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## MAYOR HORNIK ANNOUNCES SIX NEW PICKLEBALL COURTS TO BE CONSTRUCTED

MARLBORO TOWNSHIP, NEW JERSEY (April 26, 2023) – In an effort to keep up with the fastest growing sport in America, Mayor Jonathan Hornik announced that his capital program included six new, lighted, dedicated pickleball courts to be constructed at Marlboro Country Park, located off Gordons Corner Road at Masepe Trail.

Mayor Jonathan Hornik stated, "Everywhere I went, residents were talking about pickleball. The seniors love it because they can play indoors all winter, keeping active and social; so important for their physical and mental well-being. Younger residents enjoy it for the comradery and a good workout." He continued, "The biggest request was invariably 'can we have more courts?' For that reason my administration included the construction of six new, fully lit courts in the capital plan."

This April, in celebration of National Pickleball month, the Marlboro Recreation Center offered an indoor adult pickleball clinic for beginner and intermediate players. Residents aged 60 and over were offered pickleball indoor open play at beginner, intermediate and advanced levels from January through June.

"The pickleball classes offered by Marlboro recreation for adults of all ages, filled up with large waiting lists so quickly, there left no doubt that Marlboro needed more places to play. " Mayor Hornik stated. "I look forward to celebrating the courts grand opening and ribbon cutting this fall."

Councilman Mike Scalea stated, "As Council liaison to the Recreation and Swim Division, I am proud of all we have accomplished. Over the past few years, we have upgraded the facilities at the parks at Falson Lane, Wicker Place, and Marlin Estates, to name a few. This expansion at Marlboro Country Park gives our residents more of what they want and I eagerly anticipate the new courts being enjoyed this fall."

Engineering design is nearly complete and the Township anticipates advertising for bids to build the courts in June. When the project is completed, Marlboro will have 10 dedicated pickleball courts and 4 courts lined for both pickleball and tennis.