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### **WOODBINE HOLDS RURAL SUSTAINABILITY DRAFT REPORT REVIEW MEETING**

**Woodbine**—Mayor William Pikolycky is pleased to announce that the Borough of Woodbine will be holding a meeting on Monday, May 18, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at the Woodbine Municipal Building, 501 Washington Avenue, to review and discuss its draft Rural Sustainability Plan.

Through the New Jersey Office of Smart Growth, the Borough received a \$50,000 grant to prepare a Sustainability Element for our municipal master plan. This is a very timely endeavor since The Pinelands Commission is revisiting some of its planning goals; the cost of energy is fluctuating significantly; affordable housing issues are part of the COAH Agenda; and we are seeking ways to expand our economic base. All of these issues are tied to sustainability and the future of the Borough.

The purpose of this meeting is to: review the ideas included in the draft report; add thoughts, concepts, and ideas; discuss ways to encourage actions that promote sustainability and a better quality of life for Woodbine residents; and to help define the issues that are perceived as most important to ensuring the long-term future of the community.

"I invite all interested parties and organizations to attend this meeting and to add their input and ideas on these essential matters," added Mayor Pikolycky

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