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Woodbine—Mayor William Pikolycky is pleased to announce that the Borough of Woodbine has made application to the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs 2007 Smart Future grant program for a grant in the amount of \$100,000.

This award would provide funds to enable the Borough to address its ongoing development and redevelopment objectives in ways that reflect Smart Growth principles: sound environmental stewardship and innovative land use management and design, pursuit of energy independence through alternative energy options, and transportation/connectivity opportunities. The principle objective of this grant application is to develop a Sustainability Plan for the Borough and document the implications that vision has for Woodbine's demography, economy, environment, geography, and general quality of life. Woodbine would thereby become a model of sustainability for other small and rural communities.

Woodbine recently closed out a \$35,000 Smart Growth grant which was used to position the Borough for its community/school project. Hopefully, this grant would help with the Airport Business Park and Redevelopment area.

“The Governor’s Office of Economic Growth will be hosting a meeting with the New Jersey Economic Development Authority, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Office of Smart Growth and State Planning on Woodbine’s development plan on May 31,” added Mayor Pikolycky, “Pinelands is among the other agencies who be participating in discussing Woodbine’s overall economic development strategy and opportunities for the airport and landfill properties..”