

VILLAGE OF NEW HYDE PARK

OFFICIAL REPORT - AUTUMN 2017







Dear Neighbors,

We realize that our Autumn Newsletter is a bit delayed, but then so too is the season. While we are enjoying the beautiful Indian summer, we know the falling leaves and colder temperatures are not too far ahead. It has been a busy summer, though.

Of course, we had a great Street Fair. I'd like to thank the team who was responsible for the planning and execution. Particular thanks go to Janet Bevers for her outstanding coordination of the entire event. Trustee Rich Pallisco was also a key to the fair's success. Tom Gannon and the DPW crew were on hand to execute the plan and do the amazing job of cleaning up Jericho Turnpike at the end of the day. I would also like to thank Northwell Health for partnering with us once again. It was great to see so many neighbors at New Hyde Park's annual block party.

We also had a great season in the parks. In addition to the concerts and shows, I was delighted to see so many residents using our parks. We revised the rules for use of the tennis and basketball courts to make sure the facilities are used in a way that is safe and harmonious. As a result, Nuzzi Park has seen a return of young children using the kiddie park accompanied by parents and grandparents. The Village Board is considering different options for repurposing the basketball court at Nuzzi Park for a use that is more conducive to the playground and sensitive to the neighboring homes.

This summer we have also stepped up enforcement of property maintenance with a full-time resource in the Building Department. I think there is a notable difference in residential areas and along Jericho Turnpike. This is an ongoing effort that we will continue to manage. The additional resource will also allow us to devote more attention to pursuing suspected illegal rentals. We recently passed a local law that prohibits short term rentals such as those advertised on sites like Airbnb. Residents are reminded that all long-term home rentals must be registered with the Village.

The external auditors also completed their audit of the year end financials. I am happy to report that we finished the year (ending May 31, 2017) with a slight surplus of 2.3%. This resulted from a reduction in budgeted spending. The surplus will add to our fund balance; our insurance against emergency expenses.

Our overall fiscal condition will be further helped by accessing some of the funds I negotiated from the State during talks about the third track. We will be using the first installment of the \$800,000 promised for roads for this year's program. These state funds will allow us to redirect approximately \$350,000 we had earmarked for the road program to finance other needed projects that will continue to make New Hyde Park a great place to live.

Of course it would not be a great place if not for the courageous service of our veterans. We are humbled to honor our veterans on Veterans Day and every day.

Lastly, I wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and a very pleasant Fall – if it ever comes. Sincerely,

Lany Montreuil

The 22nd Annual Village Street Fair Music, sunshine, and crowds fill the streets of New Hyde Park

On Saturday, September 16th, the Village hosted another successful and enjoyable Street Fair. Thousands of visitors came to enjoy and experience "the premier street fair on Long Island". There was an abundance of food and drink, a wide variety of street merchants, and a never ending line up on the sidewalk of Village merchants, members of the NHP Chamber of Commerce, and local charity/service groups. A special thank you to Northwell Health, our official sponsor again this year. Northwell Health provided a vast array of health information, life saving demonstrations, and giveaways, including free flu vaccinations, to all who came to their Health and Wellness Pavilion on Lakeville Road.

Planning this event is a joint effort between Janet Bevers, Village Clerk's Office, Tr. Richard Pallisco, and Greg Romano, DPW. Working very closely with our partners at Craft A Fair and members of the NHP Fire Department, the Nassau County Police, Chamber of Commerce, and Auxiliary Police Unit #212, every detail is finalized to ensure a well executed and a safe Street Fair. It was a great event and a great day for our community. Mayor Lawrence Montreuil describes this day as "the annual Village block party". The only unwelcome visitor that day was an unexpected heavy rain storm shortly after 4 pm which brought the Fair to a quick end. The storm didn't damper the spirit of the day and it didn't negatively impact this successful community event. A special thank you to each and every Village resident and Village merchant for their cooperation and graciousness throughout the day. Street Fair Day is a perfect opportunity to show the spirit of our great community. And once again, our community spirit shined brightly.



Deputy Mayor Donna Squicciarino, Tr. Richard Pallisco, Mayor Lawrence J. Montreuil, Tr. Richard Coppola, DPW & Building Supt. Tom Gannon, Tr. Donald Barbieri, and Street Fair Coordinator Janet Bevers.



Chief Joe Papa, NHP Fire Chief Annie Mulholly, and members of the NHP Fire Department.



Delicious roasted corn at the Gladiator Fund tent is always served with a smile. The dedicated team of volunteers work hard to raise money throughout the year to help local residents in need.



Maspeth Federal Savings Bank, a long time sponsor of the Summer Concerts in Memorial Park.

22nd Annual Village Street Fair - A great day for residents, merchants, and visitors.



S. Ozair Beauty Salon offered face painting, henna tattoos and eye brow threading.



Howard Schneiderman (red shirt) heads up the team at the new Sherwin-Williams Paints.



Life saving CPR training was offered throughout the day by Northwell Health in the Health and Wellness Pavilion.



UBREAKIFIX opened its doors on Jericho Turnpike in the summer.



Great deals on hair cuts, hair trims, and a shave.



Street Fair sponsor Northwell Health provided free flu vaccinations to over 100 visitors who came to their Health and Wellness Pavilion on Lakeville Road. Thank you Northwell Health!



Four talented singers and musicians brought music back to the Street Fair.

Veteran's Affairs

Veteran's Day is Saturday, November 11th. On this special day, we honor all Veterans who serve to protect our freedoms and our liberties. Please come to Village Hall on November 11th for a ceremony to honor all Veterans and especially our New Hyde Park Veterans.



This ceremony is hosted by members of the Veterans of Foreign War, the G & E Linder Post #8031, and the American Legion Ernie Pyle Post #1089. Assembly begins promptly at 10:45 am on the front lawn of Village Hall. *Never hesitate to thank a Veteran each and every day.*

Aircraft Traffic Safety, and Noise

Once repairs were completed on Runway 22 L and 22 R at JFK Airport, air traffic and noise resumed over New Hyde Park. The Town-Village Aircraft Safety & Noise Abatement Committee (TVASNAC), sponsored by the Town of Hempstead, has existed for over four decades. Its members work with officials at the FAA, Port Authority, and local, state and federal elected officials to implement procedures and guidelines to help mitigate aircraft traffic and noise over our communities. Village resident Kurt Langjahr, who has served as the Village representative on TVASNAC for over 24 years, urges more residents to get involved in this effort. TVASNAC meets monthly with representatives from the FAA, Port Authority, and the Regional Helicopter Association. The next meeting is November 27th at 7:00 pm at Nathan L.H. Bennett Pavilion at Hempstead Town Hall, 1 Washington Street. These meetings are a great way to learn about the issues and challenges involving air traffic, air safety and noise abatement AND a great way to express your thoughts and concerns. It is very important for residents to register aircraft noise complaints. Register aircraft noise complaints to the Port Authority (800-225-1071 or www.panynj.gov) or the Town of North Hempstead (311).

"If you don't call, you don't count".

Building Department Seeking Compliance to Property Maintenance and Building Code

Property ownership, whether it be residential or commercial, carries with it a responsibility to maintain the property, keeping the building and the grounds clean and well groomed. This includes removal of all trash, keeping the lawn trim and clear of weeds, clearing snow off the sidewalk, and legally parking vehicles in the street or driveway, and not on the front lawn. It is our hope that every resident will pride themselves in maintaining our beautiful properties.

The Village recently hired a full-time Building Code Enforcer to help ensure that properties are kept clean and maintained properly. The Building Code Officer is patrolling our streets to ensure compliance to the Building Code and has issued over one hundred Notice of Violations in the past year. We are pleased that only a small fraction of these violations have resulted in legal action and monetary fines by the Village Court. The Village Board seeks compliance, not punitive action, and not Court fines.

In addition to property maintenance, the Building Code Officer also checks that necessary permits and insurances are in place when work is done on any Village property. This includes building and plumbing permits; roof, fence, and dumpster permits; landscaper permits, etc. Using an unlicensed contractor, an unlicensed plumber, or even an unlicensed landscaper, puts you, your family, your neighbors, and the Village at risk. If illegal work is discovered, a Notice of Violation is issued to the homeowner with time permitted to legalize the activity and ensure a thorough inspection can be conducted by the Building Inspector.

Residents are urged to call the Building Department to inquire if a home project requires a permit to be filed or to inform us of a property that is not being maintained.

2017 Road Improvement Project

In September, the Village Board awarded the 2017 Road Improvement Project bid to Intercounty Paving with the lowest bid of \$319,030.

Three sections of roads have been selected for repair:

- 1. S. 9th Street between 6th and Stewart Avenues
- 2. 5th Avenue between Covert and Premier Blvd This will be a mix-in-place, curb to curb. After shaping and grading, a new asphalt top layer will be applied.
- 3. S. 6th Street between 1st and 2nd Avenue. This section will be milled and paved with new asphalt, curb to curb.

If favorable weather conditions continue, the project should be completed before the cold weather arrives. By now, you have seen the road crews out. Please be extra cautious around road construction sites. Call the DPW if you have any questions regarding the project.

Parks and Recreation

During the summer, issues regarding basketball court usage at Memorial Park and Nuzzi Field resulted in the temporary closure of the basketball courts. Since then, procedural guidelines have been updated and expanded. Residents, both adults and children, are now required to present a valid Resident ID Card (or driver's license) to the Park Attendant in order to use the basketball or tennis courts at either Park. You can obtain a Resident ID card for yourself or for your children, free of charge, at Village Hall. The application can be obtained at the Park Field House, Village Hall, or www.vnhp.org. Guidelines for court usage, including proper court behavior, are detailed on the application form. The completed application can be submitted to Village Hall. ID cards can generally be issued same day or next day.

Resident ID cards are only required for basketball and tennis court usage, not for general park use, including the playground.

Resident Parking Permits

Beginning Monday, December 4th, the 2018 "R" resident parking permits can be purchased in the Village Clerk's Office. Residents must present a current driver's license and vehicle registration to verify Village residency. If you rent a house or an apartment in the Village, a current lease agreement can be presented to verify Village residency.

On Wednesday, December 13th, the Village Clerk's Office will remain open through 8:00 pm to give residents an additional opportunity to purchase the R permit. The 2018 resident parking permit must be affixed to your car by Tuesday, January 2nd in order to comply with Village code. The annual fee for the 2018 R permit remains unchanged at \$100.

Department of Public Works / Snow Removal

Even though we continue to be enjoying a warm autumn, winter will inevitably be here soon. And, it's important to be prepared for the snow and ice that winter can potentially bring. Working together, we can help ensure that roads and sidewalks are cleared in a safe and efficient manner. Here's how you can help:

- Do not park on the street during snow events.
- Minimize your travel during snow events.
- Do not throw snow from your walkway or driveway onto the road.
- Remove snow from your vehicle while it is still parked in your driveway and certainly before you travel.
- Village Code requires that residents and business owners remove snow and ice from the sidewalk within 24 hours of the snow event.

If you have questions on snow removal, please call the Department of Public Works at (516) 354-0064.

Winter Parks Schedule

On Friday, December 15th, the field houses at Memorial Park and Nuzzi Field will close for the season. During the winter, the Parks are open, but there are no Park Attendants on duty and the public facilities are closed. We hope you continue to enjoy the Park during the winter months, but please plan accordingly.

SANITATION SCHEDULE CHANGES CALENDAR OF EVENTS Thanksgiving Day Sat. 11/18 Last day to shop the Farmers Market Thursday, November 23 Central Blvd. Parking Lot Garbage for north side POSTPONED 8:00 am - 2:00 pm Newspapers for south side POSTPONED and Tues. 11/21 Village Board Meeting rescheduled to Friday, November 24 8:00 pm Village Hall Friday, November 24 Wed. 11/22 Village Offices Close at Noon Garbage collection for entire Village Thurs. 11/23 Thanksgiving Day Newspapers for the south side Village Offices Closed **Christmas Day** No Sanitation Pick Up Monday, December 25 Fri. 11/24 Village Hall Closed Garbage for north side POSTPONED and **Regular Sanitation Pick Up** rescheduled to Tuesday, December 26 Tuesday, December 26 Sat. 12/2 Village Tree Lighting Ceremony Garbage collection for entire Village Marcus Christ Community Center Newspapers for the north side 3:00 - 4:30 pm Free Admission New Year's Day Mon. 12/4 2018 Resident Parking Permits Can Monday, January 1 Be Purchased at Village Hall Garbage for north side POSTPONED and Tues. 12/5 Village Board Meeting rescheduled to Tuesday, January 2 8:00 pm Village Hall Tuesday, January 2 Wed. 12/6 Architectural Review Board Garbage collection for entire Village 7:30 pm Village Hall Newspapers for the north side Fri. 12/8 NHP Children's Theatre Presents Martin Luther King Jr. Day "Jingle Jury", A Holiday Show Monday, January 15 Garbage for north side POSTPONED and 7:00 pm William Gill Theatre rescheduled to Tuesday, January 16 Sat. 12/9 Jingle Jury / 2:00 pm Tuesday, January 16 Sun. 12/10 Jingle Jury / 12:30 pm Garbage collection for entire Village Wed. 12/13 Extended Hours to Purchase Resident Newspapers for the north side Parking Permits 8:45 am - 8:00 pm Village Hall Wed. 12/13 Zoning Board of Appeals ⇒ Garbage, newspapers, and recyclables cannot be put out 7:30 pm Village Hall before 7 PM on the day prior to pick up. Village Board Meeting Tues. 12/19 ⇒ DPW provides two bulk pick-up operations each week, 8:00 pm Village Hall excluding holidays, on an appointment basis. Call DPW at 354-0064 to schedule a special bulk or e-waste pick up. Christmas Day Holiday Mon. 12/25 Village Offices Closed ⇒ Please ensure all trash items are secure before placing curbside for pick up. This will help eliminate trash, papers, No Sanitation Pick Up recyclables, or boxes from blowing onto your neighbor's Happy New Year - 2018 property. Mon. 1/1 New Year's Day Holiday ⇒ Empty trash cans left curbside all day are unsightly and Village Offices Closed could signal that the home is unattended. Please place empty No Sanitation Pick Up trash cans in the rear of the property. If your neighbor's empty trash cans remain unattended on the curb, please help Village Board Meeting Tues. 1/2 out and move them away from the curb. 8:00 pm Village Hall

Zoning Board, Architectural Review Board, and Village Board Public Hearings

Zoning Board of Appeals:

October 11, 2017 - No cases on the docket

November 8, 2017

- 311 Lowell Avenue an application seeking to maintain a front yard terrace and a rear yard covered patio with insufficient side yard setbacks.
- 119 Lakeville Road an application seeking to construct a new 2nd story above the existing 1st story to use
 as office space. A variance is needed because this plan exceeds maximum height requirements and
 insufficient off-street parking.

Architectural Review Board

October 4, 2017

- 106 South 2nd Street an application for a 2nd story in an existing one family house was presented. The
 roof ridge line drew concern by board members, so a recommendation was made that a cricket be added to
 direct water and snow off the roof. New drawings and plans incorporating these recommendations will be
 submitted at November hearing.
- 405 Brown Place an application for the renovation of an existing kitchen, the addition of two bedrooms
 on the 2nd floor, interior alterations, and a reconfiguration of windows was tabled pending submission of
 new drawings to reflect a centered front entrance with moldings, fluted columns and a roof over the front
 door.
- 517 South 14th Street an application was granted for the replacement of the 2nd story with an extension over the garage.

November 1, 2017

• 106 South 2nd Street - updated plans for a 2nd story addition to be presented.

Village Board Public Hearings

September 19, 2017

- 119 Lakeville Road an application to construct a new second story above the existing first floor for use as office space. The Board reserved decision pending review by the Nassau County Planning Commission. At the October 3rd public Board Meeting, this application was unanimously approved.
- 1219 Jericho Tpke. an application for interior alterations for a health drink and food store. The Board reserved decision pending review by the Nassau County Planning Commission. At the October 3rd public Board Meeting, this application was unanimously approved.

October 3, 2017

- 611 Jericho Tpke A special use public hearing to perform interior alterations for a new dental office was unanimously approved. This application was previously reviewed approved by Nassau County Planning Commission; therefore the Board was able to vote that evening.
- At a public hearing, the Board unanimously voted to include language in Local Law Chapter 196 entitled Rental Dwelling Units to prohibit the rental of non-owner occupied dwelling units for a period of less than 28 nights.

October 17, 2017

• 99 Lakeville Road - A special use public hearing was held on an application from McNulty Outdoors to relocate office operations from 806 3rd Avenue and to park eight (8) business trucks. The Board reserved decision pending the outcome of review by Nassau County Planning Commission.

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Deputy Mayor: Donna Squicciarino
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Village Clerk's Office: 354-0022

(M-F) 8:45 AM – 4:15 PM

Dept. of Public Works: 354-0064

(M-F) 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Village Court: 354-6330

Building Department: 354-0022

Fire Department & Ambulance: 742-3300

Cultural Commission Village Tree Lighting Ceremony

Mark Your Calendars! The Tree Lighting Ceremony will be held on Saturday, December 2nd at Marcus Christ Community Center. Please join us to celebrate the start of the holiday season. Festivities begin at 3:00 pm with the Magic of Amore, who always delights the crowd with magic tricks and illusions. We are thrilled to welcome back The NHP Memorial High School Band and Chamber Singers, scheduled to perform this year. At dusk, everyone will gather on the front lawn and watch as Mayor Lawrence Montreuil lights the Christmas Tree. The Greater NHP Chamber of Commerce is once again sponsors for this year's event. Their generosity is greatly appreciated.