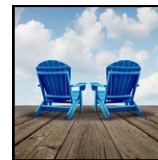




VILLAGE OF NEW HYDE PARK OFFICIAL REPORT - SUMMER 2018

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PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSION ON THE LIRR THIRD TRACK PROJECT THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13th 7:30 PM NHP ROAD SCHOOL AUDITORIUM, 300 NEW HYDE PARK ROAD

The Village Board will hold a Public Information Session to provide updated information on the 3rd Track Project, including preliminary construction underway, current design plans, and project timelines. Representatives from 3TC and the MTA LIRR will also participate at this session. This is an important meeting. It is your opportunity to hear directly from the MTA LIRR and 3TC on the most current plans and timelines of this major capital improvement project.

Construction on the LIRR 3rd Track Project kicked off in mid-June with utility relocation work on Covert Avenue, 2nd Avenue, and Wayne Avenue. The Village continues to manage and provide oversight to ensure mitigations that were negotiated in the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the LIRR are implemented as the project moves forward. Management and coordination efforts include meeting with adjacent Villages such as Floral Park. Construction work that was conducted over the summer, and continues currently, includes the installation of sanitary lines on Covert Avenue, 2nd Avenue, 3rd Avenue and Wayne Avenue. National Grid also initiated gas main installation on the south-side of Covert Avenue. Utility relocation work at Covert Avenue will continue through January 2019 in preparation of the under-grade crossing construction.

As the new utilities are being relocated and installed, the Village Board is aggressively looking at the aesthetics, resilience, maintenance, and future development of the impacted 3rd Track area. As such, the Village Board has expressed a strong preference for new or relocated utility lines to be placed underground. This will provide a more robust and resilient infrastructure in the future, while at the same time improve the aesthetics of our community as it eliminates the use of large utility poles. In addition, the Village Board is looking to redirect drainage storage under the proposed kiss and ride (currently 115 New Hyde Park Road) to enable future growth on that site.



The installation of new sanitary drainage lines on 2nd Avenue.



Contractors are required to keep construction sites clean of debris.

The Village has retained VERTEX Company, a renowned engineering firm, to support the Village by performing reviews of engineering design and construction documents. Some of the design documents reviewed include the Covert Avenue Under-Grade Crossing and Utility Relocation Design. One focus of the Village Board is to coordinate and work with the LIRR and subcontractors to keep the construction area clean and safe. Working with VERTEX, the Village has completed reviews on **Construction Noise Control Plan; Community Air Monitoring Plan; Storm Water Pollution Plans; Safety, Health and Control Plan; Traffic Control Plan; and the Rodent Control Plan**. The Village remains gravely concerned that some of the plans do not adequately address the potential for adverse impacts to New Hyde Park. In particular, the Noise Control Plan, Traffic Control Plan, and Rodent Control Plan. These plans do not provide the details necessary, as well as the means and the methods for mitigation. As an example, the Noise Control Plan provides no detail on how 3TC and LIRR plans to mitigate (muffle) the noise as they proceed to drill - 24 hours a day - under the tracks at Covert Avenue.

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Mayor's Letter to the Residents

Dear Neighbors,

I hope everyone had a nice summer and had a chance to take a break from the grind, relax, recharge, and get ready for cooler temperatures that come with a nice fall season.

In the next few weeks, we will see some familiar harbingers of summer's end in New Hyde Park. Our 23rd Annual Street Fair will kick off on Saturday, September 15th. We're delighted to renew our partnership with Northwell Health, as the official sponsor of the Street Fair. This year we will have musical entertainment from a popular local band His Boy Elroy, sponsored by The Katie McBride Foundation and the New Hyde Park Funeral Home.

We are beginning another road project on South 9th Street and North 6th Street. This unexpected project was made possible through an \$897,000 grant that Senator Elaine Phillips helped us secure in connection with our negotiations with the Governor's Office on the Third Track Project.

The Third Track Project continues to consume an unprecedented amount of time as we pour over design-build plans, provide input, and meet with 3TC, MTA, LIRR, etc, to make sure the benefits we negotiated come to fruition. In the coming weeks, we will see sanitary and water lines relocated on Wayne Avenue, the demolition of the taxi depot at 124 Covert Avenue and then the razing of the Safety Storage building at 115 New Hyde Park Road. These properties will be initially used for staging. The heavy excavation to dig the Covert Avenue underpass will begin in February and continue 24 hours per day until mid-March. Trustee Rainer Burger, who has been a great help on the project, has provided more details on the project in this newsletter.

We have asked the LIRR and 3TC to join us for a public information meeting to provide the public with an update on the project and to answer any questions. The meeting is scheduled for 7:30 pm, September 13th at the New Hyde Park Road School. We will also take this opportunity to share updates on the Transit Oriented Development project that is designed to create a new downtown center in our community, building on the new station and traffic configurations that will make New Hyde Park even more desirable when the Third Track Project is completed.

I am also excited to share that we have selected an architect to begin work on designing a desperately needed Department of Public Works garage. The funding for this facility was also a result of our negotiations with the Governor's Office. We are working closely with Senator Phillips' office to manage the funding process.

I would also like to thank Senator Phillips for securing another \$250,000 SAM grant that will fund the procurement of electronic parking meter systems capable of accepting credit cards and pay by phone that will greatly improve our efficiencies and effectiveness in collection and enforcement.

Another familiar sound we may be hearing more of is additional aircraft noise as the Port Authority will close Runway 13L at Kennedy Airport for 329 days. I have written to Congresswoman Rice to take proactive steps with the FAA to prevent what is likely to be more aircraft over New Hyde Park as arriving aircraft are diverted from 13L to 22L; the runway that aligns with New Hyde Park.

As I said, I hope you had a nice restful summer. Here comes the Fall.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lawrence J. Montuori". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.



Rainer Burger Appointed to the Village Board

On June 12th, the Village Board unanimously passed a resolution to appoint Rainer Burger to the Village Board, filling a vacant seat on the Board after the tragic passing of Tr. Donald Barbieri in February 2018. While Don's presence can never be replaced, Mayor Montreuil stated that he is confident that Rainer is the right person to jump in at a time when the demands on the Village Board have never been greater.

Rainer, his wife Ann, and their three children have been Village residents since 2004. Rainer is a Senior Program Manager for Systems and Security supporting the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey's LaGuardia Airport Redevelopment Project. He is also a Commissioned Officer in the United States Air Force Reserve and currently holds the rank of Colonel. Rainer has been active in the local community for many years including serving as Scoutmaster for the Boy Scouts of America, Troop #298 in New Hyde Park.

Tr. Burger is Trustee Liaison to the Building Department, the LIRR, and Veterans Affairs. His appointment is for a term extending through March 31, 2019.

Veteran's Affairs



The annual Veteran's Day Ceremony will be held on Sunday, November 11th at 10:45 am on the front lawn of Village Hall. This ceremony is hosted by the Veterans of Foreign War G & E Linder Post #8031 and the American Legion Ernie Pyle Post #1089.

Please join us on the front lawn of Village Hall as we pay tribute to and honor the brave men and women in the armed services who dedicate their lives to protect our families, preserve our freedoms, and ensure our safety. Guests are asked to assemble on the front lawn by 10:30 am.

Veterans Donation Drive

The Village is participating in a Veterans Donation Drive to benefit the Northport VA Medical Center. A donation box has been placed in the lobby of Village Hall and donations will be accepted through December 7th.

Some of the following items are needed:

- New clothing of all types (size large and up)
- New trial size toiletries
- Lap blankets, laundry detergent, forever postage stamps, phone cards, gift cards

For a complete list of needed items, please go to: [www.vnhp.org/Veterans Affairs](http://www.vnhp.org/Veterans%20Affairs). The Northport VA Medical Center appreciates your support and generosity.

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There are also a number of other documents required by the MOU that the Village has not received from the LIRR and 3TC. At a Third Track Technical Working Group meeting on August 16th, Mayor Montreuil, Tr. Burger, Supt Gannon, and VERTEX addressed design review comments, flaws, and missing documents with 3TC and the LIRR. Discussions also included the status of one of our high-priority outstanding items: the **Communications and Public Outreach Plan**. The Village Board will continue to pro-actively address these issues with 3TC and the LIRR to mitigate the impacts to our community.

To mitigate impacts to the NHP Fire Department emergency response as a result of the future temporary closure of Covert Avenue, Mayor Montreuil and Supt. Gannon have been meeting with the NHP Fire Department and the Police Department regarding the LIRR project. Meeting discussions include the temporary relocation of safety and emergency equipment, and how to accommodate elderly or ill residents who may need special attention once the road construction/closures begin. One of the mitigation steps includes the construction of a temporary structure for the Fire Department emergency personnel, equipment, and vehicles, on the South side of the tracks.

Please mark your calendars to attend the public information session on **Thursday, September 13th at 7:30 pm**. Representatives from 3TC and the MTA LIRR will be there to present updated project information, listen to your concerns, and answer your questions. The meeting will be held at the New Hyde Park Road School Auditorium, 300 New Hyde Park Road. We hope to see you there.

For more information on the LIRR 3rd Track Project, please visit the Village web site: <http://www.vnhp.org/lirr>



New fiber for utilities were placed under the railroad tracks at South 8th Street from 2nd to 3rd Avenue.

2018 Road Improvement Project

Two sections of roadway will be included in this year's Road Improvement Project. A full replacement will be done on the following roads:

- * **North 6th St between Lowell and Bryant Avenues**
- * **South 9th Street between 3rd and 6th Avenues**

Once a bid is awarded, work is expected to begin in the Fall. Residents living on these streets will receive advance notice before construction begins. If you see a road crew working, please be extra cautious when driving. Any local travel and parking disruptions will be minor, temporary, and worthwhile in the long run. Please call the Department of Public Works if you have any questions about this project.

Long and Lean Exercise Class

Long and Lean adult exercise will resume on Monday, September 17th. This one hour exercise class includes gentle stretching, Pilates exercise, and light weights. Participants should bring an exercise mat, towel, and a water bottle. Classes will be held twice a week, Monday and Thursday from 10:30 am - 11:30 am in the lower level of Village Hall. This popular exercise class is free to Village residents. Registration will take place prior to the beginning of the first class, so please come a few minutes early on the 17th. For more information, call the Village Clerk's Office at 354-0022 or www.vnhp.org.

***Phase II Storm Water Management Program
Storm Water Pollution - Prevention & Pet Waste***

Throwing pet waste in storm sewers is illegal. Federal, New York State, and Village regulations prohibit illegal or "illicit discharges" to storm sewer systems and are punishable by fine and/or imprisonment. Bagged or un-bagged pet waste thrown in storm sewer grates, openings, drains, or manholes is an example of an illicit discharge, which is a major cause of water pollution.

Storm sewers are not connected to wastewater treatment plants or septic systems like the drains in your home. When pet waste is tossed into a storm drain or left on the sidewalk, street, or yard, it is carried by rain water through the storm sewer system directly into our local water bodies, without any treatment!

Pet waste is a threat to human and environmental health because it contains harmful bacteria and pathogens, some of which can cause serious diseases in humans. Pet waste also contains many other nutrient pollutants, which contribute to excessive algae growth in a water body, upsetting the delicate balance of the natural habitat.

Being a responsible pet owner means picking up after your pet. Here's how you can properly dispose of your pet's waste and prevent local water pollution: Flush It. The best way to dispose of pet waste is to flush it down the toilet. Just remember to remove the waste from the bag or the litter before putting it in the toilet. Scoop the Poop. Bag it and put it in the trash. Landfills are designed to safely handle substances such as dog waste and cat litter.

Did you know that?

- There are an estimated 74.8 million dogs owned in the United States that create 72.5 billion pounds of waste every year! Just one gram of pet waste contains an average of 23 million fecal coli from bacteria.
- Some of these bacteria can cause serious gastrointestinal infections, and ear, eye, and throat infections in humans.
- As pet waste decomposes, it demands a high level of oxygen from the water. This demand can suffocate fish and plant life by reducing the amount of oxygen available to them.

Storm water is runoff from rain and snow melt. Under natural conditions, this water seeps into the ground. In urban areas, this water flows over impervious surfaces such as paved areas and building roof tops; does not percolate into the ground; and accumulates debris, chemicals, sediment or other pollutants.



Tr. Rich Pallisco (center) and his wife LeeAnne (at far right) enjoy a game of Pickle Ball with friends in Nuzzi Park.

Have you tried the fun new game, Pickle Ball? It's similar to paddle ball but played over a net instead of a wall. Pickle Ball can be played at Nuzzi Field any day of the week. The Park Attendant has all the Pickle Ball equipment needed for you to play.

Is Bocce more your speed? If so, then come to Memorial Park and check out the Bocce Court, located next to the basketball court. Bocce is available to play every day, but Wednesday nights are dedicated to Bocce play. The Parks Commission is trying to get a regular Bocce group together to play every Wednesday night. Again, just ask the Park Attendant for equipment and court rental.

Don't forget to bring your resident ID or drivers license which must be shown to the Park Attendant in order to rent court time or use the equipment.

Children's Summer Recreation Program

This was another successful Children's Summer Program. Enrollment this year exceed 175 children, many of whom participated last year. The Program Directors and Program Counselors did a great job keeping the children engaged, active, and interested in all the activities the program provides.

Deputy Mayor Donna Squicciarino and Tr. Rich Pallisco acknowledge the great job done by Parks Manager John Nicastro, (who assumed responsibility for the program this year), the Program Directors and Counselors. "We are definitely doing something right because this program grows in popularity and demand every year" said Tr. Pallisco.

Park Manager Nicastro believes the program provides children with the right mix of social and structured activities. He extends his appreciation to everyone involved in making this another successful and enjoyable program.



Great effort and enthusiasm from the Program Directors and Counselors: Bottom left: Program Director Nicole, Ashley, and Sophia. Top left: James S, Douglas, James G, Kyle, and Program Director Dylan.



Children in the morning session were eager to begin fun activities every day.



Organized games and activities kept the children in the afternoon session busy and engaged.

Summer Concerts at Memorial Park

The concerts in Memorial Park this summer were a huge hit. The talent was amazing and the weather cooperated for each show. Maspeth Savings Bank, a supporter of this event for many years, sponsored the first show: The Idol Kings, a band from Scranton, PA. Playing hits from the 60's and 70's, they set the bar high for all the shows that followed. On July 12th, a performance of the Wizard of Oz by Plaza Theatrical featured great talent and was enjoyed by all. Dr. G's Voices for Veterans electrified Memorial Park on August 1st with great music and a heartfelt tribute to veterans. Some of our local veterans received special recognition that evening. Northwell Health sponsored this show and members of their Veterans Affairs Unit were present to provide important information on programs and assistance available to veterans and their families. Closing out the summer concert season was Guilty Pleasures, an 80's tribute band that performed on August 15th. Their music had the crowd dancing in the Park.

Cultural Commissioner Lisa Miranda did an outstanding job again this year finding such great talent and organizing the shows. The hard-working DPW crew who prepare the Park grounds, assemble the stage, and clean up after each show did a great job as well. Special thanks to members of the Auxiliary Police Unit #212, the NHP Fire Department, and the Nassau County 3rd Precinct for their presence and patrols. Public safety is always a topic priority.



Maspeth Savings Bank has been a concert sponsor for many years. Tr. Pallisco thanks the Maspeth Team for their generosity.



Members of Plaza Theatrical who performed in the Wizard of Oz take a bow.



This young fan came dressed for the event and had the chance to meet the star of the show, Dorothy.



Dr. G's Voices for Veterans presented a musical tribute to honor veterans.



Some of our local veterans who received special recognition at the Voices for Veterans concert.



Senator Elaine Phillips joined Mayor Montreuil, Deputy Mayor Squicciarino and Tr. Pallisco to recognize and thank local veterans.



Guilty Pleasures rocked Memorial Park with classic 80's music.



Great entertainment and great weather brought the crowds to Memorial Park this summer.

Zoning Board, Architectural Review Board, and Village Board Public Hearings***Zoning Board of Appeals:***

July 13, 2018

- 506 6th Avenue - an application was granted to construct a full second story over the existing first story with insufficient side yard set backs.
- 1618 Lincoln Avenue - an application was granted to construct a new second story addition, a new front porch and a new rear yard deck that exceeds buildable lot coverage and side yard set backs.
- 1401 4th Avenue - a decision was reserved on an application to construct a four story self storage building. On August 14th, the Village Board voted and unanimously denied the special use permit.

August 8, 2018 - There was no hearing. No cases on the docket.

Architectural Review Board:

July 11, 2018

- 1208 Jericho Turnpike - an application was granted to renovate the existing office space with new horizontal and vertical extensions to the existing rear accessory building.
- 16 Lowell Avenue - an application was granted to construct a full second story over the existing 1st floor.

August 1, 2018

- 648 11th Avenue - a decision was reserved on an application to construct a second floor addition.
- 612 Lowell Avenue - an application was granted to construct a second floor addition, a new rear main floor addition, remodel the existing kitchen and bathroom and construct a new front portico.
- 1618 Lincoln Avenue - an application was granted to construct a second story addition, a front porch, and a rear deck.
- 602 South 8th Street - an application was granted to construct a rear one story addition and portico.

Village Board: Public Hearings

June 19, 2018

- The Village Board voted unanimously to adopt amendments to the Village Code to create a development incentive bonus overlay district within the industrial zoning district and to classify the Board as lead agency for the purposes of a coordinated environmental review. This will allow the Board the discretion to review and consider applications on new retail or residential developments within the overlay district.
- 1800 Jericho Turnpike - a decision was reserved on a special use application to perform alterations, construct a new addition, and use the property for auto sales, maintenance and repair. On August 14th, the Village Board voted and unanimously denied the special use application.

New Hyde Park Auxiliary Police Unit #212

The annual Nassau County Auxiliary Police Awards Ceremony was held on May 8th. Five members of New Hyde Park Auxiliary Police Officer Unit #212 received service awards for 2017 service.

**** Sergeants Derrick Nankoo and Rajinder Gujal received the 300 Hours of Service Award***

****APO Linda Halas-Kaplan, APO First Class Jonathan Levy, and Captain John Concannon received the 500 Hours of Service Award***

Additionally, Captain John Concannon was promoted to Deputy Inspector. Congratulations to recipients and thank you to all members of APO Unit #212. The New Hyde Park community is grateful for your time and commitment. Congratulations John Concannon for a well-deserved promotion to Deputy Inspector!

Veterans Affairs

The Nassau Veterans Service Agency (VSA), in partnership with Federal and State Veterans Affairs, and other county agencies and departments, provides services to all veterans and their dependents to aid and assist with the benefits they have earned for serving our Nation. For more information on VSA services, go to: <https://www.nassaucountyny.gov/1945/Veterans-Service-Agency>

The 2019 Legislative Fellowship Program allows up to 10 student veterans to address issues directly with Congress and meet face to face. All applications must be submitted by October 12th. Selected fellows will be notified before November 22nd with a formal announcement of the fellowship at the SVA National Conference in Orlando in January. Additional program details can be found at <http://studentveterans.org/programs/vfw-sva-legislative-fellowship>.

VFW Post #8031 will meet next on September 18th at Marcus Christ Community Center.

SANITATION SCHEDULE CHANGE**Columbus Day****Monday, October 8**

Garbage for north side POSTPONED and rescheduled to Tuesday, October 9

Tuesday, October 9

Garbage collection for entire Village.

Newspapers for the north side.

Election Day**Tuesday, November 6**

Garbage for south side and newspapers for north side

POSTPONED and rescheduled to

Wednesday, November 7

Wednesday, November 7

Garbage collection for south side.

Newspapers for north side.

Yard waste and recyclables for entire Village

Veterans Day Observance**Monday, November 12**

Garbage for north side POSTPONED and rescheduled to Tuesday, November 13

Tuesday, November 13

Garbage collection for entire Village.

Newspapers for the north side.

- Garbage, newspapers, and recyclables cannot be put out before 7 pm on the evening preceding collection. Doing so is a violation of Village code and can subject the resident to being fined. Help keep our Village looking nice.
- DPW provides two bulk and one e-waste pickup every week, excluding holidays, on an appointment basis only. Call the DPW to schedule a special bulk or an e-waste pick up.
- Please ensure all trash items are secure before placing curbside for pick up. This will help prevent trash, papers, boxes, and recyclables from blowing into the street or onto your neighbor's property.
- Empty trash receptacles left curbside all day are unsightly and could be a signal that the home is unattended. Please place empty trash receptacles in the rear of your property. If you see a neighbor's empty receptacles left curbside, please help out and move them to the side or rear of the property.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wed. 9/12	Zoning Board of Appeals 7:30 pm Village Hall
Thurs. 9/13	Informational Public Meeting LIRR 3rd Track Project Update NHP Road School Auditorium 300 New Hyde Park Road 7:30 pm
Sat. 9/15	23rd Annual Village Street Fair Sponsored by Northwell Health 10 am - 4:30 pm
Tues. 9/18	Village Board Meeting 8:00 pm Village Hall
Sat. 9/22	Rain Date Village Street Fair
Tues. 10/2	Village Board Meeting 8:00 pm Village Hall
Wed. 10/3	Architectural Review Board 7:30 pm Village Hall
Mon. 10/8	Columbus Day Holiday Village Offices Closed No Sanitation Pick Up
Wed. 10/10	Zoning Board of Appeals 7:30 pm Village Hall
Tues. 10/16	Village Board Meeting 8:00 pm Village Hall
Tues. 11/6	Election Day No Sanitation Pick Up Village Hall Open
Thurs. 11/8	Village Board Meeting 8:00 pm Village Hall
Sun. 11/11	Veteran's Day Ceremony 10:45 am / Front Lawn Village Hall
Mon. 11/12	Veteran's Day Observance Village Offices Closed

Tree Planting Resumes in the Fall

The Department of Public Works will resume planting curbside trees in October. Please call the DPW at 354-0064 to request a new tree. An inspection will be done to determine if the site can support a new tree. Once planted, instructions on the care for your new tree will be provided.

Trees play a vital role in keeping our environment healthy. Trees help clean the air, filter out harmful UVA/UVB sun rays, minimize sound pollution, and provide shelter and food for birds and other wildlife. Please help us continue to improve our suburban landscape, continue our green initiatives, and honor our Tree City, USA designation.

23rd Annual

VILLAGE OF NEW HYDE PARK

STREET FAIR

SPONSORED BY NORTHWELL HEALTH

Saturday, September 15, 2018

10:00 am – 4:30 pm

Raindate: Saturday, September 22

On Jericho Turnpike, from New Hyde Park Road
to Covert Avenue, Plus Lakeville Road

Featuring the Northwell
"Health and Wellness Pavilion"

- Village Merchants and Restaurants
- Children's Rides in Central Blvd. Parking Lot
- Over 150 Specialty Vendors, Crafters and Food Court

At The West End...

On Jericho at Covert Ave.



Special Live Band
Performance by

HIS BOY ELROY
11:30-3:30

Sponsored by the New Hyde Park Funeral Home and Katie McBride Foundation.



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Richard Pallisco

Rainer Burger

**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

3rd Track Performance Assessments

The LIRR Expansion Project team wants your input. Community surveys have been mailed to residents along the corridor as part of the Design-Builder Incentive Program. Your participation in this process will help the team assess 3rd Track Contractor's adherence to community commitments.

A new survey will be mailed out every quarter. Please take the time and complete a survey, each and every quarter. Your evaluation is an important component to ensuring that commitments made by the LIRR and 3TC are honored. Your input matters. Your experience matters. Your opinion matters.