

Grayzel Remarks
Township Committee Meeting
2/15/2012

Thank you to Mayor Mancuso for accepting my request for a public discussion on land-use law and the master plan process.

As I believe the Mayor will tell you in more detail, the Mayors of several surrounding communities presented a joint letter to the Morris County Freeholders last week relating to the traffic on Park Avenue and Columbia Road. I urge the Freeholders to take action and come up with a regional solution to the growing traffic on the Park Avenue and Columbia Road corridors. We need a coordinated effort, and the Count's participation in this effort is essential.

On our consent calendar tonight we approved the appointment of probationary Police Officer Ryan Farrell. Officer Farrell will be replacing retiring Patrolman Tom Nunn. Patrolman Nunn has been on our police force for an incredible 42 years, and he has served the Twp well. I wish him well in his retirement. Thank you Tom for your many years of service to our community.

For those of you who might be wondering if Tom Nunn set a record for longevity, we currently have two active employees with 45 years of service each, so the longevity record is still to be determined.

Congratulations to our OEM team for their successful rose sale. All of the OEM team members are volunteers, and given the two natural disasters we have had since August I can tell you that they have given a lot of their time for the betterment of our municipality. The OEM members deserve a double thank-you from all of us. Not only do they volunteer their time to the OEM team, they also spend their time

raising money, such as the rose sale, for new OEM equipment that directly benefits all the residents of Morris Township. So thank you very much to all the OEM members here tonight, and please extend my thank you to the other members as well.

Lastly, congratulations to the New Jersey Football Giants on winning the Super owl recently. I love the football team but really wish their name would acknowledge their New Jersey tenancy.