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## PINELANDS MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OFFICERS TO BE SWORN IN

**Woodbine**—Mayor William Pikolycky is pleased to announce that the officers of the Pinelands Municipal Council will be sworn in on March 12, 2013, by Senator Jeff VanDrew. This reorganization meeting will be held at the Buena Vista Municipal Hall starting at 7 p.m.

Officers are: Chairman, William Pikolycky, Mayor, Borough of Woodbine; Vice-Chair, James Renwick, Designee, Shamong Township; Secretary: Karen Vaccaro, Designee, Manchester Township; Treasurer: Richard Franzen, Mayor, Tabernacle Township; Member at Large: Deborah Buzby-Cope, Mayor, Bass River Township.

The Pinelands Municipal Council was created by the Pinelands Protection Act (N.J.S.A. 13:18A-1 et seq.) and is made up of the mayors of the 53 municipalities in the Pinelands Area or their designees. The Council is empowered to review and comment upon changes proposed by the Pinelands Commission in the New Jersey Pinelands Comprehensive Management Plan. The Council also advises the Commission on matters of interest regarding the Pinelands and takes positions on issues affecting the region. The Council meets periodically to conduct business. The meetings are located in various municipalities throughout the year. A quorum of 15 members of the Council is necessary to take any action. All meetings of the Council are open to the public and interested citizens are encouraged to attend.

For further information about the Pinelands Municipal Council, go to their website at <a href="http://www.state.nj.us/pinelands/munico/">http://www.state.nj.us/pinelands/munico/</a>

Upcoming meetings of the Pinelands Municipal Council will be May 30, at The Pinelands Commission in Pemberton; July 30, at Shamong Township; September 30, at Bass River Township; November 26 at Waterford Township.

<sup>&</sup>quot;I look forward to continue to work with the 53 Pinelands Municipalities and to working with my fellow members of our Executive Board," added Mayor Pikolycky.