



Tony Perry Expected to Serve as Mayor for Third Consecutive Year



When the Township reorganizes at its virtual meeting on Sunday, January 3rd, the governing body is expected to elect Tony Perry to serve as Mayor for the third consecutive year. This is the first time in over 45 years that a mayor has served three years in a row since Mayor Thomas J. Lynch (1972-1974). Rick Hibell is anticipated to be chosen as Deputy Mayor, which will be his first time serving in this role.

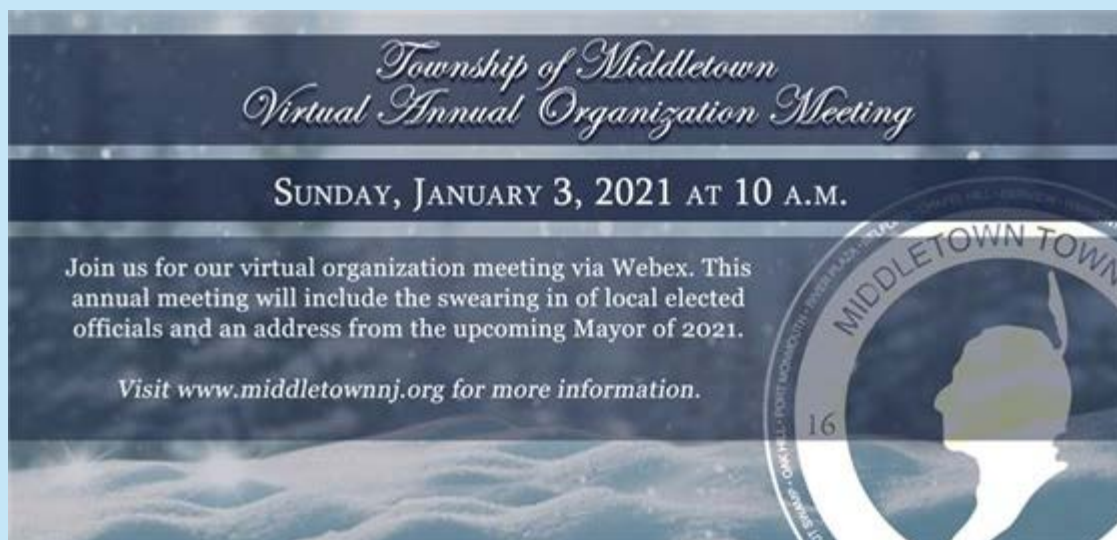
“It has been an incredible honor to serve as Mayor over the last two years and I look forward to continuing the important work that is ongoing in 2021,” said Mayor Tony Perry.

“Despite COVID-19, this Township Committee did not slow down on any of the initiatives and projects we started in 2019 and early 2020, and as we begin to emerge from this pandemic, it is imperative that we continue to provide our residents with innovative solutions which will keep

Middletown a great place to live and raise a family," continued Mayor Perry. He added, "I am extremely grateful to my colleagues on the Committee for their leadership and trust to once again serve as your Mayor."

Click [HERE](#) to read the full press release.

Middletown's Virtual Organization Day Meeting to Be Held Sunday, 1/3 at 10:00 AM



The Middletown Township Committee will hold its annual reorganization meeting virtually via Webex Event Center at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, January 3, 2021.

If you will be participating remotely, you can do so by [clicking this event link](#). To call in to the meeting, dial 1-408-418-9388. The event access code is 179 125 2192 followed by #. Enter reorg2021 if a passcode is required.

Any questions regarding this meeting can be directed to the Township Clerk's Office at 732-615-2015.

Click [HERE](#) for more information.

SOUTH ZONE: Friday's Garbage Postponed New Year's Day

Holiday Collection Schedule

Due to the New Year's Day holiday, SOUTH ZONE garbage collection for this Friday, 1/1/21, will be postponed.

The SOUTH ZONE will have DOUBLE COLLECTION of GARBAGE on Tuesday, 1/5/21. Residents may leave up to 3 closed garbage bags next to the cart. Please do not block the cart with the bags.

As a reminder, because of the postponed collection on Christmas day, the SOUTH ZONE will have a DOUBLE COLLECTION of BULK on your next bulk collection date, Friday, 1/8/21. Residents may leave up to 8 bulk items at the curb.

The Middletown Recycling Center (52 Kanas Lane) will be open for recycling on the Saturday and Sunday following New Year's Day. As a reminder, the satellite Middletown Train Station Recycling Center is open 24/7.

Thank you for your patience.
Happy New Year from Middletown Public Works!



**Middletown Township Sponsors Weekly
COVID-19 Testing Events for Community Beginning
Sunday, 1/3**



MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP
IS SPONSORING WEEKLY

COVID-19 TESTING
(BEGINNING 1/3)

SUNDAYS 9:00 AM-4:00 PM
MONDAYS & FRIDAYS 1:00-7:00 PM

No out of pocket cost

MIDDLETOWN TRAIN STATION PARKING LOT
MAIN PARKING LOT OFF OF MIDDLETOWN-LINCROFT ROAD

VISIT
WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/COVID19SCREENING
TO REGISTER AND LEARN MORE.

TESTING ADMINISTERED BY SYNERGY LABS IN
CONJUNCTION WITH CAPITAL HEALTH LABORATORIES
AND IMMEDIATE CARE OF RED BANK
WEATHER PERMITTING

[Click the picture to register and learn more.](#)

Due to the high demand for COVID-19 testing, the Township will be sponsoring weekly testing events for the community to help combat increasing COVID-19 cases.

This will continue to be a drive-thru event held at the Middletown Train Station (unmetered parking lot off Middletown-Lincroft Road) where testing will be administered by Synergy Medical Labs in conjunction with Capital Health Laboratory and Immediate Care of Red Bank.

Visit www.middletownnj.org/covid19screening for information and updates.

Christmas Tree Collection Dates



2021 Dog Licensing Information

A graphic for pet licensing featuring a black and tan German Shepherd puppy on the left. The background is white with faint paw prints. A dark blue banner at the top contains the text "2021 IN-PERSON PET LICENSING" and a circular icon of a dog's head. Below the banner, text reads: "Due to COVID-19, in-person dog licensing for 2021 is being done at the Health Department Building (180 Main Street, Port Monmouth) BY ONLINE APPOINTMENT ONLY". A list of guidelines follows: "Please adhere to the following guidelines when you arrive for your appointment:", "Be on time", "Wear a facemask on Township property", and "Call when you arrive to be allowed into the building". At the bottom, a dark blue banner says "CLICK [HERE](#) TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT!".

[CLICK THE PICTURE TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT.](#)

Due to COVID-19, in-person dog licensing for 2021 is being done at the Health Department (180 Main Street, Port Monmouth) by [ONLINE APPOINTMENT ONLY](#).

Please note: The online pet licensing portal is unavailable for the remainder of 2020. Online pet licensing will resume on January 1, 2021 at 1:00 PM.

CHECK OUT THE NEWLY ADDED INDOOR AND OUTDOOR CLASSES AT THE MAC!



CHECK OUT OUR LIST OF NEWLY ADDED AND AVAILABLE WINTER SESSION CLASSES!

Hurry and register today before classes fill up! Session takes place **INDOORS** and in-person at our wonderful new **ANNEX LOCATION** at the nearby, Middletown Reformed Church.

[CLICK THE PICTURE FOR THE NEWEST CLASSES AND TO REGISTER!](#)

The MAC is thrilled to announce its Winter Session of **IN-PERSON** classes in Theater, Dance, Art, Music and more! Classes will take place **INDOORS** at the wonderful new **ANNEX LOCATION** at the Middletown Reformed Church! (121 Kings Highway - right around the corner from the MAC!)

Instructors and staff will follow CDC guidelines and practice social distancing, small classes and take temperatures.

Click **[HERE](#)** to register!

Middletown Township Public Library Update

Beginning Monday, January 4th, patrons will be welcome to make an appointment

to walk into the MTPL to browse, borrow and boogie! See details below.

BROWSE*BORROW*BOOGIE

WEEK OF JAN. 4TH UPDATE

Middletown Township Public Library

55 New Monmouth Rd.
Middletown, NJ 07748
mtpl.org 732-671-3700



Appointments Recommended: walk-ins may be accommodated. Patrons are welcome to enter the library for 15 minutes to browse for materials or print (no other services) from our computers.

Capacity is limited to 10 patrons at a time.

We encourage you to use our Front Door Service.
Visit our website mtpl.org for additional information.
Please call 732-671-3700 opt. 2 to book your appointment or to speak to a librarian.

Patrons entering the building are subject to temperature checks and must be able to answer NO to all posted COVID questions.

[For continuous updates, check in at www.MTPL.org.](http://www.MTPL.org)

Middletown Recreation Presents Winter Seasonal Surprises for Seniors!

WINTER
Seasonal Surprises
AN ACTIVITY BAG FOR
MIDDLETOWN SENIORS
FULL OF
OLD FASHIONED FUN

WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/SIGNUP
OR CALL 732-615-2265 FOR
REGISTRATION ASSISTANCE

A yellow tote bag with a handle, featuring the logo for the Middletown Senior Center. The logo includes a stylized house, a person, and a book. Below the logo, the text reads 'MIDDLETOWN SENIOR CENTER' and 'DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION'. There are also smaller logos for 'MIDDLETOWN RECREATION' and 'MIDDLETOWN SENIOR CENTER'.

[Click the image for more information about the](#)

[Middletown Senior Center!](#)



[Click the image to learn more about Middletown Recreation.](#)

CHECK OUT
MIDDLETOWN
RECREATION'S
UPCOMING
EVENTS AND
ACTIVITIES FOR
THE WINTER
2021 SEASON!



[Click HERE for Middletown Recreation's Winter 2021 \(January, February & March\) Brochure!](#)

Listen to Holiday Stories On MTPL's YouTube Channel



[Check out the MTPL's YouTube channel for Holiday Storytime.](#)

Click [HERE](#) or turn on the Township's Municipal TV channel (FiOS Channel 26/Comcast Cable Channel 20) to watch the MTPL's Winter 2020 Storytime series. Catch it any day at 7:00 AM and 2:00 PM through tomorrow evening!

New Drop Box at Building & Inspection Department Located at Croydon Hall Annex

The Inspection Department now has a drop box for permits, applications and payments located at the **SIDE** entrance of the Croydon Hall Annex (900 Leonardville Road). The *drop box is available 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM Monday-Friday. All items placed in the box **MUST** be placed in a sealed envelope with an address.



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QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT?

VISIT WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/PROPERTYTAXES
FOR MORE INFORMATION.



[CLICK THE PICTURE FOR MORE INFORMATION.](#)

COVID-19 RESOURCES

BE SMART. 

BE SAFE. 

KEEP YOUR GUARD UP.

VISIT WWW.MIDDLETOWNNJ.ORG/COVID19 FOR LOCAL COVID-19 UPDATES.

QUESTIONS ABOUT THE COVID-19 VACCINE?

CLICK [HERE](#) FOR MORE INFORMATION.



**Need Support? Resources for Monmouth
County Families and Children**

If you're struggling with mental health issues, please don't hesitate to reach out for support. Visit [Monmouth ResourceNet](#) for a list of hotlines/help lines.

To locate free COVID-19 testing visit covid19.nj.gov/freetest (insurance accepted but not required; no out of pocket fees). Many of the free testing sites that are run by counties or non-profit organizations may offer limited testing dates and/or times. Additional testing options may be found at covid19.nj.gov/testing. Testing sites accept most insurance, but if the individual has no insurance, the site may require payment up front and/or charge fees for services involved with testing.

Municipal Offices Open to Public By Appointment Only

MIDDLETOWN MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS ARE OPEN TO PUBLIC BY APPOINTMENT ONLY



CLICK [HERE](#) FOR A LIST OF DEPARTMENT PHONE NUMBERS TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT.

To help ensure the safety of visitors and employees, municipal offices are now open to the public *by appointment only*. The only exception is for in-person tax payments at the [Tax Collector's Office](#).


Employees and visitors must wear a face mask and adhere to social distancing guidelines. If you would like to schedule an appointment, you can reach the various departments at the phone numbers listed [HERE](#).


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