

## **Hanover Adopts First Ever Economic Development Advisory Committee – A Promise Made, a Promise Kept....**

One of my promises to the Township when I was campaigning in the Spring was to form an Economic Development Advisor Committee. The committee, a marketing tool for Hanover, will be charged to encourage quality neighbors to consider locating in Hanover Township. In the current economic climate, many towns are suffering from lost rateables and disappearing industries. Hanover, more than ever, is an attractive alternative with its low taxes, superior highway network, and highly skilled workforce.

Thanks to the cooperation of my colleagues on the Township Committee this commitment was fulfilled. My first step will be to meet with existing businesses to hear their concerns and positions on doing business in Hanover Township.

I have compiled information and data from surrounding towns and incorporated it into this new enabling ordinance.

The committee will be comprised of one member from the township committee as well as representation from the business sector and township residents, all serving two year terms. The committee will have no powers beyond that of advising the township of potential new neighbors and what their contribution would be to our tax base and infrastructure – both negatively and positively. Additionally, the EDAC would create outreach programs to inform the business sector of their existence as a first step to opening the door to Hanover.

“I cannot think of a better time and a better need for an economic development committee here in Hanover than right now,”

Anyone interested in more information on the EDAC, or with qualifications they feel can contribute to the EDAC’s purpose; can contact or submit resumes to Joseph Giorgio, Hanover Township Administrator, 1000 Route 10, Whippany.

Committeeman John T. Sheridan