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Sent: Friday, March 27, 2026 1:46 PM
To: D-Smith@cranfordnj.org
Cc: l-patterson@cranfordnj.org; D-Smith@cranfordnj.org
Subject: Re: Woodbridge Council Pictures and Rules
Attachments: Woodbridge 3.jpeg; Woodbridge 2.jpeg; Woodbridge 4.jpeg; Woodbridge 1.jpeg; drive_2020q4_32dp.png

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From: TAPinto Cranford <rtantillo@news.tapinto.net>
Sent: Friday, March 27, 2026 5:47 AM
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Subject: From Decorum to Development: Key Takeaways from Cranford's March 24 Township Meeting

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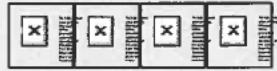
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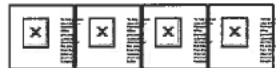
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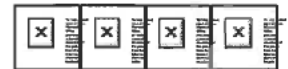
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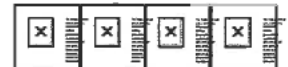
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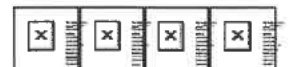
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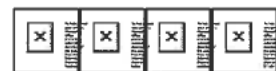




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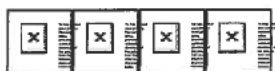
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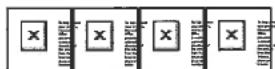
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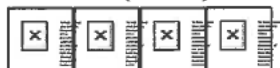
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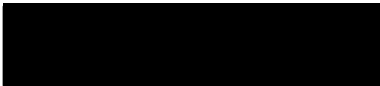
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Sent: Wednesday, March 25, 2026 5:59 PM
To: judygolfer@aol.com
Subject: Re: Meetings

Hi Judy

It is outrageous. Several people made this same suggestion and I will discuss with our town attorney
They didn't get warm welcome last night when town residents expressed their displeasure with antics.

Kathleen

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On Mar 25, 2026, at 4:33 PM, judygolfer@aol.com wrote:

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To: K-Prunty@cranfordnj.org
Subject: Mayors Remarks
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Also DMC report

Kathleen Miller Prunty

Mayor

Township of CranfordAlso DMC repot

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From: K-Prunty@cranfordnj.org
Sent: Monday, March 9, 2026 1:08 PM
To: jwilliams@flboe.com
Cc: l-patterson@cranfordnj.org; T-Curran@cranfordnj.org
Subject: Cranford Pool

Hello Mr. Williams,

Thanks so much for reaching out to Town Administrator Lavona Patterson with your concerns about the Cranford pool. The decision not to open Centennial Pool this season was a difficult one that has been discussed for at least five years. Commissioners were faced with finally making a decision after 15 years of declining membership and increasing costs to operate three pools (2 outdoor, 1 indoor). Centennial Pool will remain intact until we see how this season works. It might be easier if I respond to each of your comments in order of your email.

I was told that Centennial Pool is non-operative for the upcoming summer. This concerns me, and almost every other resident I have spoken with, because this would cause severe overcrowding at Orange Ave Pool, which was a problem last year, when Centennial was still open. Attendance information does not indicate severe overcrowding on any consistent basis. As a point of reference, Cranford Pool members numbered 11,717 in 2011 and 2,597 last year.

If this decision cannot be reversed, can actions be taken to mitigate the overcrowding concern? This includes, but is not limited to...

1. **Restricting access for non-residents.** We have returned to the practice of opening membership to Cranford residents first for a month before opening registration to out of towners.
2. **Capping guest access, especially on weekends.** We can certainly consider that suggestion.
3. **Eliminating camps-** as this posed extreme concerns in the child section of the main pool and they were often out of control and not supervised. The number of camps has been reduced significantly
4. **Expanding daytime hours for the main pool to 10 AM, instead of noon.** The pool opens at 10 on the weekend and we are looking at the cost and use history of opening at 10 am on weekdays.

I kindly ask that the council reconsider the decision to close Centennial this summer, as this was a major benefit for the town. If cost is the overriding issue, I believe residents would be fine with a small increase in fees, as the current cost is more than reasonable.

Please respond to this email or you can call me at 609-456-3130.

Thank you again for reaching out.

Kathleen Miller Prunty
Mayor
Township of Cranford, NJ 07016
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From: m-Nazzaro@cranfordnj.org
Sent: Tuesday, February 17, 2026 6:42 PM
To: K-Prunty@cranfordnj.org
Cc: e-perrotta@cranfordnj.org; thomas@cooperllc.com
Subject: RE: Decorum at Township meeting

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Captain,

The Township adopted Bylaws regarding decorum at the last meeting and copies of the rules will be at the podium for tonight's meeting. Anyone who violates the rules will get three warnings and told if the behavior continues they will be escorted from the meeting. If this is the

case, the Township Committee will recess but remain seated on the dais until I gavel the meeting back in to session.

Speakers must remain at the podium when addressing the Township Committee and sound systems, speakers, megaphones, any amplified sound are prohibited. If someone is observed setting up such equipment they will be told it is prohibited and if they ignore the warning, I will ask officers to escort the speaker from the room.

The attached summary will be at the podium.

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From: m-Nazzaro@cranfordnj.org
Sent: Tuesday, February 17, 2026 4:57 PM
To: K-Prunty@cranfordnj.org
Cc: e-perrotta@cranfordnj.org; thomas@cooperllc.com
Subject: Re: Decorum at Township meeting

Good afternoon-

Thank you for the heads up. I would just ask that before having anyone escorted, the Chairperson (or their designee) must tell them to remove themselves from the meeting voluntarily first. When they won't, that's when we can get called as the Sergeant at Arms.

I gave this to my supervisors last week at a staff meeting so they are all read-in:

The path forward should be as follows:

- *The Sergeant at Arms is a member of the Cranford Police Department assigned to the Township Committee meeting. At the start of each meeting, this officer shall identify themselves to the Chairperson (Mayor).*
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Sent: Tuesday, February 17, 2026 3:11 PM
To: K-Prunty@cranfordnj.org; P-Kozlowski@cranfordnj.org
Subject: RE: Bylaws - Decorum

Thanks Kathleen, Patty just printed – best, Patty x7210

From: Prunty, Kathleen <K-Prunty@cranfordnj.org>
Sent: Tuesday, February 17, 2026 2:49 PM
To: Patty Kozlowski <P-Kozlowski@cranfordnj.org>
Cc: Donahue, Patricia <P-Donahue@cranfordnj.org>
Subject: FW: Bylaws - Decorum

Please print several copies of attached and leave t the speakers podium in Council Chambers and one for each commissioner, Lavona and Patty in 108. Thanks.

Donahue, Patricia

From: P-Donahue@cranfordnj.org
Sent: Friday, January 30, 2026 7:18 PM
To: T-Curran@cranfordnj.org; K-Prunty@cranfordnj.org; G-Black@cranfordnj.org; B-Andrews@cranfordnj.org; P-Gallo@cranfordnj.org
Cc: tom@cooperllc.com; l-patterson@cranfordnj.org; A-Kurbanoglu@cranfordnj.org
Subject: Minutes from the December 16th Official Meeting
Attachments: M-12-16-25 OM Final.docx

Hello Commissioners,

Please find attached the December 16th Official Meeting Minutes.

These Minutes have been copied to the Dropbox.

Wishing you a good weekend and see you at 6:45 on Monday for the Board of Health Meeting.

Thank you,
Best,
Patty
X7210