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Sent: Tuesday, December 29, 2009 3:41 PM
To: Greenbaum, Rob; Labow, Coleen; Lashway, Lisa; John Mania; Perkins, Ray; Roman, Alex; Mayor David Scapicchio; Tobey, Phil
Cc: Frank Carlo; Bruce Gallagher
Subject: Budget Cuts

Good Day Folks,

Having lived in Mount Olive since 1971, I have seen a lot of changes in town. Mostly for the benefit of the town, and it's residents. I realize during difficult economic times, we all have re-evaluate where we can get best return on our money and investments.

I carefully chose the word INVESTMENT. For that is exactly what OUR volunteers at both the Budd Lake and Flanders First Aid Squads have done with us "Town-folk" for over 50 years each. I was involved in Boy Scout Troop #62 for over 20 years, the last seven years as Scoutmaster. The men and women were invaluable over those many years, not only in training myself, but hundreds of boys in the First Aid as well as other skills. Keep in mind, Troop #62 was not the only group to rely on the kind and selfless individuals of these Squads.

Since I work in the building materials business, as I have for over 25 years, I know what our local economy is like. My company has found many ways to lower costs, and overhead to remain in business.

Simply cutting the funding to the Budd Lake First Aid Squad and Flanders Fire Company & Rescue Squad to me sounds illogical and irrational. Almost like grasping at straws. Please, please reconsider this measure.

Thank you for your time and consideration on this very sensitive matter,

Mark Armstrong
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