

Good evening

I have a couple of items I would like to mention this evening.

First, I would like to congratulate the Delran Pee Wee Cheerleaders and coaches on winning the Pop Warner Eastern Regional Championship and I would like to wish them success in their upcoming competition in Disney World.

I want to mention that we have received several complaints regarding the lack of busing and side walks on Bridgeboro Rd. between Creek and Hartford roads. Not only is this a safety hazard for our children walking to and from school. This is especially troubling in the mornings, when it is dark, or during the winter, when it snows. Since we have not been able to get the school to re-address the busing issue, we have requested that Mr. Sharpe, the school superintendent and Mr. Hatcher to draft a letter to Mr. Jim Wujick, President of the county freeholders, in an attempt to get them to pave sidewalks since this is a county road. We will keep you informed of the progress.

We have been asked to step up police presence on the following roads: Conrow, Haines Mill, Tenby Chase and Bridgeboro Roads. We have also placed a couple of speed limit markers along some of these roads to remind drivers to slow down in these residential areas. This is in response to complaints concerning the safety of young children and how dangerous it is for residents pulling out of their driveways.

Much to my dismay, I must report that at the last planning board meeting, the six-unit single family development was passed. This issue affects many of the residents on Pancoast Blvd. and the surrounding community.

While I cannot predict the next step for TAR Construction, I fear that it is to bring this proposal to the Council for a waiver from a 5-year moratorium regarding the opening of a newly paved street. My hope is that my fellow councilmen stick to the ordinance and leave no option for this project but to either wait until this five year period expires prior to developing the area or drop their plan.

I have been assisting the president of the Summer Hill Home Owners Association and their property management company regarding the basin that exists in the new section of Summer Hill. It was supposed to be a Detention Basin by the Master Plan and documents provided to the county. Yet this basin is functioning as a Retention Basin. We're attempting to get the developer to install some type of fountain to keep the water circulating and not becoming stagnant.

For the past couple of months, I had requested that the Delran Sewer Authority, investigate complaints of foul odors at the intersection of Hartford and Bridgeboro Roads, this request included taking video of the lines at this intersection. We are still awaiting the results.

At the last work session, it was mentioned to the council that a developer is inquiring about the possibility of building an office complex on Hartford Road next to Pizza Amore. It was stated that this developer could assist the township with the purchase a much needed traffic light at Conrow and Hartford Roads. While I'm all for a traffic light at this intersection, I think we really need to look at the impact regarding increased traffic volume in this area prior to even considering this project. I also would request again, that if any council member is approached by any developer that they should be directed to the entire council.

Last, I want to thank my fellow council members who supported this Nepotism Ordinance. I think it shows that we, as a municipal government, want the best functioning body that we can have representing the residents of Delran.

Thank you