



Byram Township 2012 Annual Report

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BYRAM TOWNSHIP OFFICES

Hours of Operation:

Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Construction Office:

Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Tax Office:

Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Township Office General Phone Number:

973-347-2500

Township Office General Fax Number:

973-347-0502

Township Website:

www.ByramTwp.org

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Emergencies: Dial 911

Non-emergencies: 973-347-4008

RECYCLING CENTER

Wednesdays, 7:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Saturdays, 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

973-347-2500 Ext. 125

TOWNSHIP MANAGER

Joseph Sabatini

973-347-2500 Ext. 129

TOWNSHIP CLERK / REGISTRAR

Doris Flynn

973-347-2500 Ext. 127

TAX ASSESSOR

Penny Hostenstein

973-347-2500 Ext. 139

FINANCE DIRECTOR/TAX COLLECTOR

Marie Kenia

973-347-2500 Ext. 134

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

Cheryl White

973-347-2500 Ext. 132

CHIEF OF POLICE

Raymond Rafferty

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CONSTRUCTION OFFICIAL

Dick O'Connor

973-347-2500 Ext. 123

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Cindy Church

973-347-2500 Ext. 125

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR

Janet Meisner

973-347-2500 Ext. 160

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Adolf Steyh

973-347-2500 Ext. 137

TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

James Oscovitch, Mayor

Marie Raffay, Deputy Mayor

Scott Olson

Nisha Kash

Carlos Luaces

A Message from the Township Manager

It is my pleasure to present the Byram Township Annual Report for 2012. In accordance with State Statute, the Manager is to provide a yearly report on the Township's activities for the benefit of the public and the Township Council.

Byram Township, "The Township of Lakes", is a community that is a wonderful place in which to live, work and visit.

Byram is served by full-time and part-time employees over eight departments, and numerous volunteers that serve our emergency services including the Byram Township Fire Department and Lakeland Emergency Squad.

The Township is also served by many volunteers serving on boards, commissions, and committees. These contributions from the volunteers of the community, combined with the efforts of our elected leaders and staff, add to the quality of life in Byram Township.

The year 2012 saw many accomplishments that include:

- The Township awarded a new three year contract, with two one year options, for the collection and disposal of solid waste, bulky waste and single streaming of recyclables resulting in less cost to the residents while maintaining service.
- Renewed shared services agreement with Mt. Olive Township for Animal Control services with no increase to base fees for calendar years 2013 and 2014.
- Renewed Inter-local Radio Communications agreement with Sparta Township for five years with no increases for calendar years 2013, 2014, 2015 and increases of 1.5% and 2% respectively for calendar years 2016 and 2017.
- Completed improvements to Roseville Road (Phase Three) with a 2012 NJDOT Local Aid Grant in the amount of \$200,000.

- Phase One of the new Brookwood Park project was completed with new fencing and landscaping at the park entrance. This project is funded through a NJDEP Recreational Trails Grant.
- The Recreation Department partnered with Stanhope and Netcong to deliver a successful summer camp program.
- The Recreation Department received a grant from the Megan Kanka Foundation to fingerprint all coaches and volunteers in 2012 without charge to comply with the Township's Criminal History Background Checks ordinance.

Please take the time to review the information contained within this annual report. Public meetings are listed in the enclosed calendar, and we encourage your participation throughout the year.

Byram's achievements are the result of a team effort that includes all of our residents, employees and volunteers.

Joseph W. Sabatini
Township Manager

HOW YOUR LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUNCTIONS

“The Council-Manager form is the system of local government that combines the strong political leadership of elected officials in the form of a governing body, with the strong managerial experience of an appointed local government manager. The Council-Manager form establishes a representative system where all the power is concentrated in the elected council and where the council hires a professionally trained manager to oversee the delivery of public services.”

– International City/County Management Association.

The distinctive feature of this form of government is the strict separation between legislative and administrative functions. The plan calls for the non-partisan, at-large election of four Township Council members and one Mayor. By law, the Mayor and the Township Council have the responsibility for all legislative matters, ranging from enactment of all ordinances and resolutions to general citizen representation. Seven separate advisory boards and committees assist policy formulation of the Council.

Administrative responsibilities of the Township are vested in the full time Township Manager. Charged with the day to day operation of the Township, the Manager directs all Township services and the enforcement of municipal ordinances. Appointed by and serving at the pleasure of the Council, the Manager is a professionally trained individual whose basic responsibility is the efficient and economic operation of your local government.

The Township Clerk is secretary to the Township Council and is the Election Official of the Township. The Clerk records and prepares the minutes of each Township Council Meeting. The Clerk also processes, records and files resolutions and ordinances, arranges for legal advertising of official documents and issues various licenses and permits. The Township Clerk’s election responsibilities include registering new residents to vote, accepting petitions for vacancies in local elected offices, furnishing materials for local elections, selecting polling areas and maintaining custody of election results.

How does a Council function?

The Mayor presides over Council meetings. The Township Council is similar to a corporate Board of Directors and is assisted by the Township Attorney who prepares ordinances and advises on legal issues; the Township Clerk who prepares resolutions and the Township Manager who functions much like the CEO of a corporation.

If I have an idea, how do I go about presenting it to the Council?

You are invited to speak at the “Public Comment” portion at the beginning and end of every meeting on any subject. Also, the public is invited to comment on ordinances at the public hearing prior to adoption. If you have new ideas for the Council to consider, you may want to speak with the Township Manager or department head ahead of time to obtain supporting data.

Is there a protocol for speaking at meetings?

Yes. The entire Council should be addressed through the chair (Mayor). Do not engage in dialogue with members without the chair’s permission. Proper decorum should be observed. Succinct, constructive comments and a respectful tone are greatly appreciated and create an appropriate decision-making environment.

How do I know in advance what items will be on the agenda?

The agenda is published and posted on the bulletin board in Town Hall five days prior to a meeting. The agenda is also published on the Township’s web page, www.byramtwp.org.

Can I review the minutes of the meeting?

All open session meetings are available for public inspection. You can read the minutes or review a complete recording of the meeting at the office of the Township Clerk. The minutes are also published on the Township’s web page, www.byramtwp.org.

FINANCE/TAX DEPARTMENT

The Township of Byram emphasizes careful financial management and long range fiscal planning. The duties include billing and collection of taxes, collections of all Township revenues, investments, debt management, financial analysis, and control of the Township's **\$10,458,631** 2012 budget. The department is also responsible for the financial activities of the sewer utility, with a budget of **\$ 350,000**. In addition, the assessor is responsible for the Township- wide assessment.

Taxes are payable quarterly on the first days of February, May, August, and November, after which dates they are delinquent and subject to interest. There is no discount for prepayment. The grace period is ten days on any payments received after this time, interest will be retroactive to the first of the month. Delinquent payments will be charged interest at the rate of 8% per annum up to \$1500.00 and 18% per annum on any amount in excess of \$1500.00. A penalty of up to 6% will be charged on any delinquency in excess of \$10,000.00 if not paid by the end of the fiscal year (December 31st), unless stated otherwise on the front of the bill. Any current year's taxes unpaid on December 31st will be subject to tax sale and lien.

The Finance / Tax Department hours are Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. There is a new lock box located in the front of the building for sewer and tax payments, any payments. Payments received after 2:30 p.m. will be posted on the next business day.

The Tax Department handles requests and information regarding the following tax relief programs:

- Senior Citizen/Disabled Persons Deduction
- Veterans Deduction
- Veterans Exemption

The State also offers the following programs:

- Property Tax Reimbursement (Freeze for Qualified Senior and Disabled Persons)
- Homestead Rebate

For more information about property tax relief programs, please refer to the Division of Taxation website:

www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/index.html

| 2012 Tax and Sewer Information | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| Number of Tax Parcels | 3998 |
| Total Assessed Value | \$932,256,721 |

| 2012 Tax Dollar Breakdown | | |
|----------------------------------|-------|--------|
| County Purpose Tax | .460 | 14.48% |
| County Library Tax | .034 | 1.07% |
| County Health Tax | .013 | .41% |
| County Open Space Tax | .003 | .09% |
| Local School Tax | 1.186 | 37.33% |
| Regional School Tax | .631 | 19.86% |
| Municipal Purpose Tax | .839 | 26.41% |
| Municipal Open Space Tax | .011 | .34% |

| Totals | |
|-----------------|--------|
| County Total | 16.05% |
| School Total | 57.19% |
| Municipal Total | 26.75% |

Department of Public Works

The Department of Public Works includes the following divisions: Roads, Sewers, Recycling, Buildings and Grounds, Park Maintenance, and Fleet Maintenance. This department employs 11 full-time employees including a superintendent. The total annual operating budget for the department is approximately \$1.3 million.

The DPW maintains approximately 80 miles of roadway, 6 sewer-pumping stations and about two miles of sewer mains. Collection of recyclables, leaves and brush at the Township Recycling Center is the responsibility of the DPW, as well as snow and ice control on Township roads, maintenance of storm drains and basins, traffic sign installation and repair, and coordination of the annual roadway resurfacing program.

Buildings and Grounds oversees and maintains eight Township buildings, including the Municipal Complex, the Old School House, and the C.O. Johnson Field house, and the Lee Hill Emergency Services Building.

Park Maintenance is responsible for the care of C.O. Johnson Park and its fields, Riverside Park, East Brookwood Park, Neil Gylling Park, Mohawk View Park, and all grass areas on the local school athletic fields. An average of 42 acres is cut twice a week depending on the weather. This division has one full-time employee.

Fleet Maintenance is provided by one mechanic and, when needed, a second DPW employee. The Fleet Maintenance Mechanic is responsible for about 10 police vehicles, 10 small to large DPW trucks, two road sweepers, a backhoe, two loaders, four trailers and a large assortment of power/mechanical tools.

Recreation Department

Byram Township is brimming with activities for all ages and interests. In 2012 the Byram Parks and Recreation Department offered a variety of special events, classes and training. The Recreation and Parks Committee meets on the third Wednesday of each month in the Municipal Building at 7:30 pm. The Committee, including the Recreation Director and numerous volunteers, oversees all recreation activities for Township residents, including adult and youth sports, parent and child classes, special events, preschool, youth, teen and adult programs. Activities are held in Township parks, area schools, C.O. Johnson Field house, local businesses and nearby recreation centers. The Committee collaborates with several community groups, such as the Youth Guidance Council, Byram Day Committee, Lenape Valley Municipal Alliance, Senior Citizens Club, and the Byram-Andover Chamber of Commerce.

The Parks and Recreation Department also oversees transportation of seniors and disabled residents to local stores, banks, and pharmacies.

Check the Township website for all the recreation programs. They are updated several times a year for each season. Registration and medical forms may be downloaded directly from the website for ease in registering. Checks, money orders or cash (cash for in-person registration only) are accepted.

For more information call the Parks and Recreation Department at 973-347-2500 X 160. For information on program and field closures call extension 444.

| Activities by age group | Number of programs | Enrollment |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|
| Pre-School | 21 | 104 |
| Youth | 79 | 538 |
| Teen (including Teen Nights) | 16 | 1068 |
| Adult | 31 | 216 |
| Other Youth and Adult Sports | 29 | 1270 |
| Family Programs and Trips | 8 | 47 |
| Special Town wide Events | 13 | 4647 |
| Senior Citizens Club | 1 | 65 |
| Totals: | 198 | 7955 |

POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Byram Township Police Department consists of fifteen sworn officers and two part-time records clerks. The Department has always been committed to delivering professional police services to its residents. The Police Department's achievements during 2012 include:

- The Department received a \$4,000 grant and participated in the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety's "Click It or Ticket Mobilization" program, along with many other police departments throughout the State and nation. Byram Police Officers issued 107 safety belt summonses during a two week period in May and June 2012 increasing safety belt usage on Township roads from 86% to 96%.
- The Department was awarded \$1,813.49 for the replacement of Body Armor by New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice.
- The Department completed its 22nd year instructing D.A.R.E. for the fifth grade classes at the Intermediate School. The D.A.R.E. graduation ceremony and picnic were held in June.

In 2012 Byram Township Police Officers averaged five days of in-service training and traveled more than 143,000 miles during their patrols. The Department will continue to serve the citizens of the Township to the best of its ability. Additional information regarding the Department may be found on the internet at www.byrampd.org. Information is also posted on the Department's Facebook page <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Byram-Township-Police-Department/196576757045673>

At the June 19, 2012 Byram Township Council meeting, members of the Byram Township Police Department received achievement awards :

Chief Raymond Rafferty - Chief's Achievement Medal, Educational Achievement Award, and 20 Year Good Conduct Award.

Lt. Peter Zabita - Chief's Achievement Medal, Educational Achievement Award, 15 Year Good Conduct Award, and Military Service Award.

Sgt. Gregory Gamski - Honorable Service Award, 25 Year Good Conduct Award, Educational Achievement Award, and Military Service Award.

Sgt. Kenneth Burke - 15 Year Good Conduct Award.

Sgt. Guy Mariani - Honorable Service Award, 10 Year Good Conduct Award, and Educational Achievement Award.

Det. John Hulse (Ret.) - 20 Year Good Conduct Award, and Honorable Discharge Medal.

Det. Joseph Duffy - Exceptional Service Award, 20 Year Good Conduct Award, and Educational Achievement Award.

Ptl. John D'onofrio - Two Life Saving Medals, and 15 Year Good Conduct Award.

Ptl. Todd Sodano - Two Life Saving Medals, Honorable Service Award, and 10 Year Good Conduct Award.

Ptl. Victor Marin - Life Saving Medal, Honorable Service Award, and 10 Year Good Conduct Award.

Ptl. Daniel DeWald - Life Saving Medal, Exceptional Service Award, Honorable Service Award, and 10 Year Good Conduct Award.

Ptl. Thomas Dellicker - Honorable Service Award, and 5 Year Good Conduct Award.

Ptl. Brian Moreland - Two Life Saving Medals, 5 Year Good Conduct Award, Educational Achievement Award, and Military Service Award

Ptl. Robert Tierney - Two Life Saving Medals, 5 Year Good Conduct Award, and Military Service Award

Ptl. Robert Schellhammer - Honorable Service Award.

Ptl. Marcus Lisa - Military Service Award.

Police Department (continued)

| | 2011 | 2012 | Difference |
|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Burglaries | 15 | 14 | -1 |
| Theft | 49 | 45 | -4 |
| Motor Vehicle Theft | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Aggravated Assault | 1 | 0 | -1 |
| Simple Assault | 26 | 15 | -11 |
| Arson | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Fraud | 26 | 32 | -6 |
| Criminal Mischief | 38 | 51 | 13 |
| Weapons | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Fireworks | 9 | 17 | 8 |
| Narcotic Offences | 20 | 19 | -1 |
| Alarms | 259 | 162 | -97 |
| Disorderly Conducts | 127 | 80 | -47 |
| Suspicious Vehicle / Persons | 343 | 266 | -77 |
| Motor Vehicle Accidents | 280 | 224 | -56 |
| Motor Vehicle Stops | 2985 | 3292 | 307 |
| Medical Assists | 349 | 301 | -48 |
| Miscellaneous (other calls) | 5391 | 2504 | -2887 |
| Total Incidents Handled | 9919 | 7323 | -2596 |

| | 2011 | 2012 | Difference |
|--------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Adults Arrested | 97 | 107 | 10 |
| Juveniles Arrested | 8 | 37 | 29 |

| | 2011 | 2012 | Difference |
|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Property Value Reported Stolen | \$109,565 | \$88,291 | -\$21,274 |
| Property Value Recovered | \$7,695 | \$2,039 | -\$5,656 |

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

The State of New Jersey mandates a wide range of environmental and personal health services. To meet these standards Byram Township contracts with the Sussex County Division of Health to provide many of these services. There is one full-time staff person who is available at the municipal building to assist residents with public health concerns, a part-time pound keeper, a part-time Animal Control Officer, a Registrar of Vital Statistics, and a Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics.

Environmental health activities include inspections of food establishments, lakes, beaches and campgrounds, monitoring of potable water supplies and septic systems. Three of the Township's major lakeside communities (Lake Mohawk, Cranberry Lake and Lake Lackawanna) are regulated under Septic Management.

Animal control activities include an annual free rabies clinic in April, dog licensing, and the operation of the local pound. The Township Health Department enjoys a unique relationship with BARKS (Byram Animal Rescue Kindness Squad), which assists the Township with animal rescue.

Solid waste activities include mandatory recycling, through monthly curbside pick-up or drop-off at the Township Recycling Center, and weekly garbage pick-up.

Personal health services are handled by the Sussex County Health Department, Division of Public Health Nursing. These services include adult screenings for blood pressure, blood chemistry, skin cancer, male and female cancers, well-child clinics, flu immunizations, health risk appraisals, educational programs, and health counseling. Information about these programs is available in the local media, at the municipal building and by calling the Public Health Nurse at 973-948-5239 x. 3126.

The Township Board of Health meets on the fourth Tuesday of alternating months and handles public health issues such as sponsoring health clinics offered by the Sussex County Division of Health (flu clinic, pneumonia, SMA blood work), hearing resident requests for waivers from septic and well regulations, managing the annual rabies clinic and other issues related to animals, water quality and septic management.

| Vital Statistics | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 |
|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Marriage License | 21 | 37 | 31 | 27 |
| Civil Unions | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Birth Records | 57 | 70 | 50 | 59 |
| Death Records | 37 | 34 | 40 | 33 |

| Animal Control | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 |
|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Rabies Vaccinations | 271 | 218 | 214 | 214 |
| Dog Licenses | 1303 | 1051 | 790 | 1301 |
| Shelter Admissions | 83 | 63 | 49 | 50 |
| Adopted Animals | 51 | 28 | 34 | 59 |
| Returned to Owner | 23 | 27 | 15 | 22 |

| Trash / Recycling | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 |
|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Annual Garbage* | 3651 | 3697 | 3209.19 | 3006.65 |
| Mixed Paper Recycling* | 422 | 419.63 | 386.95 | 227.13 |
| Co-mingled Recycling* | 316.6 | 406.39 | 363.96 | 151.23 |
| Metal Recycling* | 103.3 | 90.93 | 80 | 26.02 |
| Tire Recycling* | 2.39 | 11.43 | 9.54 | 7.91 |
| Single Stream* | 125.2 | 5.44 | 121.14 | 499.94 |
| Vegetative | | | 232 cu.yds | 91 cu.yds |

*** in tons**

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

The Department of Planning and Development provides for the administration of the Township's Land Use Board and the enforcement of zoning, construction, health, and environmental codes.

Construction Department

The Construction Department reviews construction plans, issues construction permits, and provides inspections to ensure work conforms to State of New Jersey Approved Building Codes. Staff consists of one part-time Construction Official, two part-time Sub-code Officials, and one part-time Technical Assistant. The Construction Department also serves Netcong Borough through a shared services agreement.

| | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 |
|---------------------------------------|------|------|------|
| New Construction – Residential | 11 | 4 | 3 |
| New Construction- Commercial | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Permits Issued | 567 | 491 | 566 |
| Certificates of Occupancy | 9 | 6 | 11 |
| Certificates of Approval | 398 | 319 | 365 |

Zoning Enforcement

The Township of Byram has adopted a zoning ordinance to protect the public health, safety and welfare of the community. The zoning ordinance is established to regulate the nature and extent of land devoted to various uses by creating specific districts, regulating land use within those districts and limiting and restricting the use of buildings and structures to permitted uses. The zoning ordinance also regulates the height, bulk, orientation and other particulars of buildings and structures, lot coverage, lot sizes and dimensions. Byram's part-time Zoning Officer, who is certified as a Zoning Official by Rutgers University, reviews construction applications for conformity to Township Zoning Codes. In addition, he conducts routine inspections throughout the Township for violations of Zoning Codes and Property Maintenance Codes. Warning notices are sent for violations; a summons is then issued if the violation is not corrected. For questions, call 973-347-2500 x 131.

Land Use Board

The Land Use Board is a joint planning and zoning board consisting of nine regular members including the mayor or appointee and a Council person. It also includes two alternate members from the community. The Land Use Board is appointed by the mayor and Council and hears all subdivision, site plan, and variance applications. It is also responsible for long-range planning through the Master Plan and Land Development Ordinance. The Land Use Board meets on the first and third Thursday of each month. The Board is served by two advisory boards, the Environmental Commission and the Architectural Review Committee. Staff consists of a Planning Director, a position held by the Township Manager, and a part time Board Secretary, who is certified by Rutgers.

Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (973) 347-2500 x. 132

| Land Use Board Statistics | | | |
|----------------------------------|------|------|------|
| | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 |
| Site Plan Applications: | | | |
| Approved | 13 | 11 | 13 |
| Denied | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Subdivision Applications: | | | |
| Approved | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Denied | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Variance Applications: | | | |
| Approved | 10 | 9 | 10 |
| Denied | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Environmental Commission and Architectural Review Committee 2012 work:

Environmental Commission:

- Update of the Township Trail Guide and of a large trails map for display.
- Review of development applications submitted to the Planning Board, including Barone's/CVS and the former Tony & Rosemary's.
- Review of Tilcon quarry licensing application for 2013 and recommendations to Township Council.
- Byram Day booth, including information on residential well testing.
- Arbor Day transplant of small evergreens to detention basin at C.O. Johnson Park.
- Induction of two new members and addition of new members to the EC's Trail Volunteers group.
- EC members' attendance at the May Smart Growth America workshops on fiscal and economic planning for Byram's Village Center.

Architectural Review Committee:

- Review of development applications submitted to the Planning Board, including Barone's/CVS and the former Tony & Rosemary's.
- Induction of one new member.
- ARC members' attendance at the May Smart Growth America workshops on fiscal and economic planning for Byram's Village Center.

MUNICIPAL COURT

The Byram Township Municipal Court has jurisdiction over all motor vehicle violations, local ordinance offenses, disorderly person offenses, fish and game law violations, and weights and measures offenses.

The Municipal Court is served by a part-time Municipal Judge, full-time Municipal Court Administrator, and a part-time Deputy Court Administrator. The Court sessions are attended by the Municipal Prosecutor and a Public Defender assigned as needed. The Judge and court personnel report court activities to the Administrative Office of the Courts and to the Township Manager.

The Municipal Court Judge has authority to issue temporary commitments or warrants to ensure court appearances, search warrants, and temporary restraining orders involving domestic violence cases. The Court Administrator oversees and supervises the day-to-day operations of the Municipal Court and is responsible for processing indictable offenses, scheduling court cases, processing warrants, entering of summonses, and collecting of fines.

| | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| State of New Jersey | \$101,462.33 | \$64,711.17 | \$71,591.04 |
| Fish and Game | \$320.00 | \$690.00 | \$376.00 |
| Forest and Parks | \$540.00 | \$200.00 | \$900.00 |
| Weights and Measures – State | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |

| | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Sussex County Treasurer | \$72,897.51 | \$55,063.51 | \$80,046.02 |
| Weights and Measures - County | \$7,600.00 | \$7,300.00 | \$6,550.00 |

| | | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Municipal Treasurer | \$150,503.41 | \$112,574.00 | \$141,290.64 |
| Municipal Treasurer - POAA | \$2.00 | \$18.00 | \$18.00 |

| | | | |
|------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Restitution- Victim/Citizen | \$30.00 | \$200.00 | \$1,488.00 |
|------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------|

| | | | |
|------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Cases Added | 2375 | 1963 | 2241 |
| Cases Disposed | 2394 | 2001 | 2376 |
| Jail Sentences Imposed | 16 | 12 | 19 |
| Driving License Suspensions | 54 | 37 | 43 |
| Court Sessions | 26 | 24 | 24 |

FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Byram Township Fire Department, established in 1948, provides fire suppression, heavy rescue, ice rescue and public education services to Township residents. Fire suppression is provided by 45 volunteer firefighters who are dedicated to serving the residents of the Township. The volunteer firefighters are on-call 24 hours a day and operate from three fire stations located throughout the Township.

- ❖ **Cranberry Lake building located on Route 206**
- ❖ **Lake Lackawanna building located on Lackawanna Drive**
- ❖ **Lee Hill emergency services building on Lee Hill Road**

The Fire Department administrative offices are in the Cranberry Lake Fire House, where the Fire Chief and the Assistant Fire Chief may be reached at 973-347-2662 or at www.byramfd.com.

The Fire Department Association owns and operates the Cranberry Lake and Lake Lackawanna buildings; the Lee Hill emergency services building owned by the Township. The associations are supported with funding from the Township for fire suppression, fire prevention, and public education efforts. The Township also provides the fire apparatus and related equipment. The association also relies upon various fundraisers to operate and maintain their buildings.

In 2012, the Byram Fire Department responded to 156 incidents, accounting for 2986.35 man-hours. Fire Department training drills, meetings, and miscellaneous details accounted for an additional 1551.55 man-hours.

LAKELAND EMERGENCY SQUAD

The Lakeland Emergency Squad is a group of residents proudly serving the communities of Andover Borough, Andover Township and Byram Township for the past 70 years. The organization consists of 55 members who serve in various positions. All members are certified in CPR and the use of the defibrillator. There are 39 Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs), who have more than 140 hours of training. Other members who serve on our Rescue Unit have taken the Heavy Rescue course. A few others respond as drivers. We have many positions for many levels of participation and are looking for people to help us continue our strong tradition of dedicated service.

Last year the Squad responded to 1,058 calls for assistance. These calls ranged from medical emergencies to standbys at Lenape Valley Arrows football games, Newton High School soccer games, and other various activities for local organizations. In total, the members of the Lakeland Emergency Squad gave 4078 hours of service and traveled almost 25,000 miles in 2012.

Each year, the Lakeland Emergency Squad gives back to the local communities. We run an annual Easter Egg Hunt on the Saturday before Easter at Wild West City each year. We also give two graduating eighth grade students the George B. Johnson Memorial award these students are from Andover Township and Byram Township who show outstanding community service and volunteerism.

We encourage anyone interested in joining to call Chief Deb Reidmiller, at (973) 903-6939 or President Anne Foster at (973) 534-3534. Training will be provided at no cost to accepted applicants.