

First, I would like to welcome two new businesses that had Ribbon Cuttings over the past two weeks. They were Office Depot and Roebing Bank. I would like to thank Senator Diane Allen and Assemblymen Herb Conaway and Jack Connors for attending these ceremonies and for their support of business in Delran.

Second, as a result of the new businesses opening near the intersection of Bridgeboro and Hartford Roads with more to come, I have requested that the County Engineer study the increased traffic flow and see if there are modifications that should be made to safely handle the increased traffic. The engineer responded with some recommendations.

I believe that the county engineer is considering replacing the existing yield sign with a stop sign at the intersection located on Bridgeboro Road, where Sterling Bank is located. Also, the owner of Ott's has agreed to remove the entrance on Hartford Road by that intersection, and Ott's has agreed to widen the other entrance which is further away from the intersection.

Third, I am continuing to reach out to businesses in our town, to get contributions to support scholarships for our Delran students and to assist in funding of Township events.

Also, February 7th is the first meeting where we will be addressing the 2007 Budget. I believe that this meeting is open to the public and I encourage every interested resident to attend.

Finally, I want to wish Bernadette McPhee the best of luck and health regarding her retirement. She will be greatly missed and it will be very difficult finding a suitable replacement, since she is one of a kind.

Thank you.