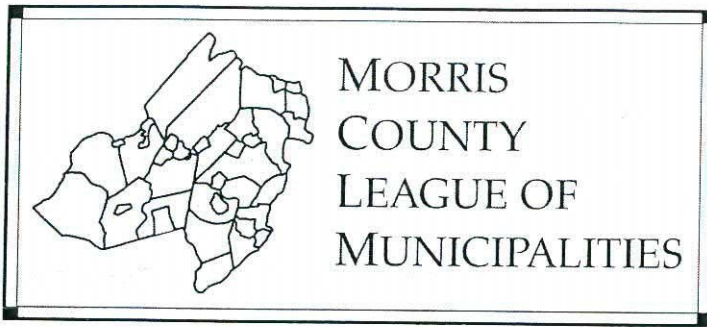


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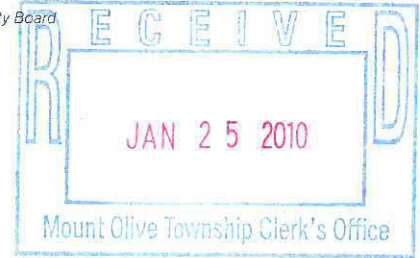
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January 19, 2010

Dear Member:



I hope you are planning to attend the February 17<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Morris County League of Municipalities at the Birchwood Manor. We will follow our tradition of Bill Dressel, the Executive Director of the State League of Municipalities, give an overview of the changes in Trenton and how they will affect us in Morris County. This is an important meeting to attend to help prepare for the coming year. We all know it is going to be a challenging year and I believe now, more than ever, it is even more important for us to band together to work through and manage the changes.

We will have a presentation by Jefferson Township Tax Assessor Shawn Hopkins regarding a creative and reasonable way to look at evaluating your tax base. With the economic downturn, many of our municipalities have seen an increase in tax appeals. This presentation will offer a different way to approach this potential budget affecting issue and will be a great opportunity for you, administrators, managers, and tax assessors to learn about this method. I appreciate Jefferson Township sharing this information with us.

I would like to remind you, as our President Bill Chegwidan noted in his letter, about the Morris County Prosecutor's office program on a new law enforcement initiative. This program will be introduced to all of us at the Public Safety Training Academy which is located at 500 West Hanover Avenue in Parsippany, both Monday January 25<sup>th</sup> and Thursday January 28<sup>th</sup> from 7-9:30pm. I hope to attend both nights and look forward to seeing you there. This meeting is intended for all local elected officials as well as staff. Please take advantage of this opportunity to learn how we can all work together to make Morris County even better and safer.

Thank you and Happy New Year. See you on February 17<sup>th</sup>.

Sincerely,

Arthur R. Ondish  
Mayor, Mount Arlington Borough  
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