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Newest Hunterdon Freeholder Van Doren Pledges ‘People, Not Politics’

Shaun C. Van Doren, a long serving member of the Tewksbury Township Committee, was sworn-in to a three year term on the Hunterdon County Board of Chosen Freeholders during the Board’s 2018 Re-organization meeting, at the Historic Courthouse in Flemington, on January 2nd.

Van Doren, elected in November, will serve as Freeholder liaison to the Department of Engineering and Public Works and on the County Planning Board. He joins Matthew Holt, John King, Suzanne Lagay, and John Lanza on the five member Freeholder Board.

“I have learned from my 21 years on the Tewksbury Committee that the key to public service is people, not politics.

The public expects its elected officials to operate government in the most efficient manner possible. The people hold us to a high standard and it is a standard I have always strived to meet,” the newest Freeholder stated.

Van Doren has long been involved in land use issues locally and in the County, where he served on the Agricultural Development Board and Shade Tree Commission. He also served on the Tewksbury Planning and Land Use Boards for many years.

Freeholder Van Doren, an eighth generation resident of Oldwick in Tewksbury Township, is the Township Historian, a charter and 28 year member of the Tewksbury Historical Society, and was recognized as Municipal Leader of the Year by the Hunterdon Chamber of Commerce.

New Freeholder Board Director Matthew Holt welcomed Freeholder Van Doren to the Board, stating, “Shaun brings an experienced understanding of government and a dedication to public service that will benefit the Board and the taxpayers.”

A senior specialist in the safety and the environment department with Merck & Company, Van Doren, a certified safety professional, holds a Master of Science from Stevens Institute of Technology and a Bachelor of Science in Chemistry from what was Trenton State College and is now the College of New Jersey.