

**Committee Meeting – November 2, 2009**  
**MAYOR’S REPORT**

**NEW BUS SHELTERS:**

Finally, after 3 years in the planning, our two new bus shelters are being built on Route 9 in the Historic District. When the Township replaced the old NJ Transit shelters throughout the town, it was decided that the new modern shelters with lighted advertising panels did not belong in the historic area. The new cedar clapboard shelters were designed by Vince Sibona of the Sibona Group, a chamber member, at no cost to the Township. Also, the entire cost of construction was borne by the Walters Group as a result of a past agreement. The shelters should be completed in the next few weeks.

**FORSYTHE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE:**

The United States Congress approved a bill last week, appropriating 1.1 million dollars to purchase 28.17 acres of land on Lower Shore Road to be added to the Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge.

**FRESH PAINT ON TOWN HALL:**

Town Hall is getting a fresh coat of paint this week. The labor for this job is being provided by the Ocean County Corrections Department utilizing individuals sentenced to do community service. The township provided the materials and lunch for approximately 6-7 workers and security personnel.

**TOMORROW IS ELECTION DAY:**

Tuesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, is Election Day. As always, I urge all of our eligible voters to exercise their right and vote. Polls are open from 6 AM to 8 PM.

**Jeffrey M. Melchiondo**  
**Mayor, Barnegat Township**