

January 17, 2020

Dear Fellow Morris County Resident,

My name is Bruce Meringolo and I have submitted my name for consideration for the open position on the Morris County Board of Chosen Freeholders. I would like to share with you my background and thoughts on why I believe I would be an excellent addition to the Freeholder Board.



Bruce Meringolo
Long Hill Township

I am a former elected official who just recently left office in Long Hill Township after serving 15 years on both the township committee and school board, including one year as Mayor.

During my 15 years on the Township Committee and school board, I played an instrumental role in the budgeting processes of both. I am a fiscal conservative and brought this philosophy to my role in local government. Working side-by-side with my fellow Township Committee members, we recently brought Long Hill into a debt-free position.

During my time on the Township Committee, I worked closely with county and state legislators, expanding my experience and knowledge beyond local government. For example, in coordination with county and state officials I was able to help mitigate the impact of our township's affordable housing agreement through reasonable negotiations. In addition, I served on the New Jersey League of Municipalities Legislative Committee, which reviews and comments on pending legislation to protect the interests of local government and their residents.

There are a number of issues here in Morris County that must be addressed in the near-term and I believe my background makes me well suited to help lead the discussion.



- **Affordable Housing**
- **Infrastructure**
- **Jobs/Economy/Affordability**
- **Second Amendment**

I have lived in Morris County for more than 20 years with my wife, Christina and our 2 teen age kids. I have long enjoyed volunteering for a number of government and parent organizations, including coaching both Little League baseball and softball and still serving as a Boy Scout assistant scoutmaster. I am a parishioner at St. Vincent de Paul's Roman Catholic Church in Stirling and a member of the Stirling Elks and Shongum Sportsmen's Association.

I operate a small commercial real estate brokerage firm here in Morris County and understand how difficult it can be to operate a business in New Jersey, one of the reasons that led me to serve in public office. I hold a Bachelor of Science degree in computer science from Syracuse University and a MBA from Rutgers University and both have served me well in my government efforts.

I look forward to providing more information to you in the coming days and weeks ahead. Should you have a question for me please visit my website at <http://www.electbruce.com>, send me an email at bruce4freeholder@gmail.com or, call me at 862-200-7757.

I kindly ask for your vote on Feb. 1st to serve as our new Freeholder. Together, we can keep Morris County a desirable place to live, work, raise our families!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive that reads "Bruce Meringolo".

Hon. Bruce Meringolo