

**TOWNSHIP OF CRANBURY**  
**COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**ORDINANCE NO. 04-17-08**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANBURY, IN MIDDLESEX COUNTY,  
NEW JERSEY, AMENDING TOWNSHIP CODE CHAPTER 5 POLICE DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, Chapter 5 of the Code of the Township of Cranbury (“Code”) sets forth the establishment of the Police Department and procedures for the promotion to rank above Patrol Officer; and

WHEREAS, changes have been made to procedures by the current Chief of Police during his tenure which have not been amended in the code; and

WHEREAS, the changes need to be codified;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranbury, Middlesex County, New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. The recitals contained in the foregoing preamble are incorporated herein as if fully restated.

Section 5-1 of the Code of the Township of Cranbury (“Code”), entitled “Establishment of Department,” is hereby amended and shall read as follows (additions are underlined; deletions are in [brackets]:

**§ 5-1 Establishment of Department.**

There is hereby established and continued in and for the Township a Department of Police, also known as the “Cranbury Police Department”, consisting of a Chief of Police, a Deputy Chief, up to two Captains, up to two Lieutenants, up to six Sergeants and up to 20 patrol officers as shall be determined from time to time by the Township Committee. All sworn officers, i.e., the Chief, Deputy Chief, Lieutenants, Captain, Sergeants and patrol officers (probationary and permanent), may be referred to as “members”.

**§ 5-4 Probationary appointment of new members and candidates for promotion; qualifications; residency; duties; compensation; promotion to Sergeant, Lieutenant or Captain**

- F. No person shall be appointed or promoted to a command or supervisory position above patrol officer unless he or she shall have demonstrated an aptitude for such position. Notices of promotional opportunities to Sergeant, Lieutenant and Captain shall be posted and promulgated by the Chief of Police in accordance with procedures set forth in the Police Rules and Regulations. Successful candidates for these positions will be recommended to the Township Committee. [Successful candidates for these positions shall be assigned by the Chief to perform the duties of the new position for a trial period of up to six months, as determined by the Chief. There shall be no title or compensation change during the trial period. Before or at the end of the trial period the Chief will determine whether or not to recommend the candidate to the Township Committee for promotion.] If the Township Committee promotes the candidate, the promotion shall be

subject to a twelve-month probationary status under which the officer shall be given the title and compensation of the office and during which the Chief may return the officer to the lesser rank without notice or hearing. [A promotion shall be made permanent by the Township Committee after successful completion of the probationary period.]

SECTION 2. Repealer. All ordinances and resolutions, or parts thereof, inconsistent with this Ordinance, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. Severability. If any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudged and the remainder of this Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

SECTION 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage and publication, as required by law.

The ordinance published herewith was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Cranbury, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, held on April 11, 2017. It will be further considered for final passage, after public herein thereon, at a meeting of the Township Committee to be held in the meeting room of Town Hall, 23-A North Main Street, in the Township of Cranbury on April 24, 2017 at 7:00 p.m., and during the week prior and up to and including the date of such meeting, copies of said ordinance will be made available at the Clerk's Office to the members of the general public who shall request the same.

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Kathleen R. Cunningham, RMC  
Township Clerk