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Edward McGlinchey, a longtime resident and official of Winslow Township, appointed as Camden County's representative on the Pinelands Commission

NEW LISBON, N.J. – Edward McGlinchey, who has lived and worked in Winslow Township for 38 years, has been appointed as Camden County's representative on the New Jersey Pinelands Commission.

The Camden County Board of Chosen Freeholders appointed McGlinchey to the Commission during the board's meeting on July 22. He said he looks forward to serving on the Commission, which oversees land-use, development and natural resource protection in the million-acre Pinelands Area of southern New Jersey.

"I take this appointment very seriously," said McGlinchey, who will take the oath of office during the Commission's regular meeting on August 13. "I've always wanted to be on the Commission because I'm very interested in the Pines. I live, work and play in the Pinelands.

"I think there always has to be a balance," he added. "There has to be common sense to things, and I've always tried to do that."

John C. Stokes, the Commission's Executive Director, said McGlinchey has a vast knowledge of the Pinelands Protection Program, noting his many years of experience as Winslow's Zoning Officer and Manager of Public Works. "His experience will provide an important perspective to the Commission, and we look forward to working with him," Stokes said.

McGlinchey has served as Winslow Township's Public Works Manager since 1979 and as the township's Zoning Officer since 1982. As the Manager of Public Works, McGlinchey oversees a staff of approximately 40 employees who maintain the township's roads, bridges, vehicles, parks and playgrounds and are responsible for trash pickup and snow removal. He also serves as the township's coordinator for safety, recycling, stormwater management and clean communities. McGlinchey is also Winslow's liaison to the Pinelands Municipal Council. The Council is composed of the mayors of the 53 municipalities in the Pinelands Area or their designees, and it is empowered to review and comment on rule changes proposed by the Pinelands Commission. McGlinchey served as the Secretary of the Pinelands Municipal Council from 2004-2006, and he currently serves on the Pinelands Development Credit Bank Board of Directors, the Camden County Agriculture Development Board and the Diocese of Camden Real Estate Review Committee. McGlinchey graduated from Camden Catholic High School and served in the United

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States Navy Seabees from 1968-1972.

McGlinchey fills a position that was previously held by Norman F. Tomasello, a retired farmer who had served as Camden County's representative on the Commission since July 12, 1996. Tomasello had served as the Commission's Vice Chairman since 2006 and became the Acting Chairman in October 2008. He tendered his resignation on May 1, 2010.

The Pinelands Commission consists of 15 members: seven appointed by the Governor of New Jersey, one appointed by each of the seven Pinelands counties and one appointed by the U.S. Secretary of the Interior. Members of the Commission serve staggered, three-year terms and are uncompensated for their service.

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