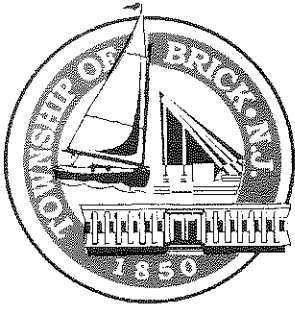


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To Whom It May Concern:

As you are aware, Brick Township, along with communities along the Jersey Shore, is facing a substantial rebuilding effort in the wake of Super Storm Sandy. Hundreds of families in our community lost their home and even more are going to be required to raise their homes to avoid massive flood insurance premiums. As Mayor of Brick Township, I have made it a priority to help these families in any way I and the Township can.

In January, I had the pleasure of meeting a gentleman named Rod Scott who is in the home elevation industry and is based in Louisiana. He provided me with a great deal of information on hazard mitigation and home elevation, how the process works and additional information regarding grants and other funding sources. The Township decided to host four seminars with Mr. Scott to provide this same information to citizens impacted by Sandy.

All four of the seminars were completely filled with concerned citizens looking for information. Mr. Scott did an exemplary job in educating these citizens about how homes are elevated. They were invaluable and many citizens told me how thankful they were that the Township hosted the events. We recorded one of the seminars for the Township's YouTube page where it currently has nearly 5,000 views.

Due to the new flood insurance regulations imposed by the Federal Government, countless New Jerseyans are going to have to raise their homes. There has never been a rebuilding effort of this scale in our State's history. Professionals like Mr. Scott are going to be invaluable resources for citizens, government agencies and more.

I respectfully request that you provide Mr. Scott with the resources he needs to continue his efforts to educate New Jersey's citizens on hazard mitigation and home elevation.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephen C. Acropolis".

Stephen C. Acropolis
Mayor, Brick Township, New Jersey