

TOWNSHIP OF READINGTON

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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Dear Readington Resident:

On Tuesday, May 16, registered voters in Readington will have a unique opportunity to help shape the future quality of life throughout our region. We will do this together, by voting on whether or not to approve the financial resources that the Township would need to continue meaningful negotiations on the future of Solberg Airport.

In a narrow sense, the vote on May 16 concerns the ordinance authorizing the Township to bond for up to \$22 million. But the larger issues range from Readington's long-stated priorities regarding natural resources, open space and property values, to legal considerations about how airports grow. Moreover, the impact that different outcomes would have on local taxes is of course of interest to all of us.

On all of these issues, there is, and will continue to be, a diversity of opinion in the Township. On all of these issues, there is also confusion about technical details, legal constraints on the Township, and cost. Some degree of confusion is understandable: there are many issues to consider, and all of them are complex.

Given the complexity and importance of these issues, it is the responsibility of the Township Committee both to inform and to listen. In order to provide clear information and to promote an open dialogue with residents on the many issues involved, members of the Township Committee have scheduled five public information sessions at various locations within the Township.

The purpose of these informal sessions is to answer questions and foster discussion of the bond ordinance, the Township's goals regarding the future of the airport, and the potential impacts that different airport development scenarios could have on natural resources, open space, property values, and local taxes. A calendar of these sessions is enclosed.

The sessions are intended to supplement public access to information on these matters, and to provide additional opportunities for residents to share their views with members of the Township Committee in their local neighborhoods. The public information sessions are not formal meetings of the Township Committee, and no action will be taken at them.

All Township residents are welcome at these events. I encourage all residents to become as informed as they can before taking part in this important referendum. Voter registration information is available at the Municipal Building and on the Township's Web site, www.readingtontwp.org.

Sincerely,


Gerard Shamey

\$22 Million Bond Referendum

Schedule of Public Information Meetings for the Residents of Readington Township

May 2 Tuesday
7:30 pm Three Bridges Volunteer Fire Company
467 Main Street
Three Bridges

May 7 Sunday
2:30 pm Bouman Stickney Farmstead
114 Dreahook Road
Stanton

May 9 Tuesday
7:30 pm Polish American Citizens Club
Kline Blvd.
Whitehouse Station

May 10 Wednesday
7:30 pm Readington Township Fire Company
6 Hillcrest Road
Readington

May 13 Saturday
7:00 pm East Whitehouse Volunteer Fire Department
Old Highway 28
Whitehouse

May 16 Tuesday
7 am – 9 pm BOND REFERENDUM
Polls are open

**All residents of Readington Township are encouraged to attend and
freely express their views and concerns.**