

**TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD
CRANFORD, NEW JERSEY**

ORDINANCE NO. 2017-08

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD, CHAPTER 42 POLICE DEPARTMENT TO CREATE THE POSITION OF POLICE CHAPLAIN.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 42 of the Ordinances of the Township of Cranford shall be amended by the inclusion of a new Article VII which shall be entitled “Police Chaplains” which shall read in its entirety as follows:

Section 42-58. Creation of position; function.

The position of Police Chaplain for the Township of Cranford Police Department is hereby created in accordance with 40A:14-141. The position will be a volunteer position without rank or salary, shall be under the Director of Public Safety and the Police Committee, and subject to the control of the Chief of Police.

Section 42-59. Qualifications.

Any person appointed as Police Chaplain shall be an ordained clergyman in good standing in the religious body from which he/she is selected. The Police Chaplain shall have basic training and shall be a certified Police Chaplain credentialed in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Cranford Police Department.

Section 42-60. Appointment.

The Township Committee shall, by majority vote, appoint the Police Chaplain.

Section 42-61. Number of Chaplains Appointed.

There shall not be more than eight (8) Chaplains appointed.

Section 42-62. Duties of Police Chaplain.

The duties of Police Chaplain shall include, but not be limited to assisting the Township of Cranford Police Department in death notifications, employee counseling at the employee’s request, attend funerals/viewings, visit the sick at home or in hospitals, respond to scenes of tragedy such as homicides, suicides, fatal motor vehicle crashes, attend & officiate at Township events as appropriate, and any other duties that may be assigned by the Chief of Police.

Section 42-63. Term of Office.

A person appointed as Chaplain shall serve during a term of one-year and shall continue to serve until he/she is either replaced or re-appointed.

SECTION 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall become effective upon final passage and publication according to law.

Introduced: June 13, 2017
Adopted: July 18, 2017

APPROVED:

Thomas H. Hannen, Jr., Chairman
Township Committee

ATTEST:

Tara Rowley, RMC
Township Clerk

RECORDED VOTE

Thomas H. Hannen, Jr.
Patrick F. Giblin
Ann Dooley
Andis Kalnins
Mary O’Connor

INTRODUCED

Aye
Aye
Aye
Aye
Aye

ADOPTED

Aye
Aye
Aye
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Aye