resolution of disputes in order to preserve the rule of law and to protect the rights and liberties guaranteed by the Constitution and law of the United States and this State of New Jersey and the Borough of Franklin Lakes. While maintaining its integrity and independence its mission is to provide quality customer service, ensuring equal justice to all who come in contact with this municipal court.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

490 DeKorte Drive

For an emergency call 911

For a non-emergency call (201) 891-3131

Fax: (201) 891-0967

Police Chief

Carmine Pezzuti

CPezzuti@franklinlakes.org

The Police Department operates as the Borough's public safety department. This department is committed to outstanding service and ensuring a safe place to live for Borough residents 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. See the Police Department webpage on the Borough's website for more information.

You may also contact by e-mail:

- Detective - detectivebureau@franklinlakes.org
- Traffic - trafficbureau@franklinlakes.org
- Patrolmen - patrolmen@franklinlakes.org

OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Emergency Management Coordinator

Craig Goldman

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Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator

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New Jersey State law requires every municipality to have an Emergency Operations Plan and to appoint an Emergency Management Coordinator, who is responsible for coordinating the necessary actions to protect lives and property during times of disaster and emergency. Municipalities must also appoint a Local Emergency Planning Council (LEPC) for which the Coordinator serves as chairperson. All municipal departments and first responder agencies are represented on the LEPC. Cooperatively, this group develops the Emergency Operations Plan.

OEM volunteers, including the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), County Animal Response Team (CART) and OEM Auxiliary members, are the first line of support when a disaster occurs. OEM coordinates training programs for residents that prepare you to take care of your family, your neighbors, and your community.

Want to join our team of dedicated volunteers?

E-mail oem@franklinlakes.org.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

479 Bender Court
(201) 891-5736
Fax: (201) 891-4507

The Franklin Lakes Volunteer Fire Department was founded in 1924 and continues to serve the community 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. The Fire Department is continually working to promote a “fire safe” Franklin Lakes. If you are interested in joining the Fire Department, contact Fire Chief Ryan Dodd at (201) 891-5736 or firechief@franklinlakes.org.

Volunteer applications are available from the Borough Clerk. Applicants must be at least 16 years of age. Further information can be found at the Fire Department’s website, www.franklinlakesfire.com.

FIRE PREVENTION

Ext. 1227
Fax: (201) 847-1361
Hours: Monday 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM; Wednesday 8:30 AM - 2:00 PM

Fire Official

Steve Linz
SLinz@franklinlakes.org

Secretary

Nancy Durkin
NDurkin@franklinlakes.org

Fire Inspectors

Brian Dalton, Robert Payton, Ken Steenstra, John Stokes, and David Williams

AMBULANCE CORPS

480 Bender Court
Ext. 1260 or (201) 891-5151
Fax: (201) 891-4963

The Franklin Lakes Volunteer Ambulance Corps is comprised of a dedicated group of individuals. They unselfishly dedicate their time and energy to provide ambulance service and first aid care to residents of the Borough and other area municipalities without cost. The Corps also provides standby coverage and first aid personnel in the event of a fire, disaster, civil disorder, and for functions held within the Borough. Their mission is to provide to our community timely, caring and professional emergency medical service.

To find out more information or to join the Franklin Lakes Volunteer Ambulance Corps, please visit their website at www.flvac.com.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

500 DeKorte Drive (behind Police Headquarters)
(201) 891-4333
Fax: (201) 891-2536
Monday - Friday 7:30 AM - 3:30 PM

Superintendent

Rich Lilienthal

RLilienthal@franklinlakes.org

Secretary

Nancy Durkin

NDurkinFLDPW@franklinlakes.org

The duties of the Department of Public Works include:

- Roads - Maintain all municipal roads which includes snow plowing and salting, street sweeping, and filling potholes.
- Drainage - Maintain stormwater drainage system. The Borough has 2,500 storm drains that must be inspected, cleaned and repaired. Help maintain Borough waterways.
- Parks - Maintain all Borough parks, playgrounds/athletic fields, grounds at all Borough-owned buildings and parking lots, and Borough rights of way.
- Fleet maintenance - Operate central repair garage and fuel depot, and maintain Borough vehicles.
- Recycling - Operate and maintain leaf compost facility, collect curbside metal/large appliances recycling, and operate and maintain recycling drop off facility.
- Buildings - Maintenance and repair of all Borough buildings.
- Trash and recycling collection - Collect trash and recycling at all Borough parks and fields, and recycling at Borough buildings.
- Capital projects - Involved in countless capital projects.



Report an Issue

Make a Service Request

SERVICE REQUEST

If you have an issue or problem, submit your service request online at www.franklinlakes.org.

GARBAGE AND RECYCLING

Solid Waste and Recycling Contractor
Gaeta Recycling Co., Inc.
973-278-6625, Ext.1

A complete guide to all garbage and recycling issues is available on the Borough website and in the Borough's Garbage & Recycling pamphlet which is distributed annually to all residents.

Curbside Recycling

Paper, Magazines and Cardboard
Commingled - Glass, Metal, Plastic
Yard Waste
Metals/Large Appliance
Christmas Tree Recycling

Drop-Off Recycling

Batteries
Electronic Waste
Household Hazardous Waste
Leaf Compost Recycling
Tire Recycling

KEEP BEARS AWAY WITH GOOD GARBAGE HABITS

If you live in areas where black bears have been sighted, secure your trash containers and place them curbside as close to pick-up time as possible (if feasible, on the morning that garbage or recycling is scheduled for collection – but not later than 6:00 AM), and wash or spray trash containers with a disinfectant in order to eliminate food odors.

BOARD OF HEALTH

President

Marilyn Fuhr

Registrar of Vital Statistics/Secretary to the Board of Health

Nancy Yarish

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Principal Registered Environmental Health Specialist

Marjorie Vanacore

MVanacore@franklinlakes.org

Ext. 1210

The Board of Health consists of five members of the community appointed by the Mayor and each serving a three-year term. The Board of Health is charged with the responsibility and authority of protecting and enhancing public health. The Board may adopt such rules and regulations as permitted by law which aid in the proper understanding and general enforcement of public health.

The Board of Health meets on the first Monday of alternate months beginning in January at 7:00 PM.

CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT

Construction Official

John Wittekind, Jr.
JWittekind@franklinlakes.org

Ext. 1213

Fax: (201) 847-1361

Technical Assistant

Carla Mecionis
CMecionis@franklinlakes.org

Ext. 1211

Subcode Officials

Building - John Wittekind, Jr.

Electrical - Brian Vanore

Fire - Dave Williams

Plumbing - Paul Albanese

The Construction Department issues permits to ensure that all Borough construction is done in accordance with the New Jersey State Uniform Building Code and local building and zoning codes. Building permits provide the means for Code Officials to protect the residents' health, safety and welfare by reducing the potential hazards of unsafe construction. An application for a permit must be made before any construction or remodeling work begins.

For more information on building permits, the inspection sequence, and other frequently asked questions please visit the Building Department section of the website at www.franklinlakes.org.

For further assistance or to schedule an appointment or inspection, contact the Technical Assistant Carla Mecionis.

ZONING OFFICER

Zoning Officer

John Wittekind, Jr.
JWittekind@franklinlakes.org

Ext. 1213

Fax: (201) 847-1361

The Zoning Officer is responsible for enforcing the provisions of the Borough's zoning ordinance. Zoning permits, issued by the Zoning Officer, must be obtained prior to any construction, erection, relocation, or alteration of any structure. Also, a zoning permit must be obtained prior to the filing of any application for site plan approval. A zoning permit certifies that the application is in compliance with all provisions of the Borough's zoning ordinances.

PLANNING BOARD

Chairwoman

Kim Vierheilig

Planning Board Clerk

Maria Berardi

MBerardi@franklinlakes.org

Ext. 1220

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The Planning Board is responsible for reviewing and approving subdivisions, site plans, capital improvements, and various applications. The Planning Board also proposes and reviews Borough zoning ordinances and is responsible for the preparation of the Master Plan that guides development within the Borough.

The Planning Board meets on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 PM.

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Chairman

Steve DiFlora

Zoning Board Clerk

Maria Berardi

MBerardi@franklinlakes.org

Ext. 1220

Fax: (201) 847-1361

The Zoning Board reviews appeals from decisions of the Zoning Officer, requests for interpretation of the zoning ordinance, dimensional variances, and use variances.

The Zoning Board meets on the first Thursday of each month at 8:00 PM.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Chairwoman

Carole Holden

EC@franklinlakes.org

The Environmental Commission is established for the protection, development or use of natural resources, including water resources, located within the territorial limits of the Borough. The mission of the Environmental Commission is to promote and enhance the environmental quality of the Borough through natural resource protection, conservation, development, and education.

The Environmental Commission meets on the third Monday of each month at 7:00 PM.

www.franklinlakes.org

SHADE TREE COMMISSION

Chairman

Michael Tulp

Tree Specialist

Kris Hasbrouck

KHasbrouck@franklinlakes.org

Ext. 1221

Hours: Tuesday & Thursday 8:30AM - 4:00 PM

The Shade Tree Commission oversees the preservation, maintenance, and enhancement of our shade trees, which include trees within the public right-of-way and trees in Borough parks.

The Shade Tree Commission meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM.

Mission Statement: It is the goal of the Shade Tree Commission to preserve, protect and enhance the existing shade trees, canopy and forestry resources, through enforcement of the Borough's shade tree ordinances, education for greater community awareness, through replanting, and maintenance tree projects.

Contact the Tree Specialist BEFORE removing trees. Borough ordinance requires that an application must be completed and permit issued prior to the removal of any tree that is 7 inches in diameter or more (including dead or dying trees).

TREE CITY USA

In 2015, Franklin Lakes will be celebrating its fifth year as a Tree City USA. The Tree City USA program is a national program that provides the framework for community forestry management for cities and towns across America. Participating communities have demonstrated a commitment to caring for and managing public trees.

TREE FARM

The Shade Tree Commission manages and maintains the Shade Tree Farm at the Franklin Lakes Nature Preserve. The project will be a renewable source of trees for planting on Borough owned property.

FRANKLIN LAKES NATURE PRESERVE



The Franklin Lakes Nature Preserve is a 120 acre park. With its beautiful scenic views, it features hiking paths, including a handicapped accessible trail, a picnic grove in a stand of pine trees, boating in the spring and summer, good fishing and birdwatching. The Nature Preserve is maintained by the NY-NJ Trail Conference. Maps are available in the

park kiosk and on the Borough website. The entrance to the parking area is on High Mountain Road in North Haledon, just south of the Franklin Lakes border.

PARK RULES AND REGULATIONS

- Open dawn to dusk
- Fishing with NJ State license
- Please do not leave trash behind (Carry In - Carry Out)
- No littering
- No swimming, no wading
- No ice skating or ice fishing
- No motorized vehicles
- No alcohol
- No fires
- Dogs must be kept on leash
- Pick up after your dog

BOATING RULES AND REGULATIONS

- Only boats, canoes, kayaks, or similar watercraft that are typically transported on top or inside vehicles and have been transported to the Nature Preserve on top or inside a vehicle may be used.
- Paddleboards, surfboards and all other craft designed to be operated while standing are prohibited.
- Boats transported by a trailer are prohibited.
- Motors of any sort are prohibited.
- Boats may only be launched from the designated boat launch, located adjacent to the parking area off of High Mountain Road.
- Swimming or entering the water from boats is prohibited.
- Boating shall only be permitted from April 1 through September 30.
- Boating shall only be permitted from dawn to dusk.
- Children under the age of 16 are not permitted on boats without adult supervision.
- Personal flotation devices must be worn by the operator of the boat and all passengers.

RECREATION AND PARKS COMMITTEE

Chairman

Thomas Pernetti

The Recreation and Parks advises the Recreation and Parks Director and Mayor and Council on matters relating to recreation and parks programs and facilities.

The Recreation and Parks Committee meets on the third Monday of each month at 7:30 PM.

RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT

1 Vichiconti Way, Franklin Lakes, NJ 07417

Phone: (201) 847-8200

Fax: (201) 847-0719

Recreation and Parks Director

Jason Robinson

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(201) 891-0048, Ext. 5002

Assistant Director

Kathy Furman

KFurman@franklinlakes.org

(201) 891-0048, Ext. 5000

Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday - 7:30 AM to 4:00 PM

Tuesday, Thursday - 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM

The Franklin Lakes Recreation and Parks Department offers seasonal sports programs and a wide variety of programs for all ages. Sports programs for children include baseball, softball, lacrosse, football, soccer, cheerleading and basketball. The Summer Recreation Camp is run by the Wyckoff YMCA, from the first week in July until mid-August.

At the Franklin Lakes Recreation Center, the Wyckoff Family YMCA will be providing fitness center memberships and offering a wide array of fitness and wellness classes for community residents. The Recreation Center is undergoing a major renovation, with program rooms being added to the second floor. Visit the Recreation webpage for up-to-date class offerings and information on programming at the Recreation Center.

Program schedule will follow the school calendar unless otherwise noted. For program updates and all information, please visit the Recreation webpage (www.franklinlakes.org).

RECREATION FACILITIES

BOROUGH FIELDS AND FACILITIES

- Pulis Avenue Field/Playground
Vichiconti Way, off Pulis Avenue
- Municipal Field/Playground
DeKorte Drive behind Borough Hall
- Firemen's Field (owned by Fire Department)
Franklin Avenue
- McBride Field
Franklin Lake Road and High Mountain Road
- Tommy John Field
DeKorte Drive behind the Library
- Tennis Courts/Playground
Old Mill Road
Tennis passes can be obtained by contacting the Recreation Department at (201) 847-8200.

OTHER AREA RECREATION FACILITIES

- Franklin Lakes Nature Preserve
Entrance on High Mountain Road in North Haledon
- Indian Trail Club - (201) 891-4480
Private club used for swimming, sailing, fishing, and tennis.
- Lorrimer Sanctuary - (201) 891-2185
The Audubon Society operates the Sanctuary and it is open to members and the general public for walking, nature study, photography and organized classes.
- Darlington Park - (201) 327-3500
Located just over the border in Mahwah, this County park features a large swimming pool and picnic areas.
- Darlington Golf Course - (201) 327-8770
County 18 hole public course.
- Campgaw Mountain - (201) 327-7800
Skiing, snowboarding and tubing.
- Saddle Ridge Riding Academy - (201) 847-9999
Offers horseback riding lessons.

FRANKLIN LAKES PUBLIC LIBRARY

470 DeKorte Drive
(201) 891-2224
www.franklinlakeslibrary.org

Library Director
Gerry McMahon
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We have what you want. The Library is much more than a place to check out books. We have programs and services for everyone in our community. Our staff is here to help you find the information you're looking for.

Did you know that all residents are eligible for a free Franklin Lakes Public Library card with access to our amazing online databases? Many of the most valuable resources the Library has to offer can be accessed for free without ever leaving your home. All you need is a library card. In addition, as a member of the Bergen County Cooperative Library System (BCCLS), you can utilize the collections of all 75 member libraries. Materials may be ordered online and will be delivered to this library. Access is just a click away, 24/7.

Come in, relax, and enjoy the many things the Library has to offer. Complete program information is available on our website.

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Meetings are held on the fourth Monday during January and February and the third Monday the rest of the year in the Library's Local History Room. Meetings begin at 7:00 PM unless otherwise posted.

FRIENDS OF THE FRANKLIN LAKES LIBRARY:

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LIBRARY HOURS

Mon - Thurs: 10:00 AM - 9:00 PM

Friday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Saturday: 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Sunday: 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Closed Sundays July to Labor Day

EDUCATION FACILITIES

FRANKLIN LAKES BOARD OF EDUCATION

Kindergarten to 8th Grade
490 Pulis Avenue
Franklin Lakes, NJ 07417
(201) 891-1856
Fax: (201) 891-9333
districtweb.franklinlakes.k12.nj.us

Schools:

- Colonial Road School
Kindergarten to 5th Grade
(201) 337-0336
- High Mountain Road School
Kindergarten to 5th Grade
(201) 891-4433
- Woodside Avenue School
Kindergarten to 5th Grade
(201) 891-5600
- Franklin Avenue Middle School
6th Grade to 8th Grade
(201) 891-0202

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High School
97 Yawpo Avenue
Oakland, NJ 07436
(201) 416-8100
www.rih.org

Regional High Schools:

- Ramapo High School
(201) 891-1500
- Indian Hills High School
(201) 337-0100

PAROCHIAL SCHOOL

Academy of the Most Blessed Sacrament
Kindergarten to 8th Grade
(201) 891-4250
www.ambs.org

RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS

- Barnert Memorial Temple
747 Route 208 South
(201) 848-1800
- Chabad Jewish Center of Northwest Bergen County
375 Pulis Avenue
(201) 848-0449
- Ebenezer Netherlands Reformed Church
875 Ewing Avenue
(201) 891-3826
- Franklin Lakes Baptist Church
649 Franklin Avenue
(201) 891-3253
- Franklin Lakes United Methodist Church
460 Pulis Avenue
(201) 891-0022
- Grace Community Church
886 Franklin Avenue
(201) 337-8088
- Most Blessed Sacrament Roman Catholic Church
782 Franklin Lake Road
(201) 891-4200
- Presbyterian Church at Franklin Lakes
730 Franklin Lake Road
(201) 891-0511
- St. Alban's Episcopal Church
1 Church Lane, Oakland, NJ
(201) 337-4909
- Temple Emanuel of North Jersey
558 High Mountain Road
(201) 560-0200

TRANSPORTATION

VETERANS PARKING PLAZA

The main bus stop in Franklin Lakes is located at Bender Court, with parking at Veterans Parking Plaza located on Franklin Avenue between Pulis Avenue and Bender Court. A parking permit is required for all vehicles parked in the lot Monday to Friday, from 6:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Overnight parking is prohibited.

The Borough Clerk's office issues parking permits. Please visit the Borough Clerk's webpage, www.franklinlakes.org, to obtain a permit application. Veterans Parking Plaza permits must be renewed on an annual basis. Permits expire each year as of December 31. If you have any questions, contact the Borough Clerk's office at (201) 891-0048, Ext. 1200.

TRAIN SERVICE

Nearby train service is available in Allendale, Fair Lawn, Hawthorne, Ho-Ho-Kus, Mahwah, Ramsey, Ridgewood and Waldwick. Contact New Jersey Transit at (800) 772-2222 or online at www.njtransit.com.

BUS SERVICE - *available Monday to Friday only*

- Coach USA (800) 631-8405
www.coachusa.com
- New Jersey Transit (800) 772-2222
www.njtransit.com

OVERNIGHT PARKING RULES

Parking is prohibited on all Borough roadways and in Borough parking lots between the hours of **2:00 AM and 6:00 AM**. In the event a circumstance arises where a resident must park a vehicle in the roadway overnight (*ex: driveway work being done, etc.*), exceptions will be made at the discretion of the patrol supervisor. Residents should contact the Police Department at (201) 891-3131 with the make, model, license plate number and location of the vehicle. If a resident neglects to notify the Police Department, a summons will be issued which carries a fine of \$50.

SENIOR SERVICES

SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

The Franklin Lakes Seniors, Inc.
PO Box 399, Franklin Lakes, NJ 07417

The Franklin Lakes Seniors, Inc., is an organization open to residents 62 years of age or older. They meet on the first and third Wednesdays of each month at 12:30 PM. Meetings are held at the Bender Court Firehouse/Senior Citizen Center. Residents wishing to join may do so by attending a meeting and filling out a brief form.

MEALS ON WHEELS

Pascack Valley Meals on Wheels is a non-profit organization of volunteers. They have been providing meals delivered for the needs of housebound residents since 1985. Residents who are unable to shop or no longer can cook for themselves may request this service for a small monthly fee. Meals are delivered mid-day Monday through Friday, except on Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day. Special dietary meals are developed by dietitians from Christian Health Care. If you are a Franklin Lakes resident who needs this service, contact Jeanne Martin at 201-358-0050 or director@pvmealsonwheels.org.

BERGEN COUNTY DIVISION OF SENIOR SERVICES

1 Bergen County Plaza, 2nd Floor, Hackensack, NJ 07601
(201) 336-7400
<http://www.co.bergen.nj.us/Index.aspx?NID=578>

SENIOR AND DISABLED TRANSPORTATION

Bergen County Community Transportation: (201) 368-5955

HONORARY SERVICE CARDS FOR MILITARY VETERANS

The Office of the Bergen County Clerk is issuing Honorary Service Cards to Bergen County Military Veterans. The cards can be used at participating businesses and organizations which provide discounts to Veterans. Applications are available at www.franklinlakes.org. For additional information call 201-336-7025.

SAVVERS DISCOUNT PROGRAM

The SAVVERS Discount Program is a FREE program created by the Bergen County Board of Chosen Freeholders and County Executive to provide discounts and services for Bergen County Seniors, Volunteers, Military Veterans, Active Military Personnel, Emergency Responders, and their families. There is no cost to become a member of SAVVERS. For additional information visit <http://www.co.bergen.nj.us/savverprogram/>

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

For additional information on all listed clubs and organizations, go to www.franklinlakes.org and click on About Franklin Lakes/Clubs and Organizations.

- Boy Scouts
www.troop34bsa.org
- Franklin Lakes Branch of the Valley Hospital Auxiliary
See Borough website for current contact information.
- Franklin Lakes Education Foundation
www.flef.net
- Franklin Lakes Newcomers & Neighbors Club
www.flnc.com
- Girl Scouts
www.gsnj.org
- Lions Club
Email: franklinlakeslions@gmail.com
- Lorrimer Sanctuary
www.njaudubon.org/centers/lorrimer
- Municipal Alliance
www.franklinlakes.org, under Boards and Committees
- V.F.W. Post 5702
vfwpost5702.org
- Woman's Club of Franklin Lakes
See Borough website for current contact information.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING

For information on affordable housing at Mill Pond in Franklin Lakes, call Sterling Properties Group at (201) 848-5287.

SNOW REMOVAL

AUTOMOBILE SAFETY - FROM TRAFFIC SAFETY OFFICER

The Franklin Lakes Police Department would like to remind all residents that New Jersey State Statute 39:4-77.1 prohibits drivers from operating a motor vehicle with accumulated snow and/or ice on any part of the vehicle. This includes all areas such as the roof, hood, trunk, windshield, and the tops of trailers. Police officers are authorized to issue a summons “when the officer feels the accumulation on the vehicle poses a danger to persons and/or property”.

SNOW REMOVAL/DUMPING - FROM TRAFFIC SAFETY OFFICER

When clearing driveways of snow in the winter months, please remember that roadways must remain clear in order to provide safe travel for motorists. Many Franklin Lakes residents utilize privately contracted snow plowing services that move snow into the roadway and/or onto another’s property. Snow deposited onto public roadways may refreeze and create a significant hazard to the traveling public and future snow removal operations. Often, large mounds are formed along the sides of streets or near intersections that obstruct visibility for drivers causing major safety hazards to motorists and pedestrians. Homeowners who utilize snow plowing firms should remind them that it is against Borough Code to move snow into (or across) any roadway, which will be enforced by police. Please be courteous to neighbors as they do not wish to have your snow piled on their property. This often results in property damage and/or flooding issues. Snow removed from your driveway or other areas on your property should remain on your property.

MANDATORY REMOVAL OF SNOW AROUND FIRE HYDRANTS

The Borough requires that owners or lessees that have hydrants on their property clear snow from around the hydrants within a five foot radius. If you have a contract for snow removal, please consider having your contractor clear the snow. If you have physical limitations and, because of these limitations, are unable to clear the snow, you should see if friends or neighbors can help. If you cannot get assistance from friends or neighbors, you can contact the Fire Department for help by email at firechief@franklinlakes.org or by phone at 201-891-5736. Fire hydrants in town have been identified with a hydrant stake. The hydrant stakes serve to mark the hydrant for first responders in the event of a true emergency and the hydrant is needed. If the hydrant in front of your home or business does not have a flag stake on top that extends above the hydrant, please contact the Fire Department at (201) 891-5736.

MAILBOXES - FROM THE POSTMASTER

The Postmaster reminds all residents that after a snowstorm, they must remove snow in front of their mailbox to allow the mailman clear access to drive up to the mailbox and pull away in a vehicle.

SERVICES

- **Electric Service** Rockland Electric Company
(877) 434-4100
www.oru.com

- **Garbage & Recycling** Gaeta Recycling Co., Inc.
(973) 278-6625, Ext.1
www.gaetarecycling.com

- **Gas Service** PSE&G
(800) 436-7734
www.pseg.com

- **Newspapers** Bergen Record
(201) 646-4236
www.northjersey.com

Surburban News
(201) 612-5415
www.northjersey.com/towns/franklin-lakes

Villadom Times
(201) 652-0744
www.villadom.com

Franklin Lakes - Wyckoff Patch (online)
wyckoff.patch.com

- **Post Office** Franklin Lakes Post Office
785 Franklin Avenue
(201) 847-0697
Monday - Friday 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM
Saturday 8:30 AM - 3:00 PM
www.usps.gov

- **Water Supply** United Water
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www.unitedwater.com

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DIRECTORY

Emergency	911
Police Department	(201) 891-3131
Fire Department	(201) 891-5736
Ambulance Corps	(201) 891-5151
Department of Public Works	(201) 891-4333
Recreation & Parks	(201) 847-8200
Public Library	(201) 891-2224
Borough Offices	(201) 891-0048
	<u>Extension</u>
Mayor	1203
Borough Administrator	1201
Admin. Assist. to Mayor & Borough Administrator	1204
Borough Clerk	1202
Deputy Borough Clerk	1200
Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer	1215
Tax Collector	1216
Accounts Payable	1214
Tax Assessor	1223
Tax Assessor Clerk	1222
Court Administrator	1205
Deputy Court Administrator	1208
Fire Prevention Official	1227
Construction Official	1213
Technical Assistant to Construction Official	1211
Zoning Officer	1213
Planning & Zoning Board Clerk	1220
Board of Health	1209
Sanitarian	1210

ALL BOROUGH HALL OFFICES

480 DeKorte Drive

Franklin Lakes, New Jersey 07417

Main Phone (201) 891-0048

Main Fax (201) 848-9453

Hours: 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM

Monday to Friday (excluding holidays)

Construction and Tax Collection Departments

Hours: 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM