Borough of Dunellen Boards, Commissions and Authorities Descriptions

**Dunellen Arts and Culture Commission (DACC)**
- Mayoral Appointment
- 9 Members
- 5-year term
- Meets once a month on the second Tuesday at 7:00 pm in Recreation Office unless otherwise publicly noticed.
- All commissioners shall reside or own a business or property within the Borough at the time of appointment and throughout their terms of office.
- The purpose of DACC is to provide and encourage programs which afford the public greater opportunities to experience arts and culture in Dunellen.

**Dunellen Downtown Management Organization (DDMO)**
- Mayoral Appointment
- 11 Members
- 1-year term
- Members shall include: Borough Administrator (1) Members of Borough Council (2) 
  - Member of Dunellen Planning Board (1) Member of Dunellen Historical Society (1)
  - Members of Business community who are either business or property owners, or both, in the downtown district/Transit Village district (3) Members of the general public/residents of Dunellen (3)
- Meets once a month on the third Tuesday at 6:30 pm at the Dunellen Art Annex (131 N. Washington Avenue) unless otherwise publicly noticed.
- The purpose of the DDMO is to improve the economy, appearance and image of our central business district through the organization of local citizens and resources.

**Dunellen Library Board of Trustees**
- Mayor Appointment
- 9 members
- 5-year term
• Meets once a month on the third Thursday at 7:00 p.m. at the Library.

• The mission of the Dunellen Public Library is to provide and promote open access to reading, cultural, intellectual, and informational resources that will enrich and enlighten all segments of our community. The Library’s Board and Staff believe that:
  • Reading and study are important responsibilities of citizenship, essential to individual growth and enrichment, and are among the most enjoyable forms of recreation.
  • Free and reliable access to information and cultural resources is a right of citizenship in a democracy and fundamental to the preservation of democracy.

Dunellen Municipal Alliance
• Mayoral Appointment
• 9 Members and 2 Alternates
• 4-year term - members; 2-year term - alternates
• Meets once a month on the fourth Monday in Council Chambers at Borough Hall unless otherwise publicly noticed.
• The Purpose of the Municipal Alliance is to:
  • Organize and Coordinate efforts involving school, Recreation, law enforcement, business groups and other Community organizations for purpose of reducing alcoholism, drug abuse and Crime
  • Develop Comprehensive alcoholism and drug abuse education, outreach and support efforts for parents in the community.
  • Develop a comprehensive alcoholism and drug abuse community awareness program.
  • Develop a community watch program.

Dunellen Parking Authority
• Mayoral Appointment
• 9 Members and 2 Alternates
• 4-year term - members; 2-year term - alternates
• Meets once a month in the first-floor conference room at 7:00 pm on Wednesdays at the Parking Authority building, 345 Front Street.
• The Parking Authority was established to better control and regulate the public parking lots of the Borough of Dunellen.
Dunellen Planning Board

- Mayoral Appointment
- 9 Members and 2 Alternates
- 4-year term - members; 2-year term - alternates
- Meets once a month on the fourth Monday in Council Chambers at Borough Hall unless otherwise publicly noticed.
- The Planning Board is responsible for preparing the Master Plan in compliance with provisions of the New Jersey Municipal Land Use Law (MLUL), hears zoning applications, and is responsible for reviewing zoning ordinances referred to them by the Mayor and Council.

Dunellen Parks and Recreation Commission

- Mayor Appointment
- 9 members and 2 Alternates
- 5-year term
- Meets once a month on the second Monday at 7:30 pm in the Recreation Office at Borough Hall.
- The Commission’s purpose is to oversee the Borough’s parks and recreational facilities as well as develop and administer recreational programs with a broad appeal to all members of the community.

Shade Tree Commission

- Mayor Appointment
- 5 members
- 3-year term
- Meets once a month on the second Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. at the Dunellen Senior Center, Columbia Park.
- The Dunellen Shade Tree Commission is entrusted with the regulation, planting, care, and control of shade tree and ornamental trees and shrubbery upon and in the streets, highways, public places, parks, parkways, and vacant lots of the Borough of Dunellen.
Mayor’s Traffic & Pedestrian Task Force

- Annual ad hoc task force appointed by the Mayor.
- The task force will consist of no more than 11 members which will include members from the business community, Board of Education, Police Department, Dunellen governing body, and residents.
- Meets bi-monthly on the third Monday at 6:00 pm in the Recreation Office. The Mayor’s Traffic & Pedestrian Task Force’s main focus will be to educate the public on traffic and pedestrian safety through municipal and county resources such as Keep Middlesex Moving and Middlesex County’s Slow Down in our Town initiative. The task force will also work with NJTPA Complete Streets Study that was recently obtained through an application completed by Mayor Jason Cilento, Council Member Stacy Narvesen and Dunellen Planning Board Member Julie Grof. In addition, the task force will study and advise the Mayor and Council whether the Complete Streets program is a feasible program to enhance pedestrian safety in Dunellen under to NJDOT’s Complete Street model.

Diversity and Inclusion Committee

- The duties of the Diversity & Inclusion Committee will be to serve in an advisory capacity to the Mayor and Borough Council and to promote a positive environment, social and cultural harmony among Borough residents by recommending programs and projects that promote Dunellen’s diverse culture, and to make recommendations to the Mayor and Council to encourage goodwill, cooperation, and unity among the multicultural residents of the Borough.
- Membership shall be composed of seven (7) members appointed by the Mayor of Dunellen with the advice and consent of the Borough Council who will serve, without compensation, on an annual term and who shall be residents or business owners of the Borough of Dunellen. To the greatest extent possible, the committee shall be made up of members who are representative of the various ethnicities, ages, religions, nationalities, races, genders, sexual orientations, and abilities present in the Borough.

Mayor’s Cannabis Task Force

- Task force will consist of no more than 11 members of the business community, Board of Education, Planning Board, Police Department, Dunellen governing body, Dunellen civic organization leaders and residents.
• Mayor’s Cannabis Task Force’s duties will be to review New Jersey State laws and regulations on cannabis and the status of legalization, and evaluate the impact it may have on the Borough of Dunellen.
• Task Force will report to the Mayor and Council in 2022 its findings and recommendations.