



VILLAGE OF NEW HYDE PARK

OFFICIAL REPORT - WINTER 2019

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Dear Neighbors,

This last year, 2018 was a very sad year. Our community lost our long time friend and Trustee, Don Barbieri. Our hearts were broken when we all shared in the loss of young Leah Kuczinski just after her 16th birthday. In December, we endured another heart wrenching tragedy as Maria Karpinski and her four year old granddaughter, Brooke Schillizzi succumbed to injuries sustained in a terrible house fire on North 12th Street.

Our thoughts and prayers remain with those we have lost and for their families. As neighbors, I know that we will continue to give those families the support they need.

I would like to be optimistic about the year ahead, but the knowledge of what is in store for us in the coming weeks and months regarding the LIRR Third Track Project is cause to cringe. We knew this day would be upon us and now it is.

At a meeting of local mayors with the LIRR and 3TC, their design-build contractors, one LIRR civil engineer put it this way: **"...once we close Covert Avenue, you will see an unimaginable amount of people, trucks, cranes, and construction equipment descend on this area and working 24 hours to get what is a 12 month project completed in 6 months."** Then they will move on to New Hyde Park Road for the next 267 days. South 12th Street will be closed after that and a pedestrian underpass will be built. Sometime after that, the railroad platform will be expanded and renovated.

The image and magnitude of the disruption we are about to endure in this design-build project is coming quickly into view. I want to be clear that even though we have successfully mitigated many, many adverse aspects of this project, there will be a tremendous disruption to our community.

The bulk of this expanded newsletter will focus on the details of the project as we know them. I urge all residents and merchants to remain engaged and informed. For our part, the Village Board will continue to provide project updates at the bi-monthly public Board Meetings, on the Village website, in the quarterly Newsletters, flyers and information posted in the kiosk at the entrance to Village Hall and on Lakeville Road, and, as needed, periodic public information sessions. Additionally, two Community Ambassadors are assigned to the New Hyde Park community and are available 24/7 to answer questions and provide information. Their contact information is provided in the expanded project update article in this edition.

Finally, as we try to go about our regular daily activities in the Village, shopping, commuting, worship, please be extra cautious, extra patient, and extra vigilant. Whether walking or driving, be alert and allow extra time for your safe arrival.

Sincerely,

***LIRR MAINLINE PROJECT
CONSTRUCTION OF THE COVERT AVENUE
UNDERGRADE CROSSING
FULL CLOSURE OF COVERT AVENUE
BEGINS MARCH 31st***



The construction on the LIRR 3rd Track Project will be kicking into high gear this year with completion of the utility relocation work along Wayne, Covert, 2nd and 3rd Ave, pile driving, and then the full closure of Covert Avenue on March 31st. This project will have a huge impact to our community in 2019 and rest assured the Village Board has been, and will continue to be, actively engaged in every aspect of this project to ensure mitigations that the Mayor previously negotiated in the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the LIRR are implemented. We all live, work, and play here and the Board shares everyone's concerns.

Overall communications between the 3TC, the Village, and residents has improved. Mitigations steps that Trustee Burger and the Board have implemented seem to be successful. These steps include 6-week look ahead schedules, weekly schedule/activity meetings, monthly coordination meetings with the MTA, 3TC and surrounding Villages, email blasts, notices, and face to face communications. As noted in our last Newsletter, we did experience one communications failure with respect to the removal of 33 trees. Per the Construction Plans, the Village was aware of the need to remove these trees for the overall construction project, but 3TC did not notify the Village that this activity would start, nor was it discussed at the weekly meeting or on the 6-week look ahead schedule. We thank our residents who identified this to us and we immediately stopped the effort until proper communications was provided. As mentioned at recent Board meetings, the removal of the trees was completed in November 2018 but was very disheartening to the Village Board and we share the concerns and frustration with the Village residents. We love our trees. We pride ourselves on the Village beatification efforts. And, we take our "Tree City USA" designation seriously. We have ensured that there is a complete Landscaping Design Plan that replaces the trees that were lost. The design plan doesn't only replace the trees 1 for 1 but also factors in the diameter/caliper of the trees. For example, if a tree with a 36" diameter was removed, 3TC is required to replace the tree with six trees 6" in diameter each. The Village Board and DPW kept watch to the extent that the Village surveyed, measured, and recorded the tree trunks that were cut down so it gets the proper replacement of the trees as defined under contract.

New Hyde Park Engineering Review

One of the points we negotiated in our agreement with the LIRR was that all of the villages would have technical representations in the fast moving, ever changing design-build process the LIRR has employed. New Hyde Park and other villages engaged VERTEX, a highly respected civil engineering firm. VERTEX has helped us review and recommend changes to the high volume of engineering documents coming to us at a very high frequency.

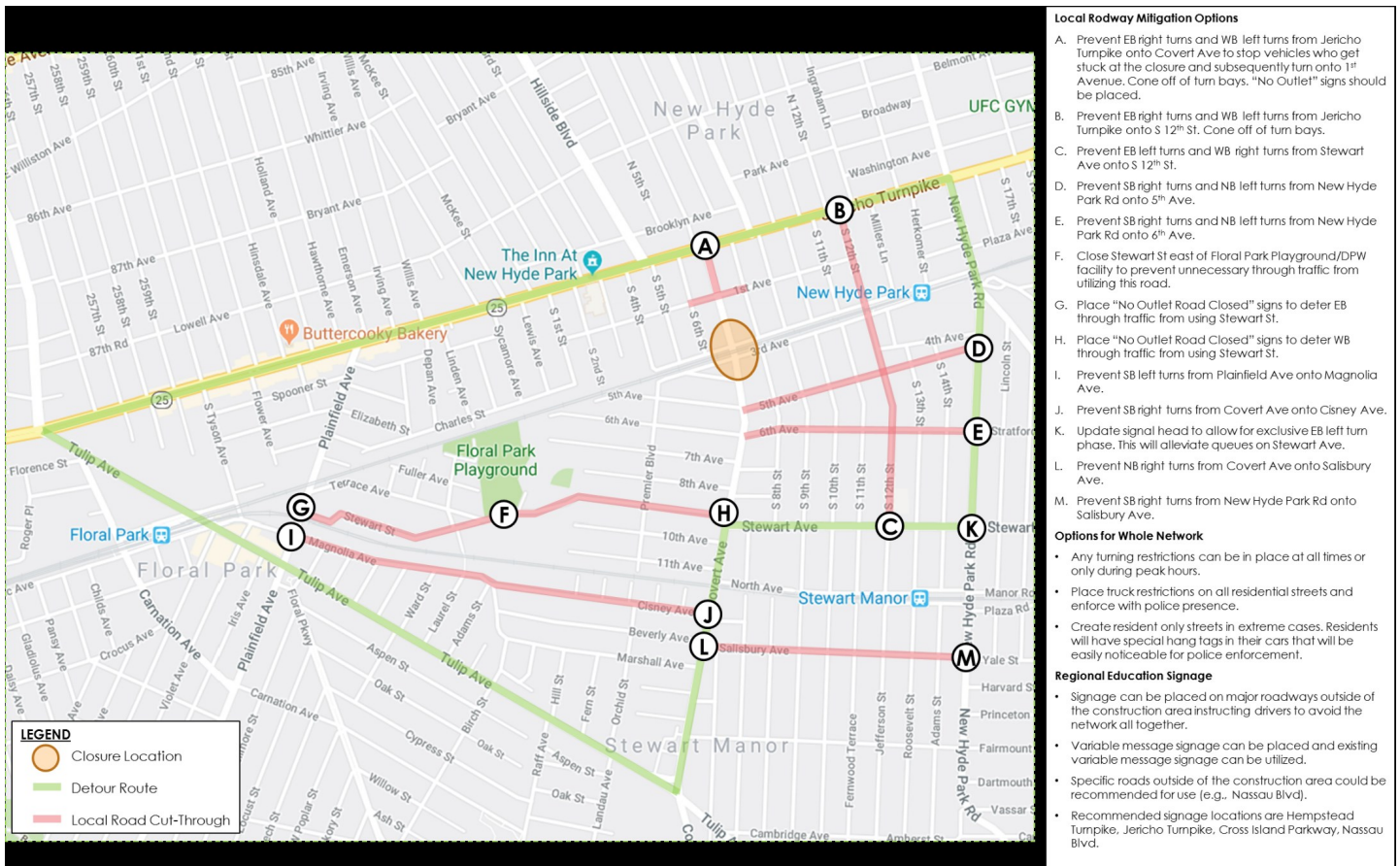
As we move closer to the closing of Covert Avenue and the construction of the Covert Avenue Undergrade Crossing, the Village, along with VERTEX, have been meeting with the MTA and 3TC. The meetings have been focused on near-term relevant plans to include Noise Control, Construction Haul Routes & Logistics Plans, Traffic Detour Plan, Construction Drawings, and temporary Fire Department Facility.

Noise Control Plan

With respect to noise control, per the Village Board's request, 3TC is making an effort to mitigate noise at night by sequencing work so that the noisiest activities take place during the day. In addition, 3TC has re-sequenced the pile driving work where most of the piles will be driven during the day. At this point only 15 piles of 180 piles will need to be driven at night. We are still looking to reduce that further.

Traffic Detour Plan

3TC has updated the Traffic Detour Plan based on input from the Village Board. We will continue to modify this plan in the upcoming weeks. For example, the Village Board has expressed intentions to close Stewart Avenue to through traffic at the Village boundary west of our DPW garage. We have also asked that northbound traffic from Stewart Avenue east of Covert Avenue is similarly closed to through traffic. Likewise, it is our intention to limit traffic on Covert Avenue, north of Stewart Avenue. We are asserting that Covert Avenue be closed to through southbound traffic from Jericho Turnpike. Each of these temporary barriers would not inhibit emergency vehicles or residents from accessing the area. The concern is to protect our residential streets from being used as local detours for drivers seeking short cuts. 3TC will be working with navigation applications to show local street closures.



We would like to note here that the Mayor has submitted a letter to the Nassau County Commissioner to have a Traffic Signal installed at the intersection of Covert and 6th Avenues. Because of the continuous flow of traffic and the slight bend in the Covert Avenue road, it is almost impossible today, as well as dangerous, to make a left turn from 6th Avenue onto Covert Avenue. With the new Undergrade Crossing, making a left turn will be more dangerous and problematic as the traffic flow will no longer be stopped at the rail road gate crossing. It will also be more difficult to see traffic, not only because of the bend, but also due to the fact the roadway is lowered and dips under the railroad tracks.

As noted in the previous newsletter and at Board Meetings, to mitigate safety concerns and maintain Fire Department response times, with the closure of Covert Ave, a temporary Fire Department facility will be constructed in the Municipal Lot on South 12th Street. This temporary facility will house equipment and fire department vehicles. The Village Board and the New Hyde Park Fire Department received the Design Plans in December 2018 and they are currently under review.



The demolition of the building at 124 Covert Avenue occurred in December 2018. The building on 115 New Hyde Park Road will be demolished next, although no date has been set.

Truck Delivery Routes

As we move closer to the closing of Covert Avenue and major construction, the Village and the Board will remain heavily engaged. The Haul Routes Plan proposed by 3TC is very disruptive and problematic. In order to build the retaining wall and the sound wall, 3TC must bring in large shipments of precast wall components to laydown areas. Originally, most of this material was to be delivered by rail, to avoid additional truck traffic on residential streets. The LIRR has determined that this is not feasible as it interferes with railroad operations. As a result, 3TC has identified three access points in the right of way "ROW" fence. Wall components and supplies will be delivered to these access points via truck over the roads marked in the map below:



Trucks will deliver material to the sites at the rate of 30 trucks per day for 30 days. When considering that each of the 30 trucks must also exit along the same route, the impact to residents is 60 trucks per day. This equates to a truck traversing the street every 12 minutes over a 12 hour shift. There will be an almost constant din of backup alarms from the trucks on the dead-end streets on 5th and 6th Avenues. The Board of Trustees is looking at options to minimize the need to have trucks back-up on dead-end streets and in turn mitigate the constant noise of construction vehicles back-up alarms. This includes the potential of constructing a temporary construction road adjacent to the LIRR right of way.

Soil Sampling

During the Public Information Meeting held on September 13, 2018, the Village Board and our residents expressed concerns about soil contamination in the LIRR right of way as a result of the use of Agent Orange (Dioxin) by the MTA/LIRR. Agent Orange is an herbicide that was used by the LIRR before 1976 to clear vegetation along the LIRR right of way. Village Trustee Burger and Mayor Montreuil have been pressing 3TC for soil testing along the right of way in New Hyde Park. The Village was informed on January 8, 2019 that soil testing along the right of way in New Hyde Park has not been conducted as this testing must occur within a 6 months window from start of construction in the specified area. Tests were conducted along Covert Avenue and detection levels are below the US EPA detection levels. Testing has been conducted in Floral Park along the right of way. This report has been released and detections levels are below the US EPA detection levels. The Village Board will continue to press for the testing and acquire the test results as soon as possible for analysis.

Rodent Control Plan

Rodent Control/Abatement continues throughout the LIRR right of way. Traps along with rodenticides are being used. At this point, rodent/pest control is being maintained, and the Village is not aware of any major issues. That said, the Village is pushing for more specific detail and expanded rodent control measures outside the LIRR right of way where construction and excavation will be taking place. The Village has requested an updated plan from 3TC and the MTA to address this, as well a number of other comments, as a result of the plan review. The Village Board asks local residents to contact the Village if there is an increase in rodent/pest control issues. The Village Board also asks residents to do their part by maintaining their properties and ensuring all trash is in plastic bags placed within garbage cans.

We need to remember and understand that this is a temporary situation and will ultimately result in a quieter, safer, less congested and landscaped roadway and underpass. For more information on the LIRR 3rd Track Project, please visit the New Hyde Park Village website at <http://www.vnhp.org/lirr/> or contact the 3TC Information Hotline at 516 203-4955 or by e-mail: CommunityOutreach@lirrexpansion.com.

Important Dates. Near Term Work Activity Schedule Covert Avenue.

Near Term Activity - Covert Avenue	Location	Start Date	Stop Date
Street Utility Work Installation	Covert Ave, S.2nd, S.3rd	On Going	
Rodent Control Along LIRR Fence	Covert Ave to S. 18th St	On Going	
Water Main Installation	New Hyde Park Road	Feb 4	thru Feb 2019
Utility Pole Relocations	Covert Ave	On Going	Jan 25 2019
Set Up Traffic Detour Signs / Lane Closures For Early Work - Pile Installation	Covert Ave	Jan 28	Feb 8
Widen Sidewalk and Ramp at South Covert Ave	South Covert Ave	Jan 28	thru Feb 2019
Widen Sidewalk and Ramp at North Covert Ave	North Covert Ave	Feb 4	thru Feb 2019
Early Work – Installation of Soldier Piles	South Covert Ave	Feb 11	thru Mar 2019
Covert Ave Street Closure	Covert Ave	March 31	Oct 1 (Estimate)
Bridge Placement	Covert Ave	August	

Snow Removal

Winter has arrived. We were fortunate that the two snow events in January did not impact New Hyde Park. While we don't want to jinx ourselves, it's a good time to review safe snow removal practices. Village Code requires that residents and merchants clear their sidewalks of snow/ice within 24 hours of the storm ending. The Department of Public Works plows Village streets, curb to curb. In order to conduct a safe and efficient operation, DPW needs your help and cooperation. Here's what you can do:

- **Do not park on the street during snow events.**
- **Minimize your travel during snow events. If you must drive, please be patient and cautious.**
- **Snow from your driveway and sidewalk should be shoveled onto the back, side, or front of your property. Do not throw snow onto the street. Not only is that a dangerous practice, but it's also against the law. Having snow removal teams return to the same street multiple times increases the cost and time necessary to clear the roads.**
- **Remove snow from your vehicle while it's parked in your driveway and certainly before you travel.**
- **Please allow the snow removal team the time and the space they need to do their job.**



Working together, we can make this another successful snow removal season. If you have questions, please call the Department of Public Works at (516) 354-0064.

Nuzzi Field

Nuzzi Field will be closed in 2019 and possibly throughout the 2020 season, during construction of a new Department of Public Works facility on Stewart Avenue. During construction, Nuzzi Field will be used to temporarily store DPW vehicles, equipment, and supplies.

As reported in the Autumn Village Newsletter, construction on the new facility is expected to begin this summer and continue through the spring/summer of 2020. All organized sports leagues have been notified about the temporary closure of Nuzzi Field. We appreciate everyone's patience and cooperation during this time. And, please be cautious navigating around the construction site.

Memorial Park

The Park remains open during the winter months, although there are no Park Attendants or facilities available. Winter is a great time to enjoy a walk through the Park, or perhaps spend a quiet moment at the Veterans Memorial. Please be aware that when weather conditions are poor or threatening, Memorial Park is subject to closure until conditions are deemed safe.

Look for Memorial Park to open at the end of March with full facilities, such as public bathrooms, water fountains, and Park Attendants.

If you have questions about Memorial Park or Park usage, please contact Parks Manager John Nicastro at 354-0022.



Car Wash Fundraisers

The Village Clerk's Office will begin to accept Car Wash Applications on March 1st. A current insurance liability certificate must be included with the application, along with three date selections. All requests are subject to Village Board approval.

Car wash fundraisers can be held in the Lakeville Road Municipal Parking Lot on Saturdays from May 5 through September 1. Applications can be obtained on the Village website www.vnbp.org or at the Village Clerk's Office. There is no fee to host a fundraiser, but applicants are limited to one car wash per season and date restrictions may exist due to Village sponsored events.

As previously reported, construction on the Covert Avenue Undergrade Crossing begins late March and is expected to continue through the summer. During this construction, there may be some impact to space and availability at the Lakeville Road Municipal Lot. We ask for your continued patience.

Village Election Day



Village elections will be held on Tuesday, March 19th. Polling takes place from 12 noon to 9 pm at the Marcus Christ Community Center, located next to Village Hall. There are three Trustee positions on the ballot. Village residents are urged to cast their vote. If you have any questions, please call the Village Clerk/Treasurer Cathryn Hillmann at 516 354-0022.

Tax Grievance Day

Tax Grievance Day is Tuesday, February 19th. This is the last day you can submit a tax grievance for the 2019/2020 fiscal tax period. The Village Tax Assessor is available on Wednesday mornings from 9 am to 11 am. Appointments during the day are not generally required, although it's advisable to call ahead. The Tax Assessor's Office is located in the Village Clerk's Office, on the 1st floor of Village Hall.

On Tax Grievance Day, the Tax Assessor will be available throughout the day to meet with residents. Pre-scheduled appointments are not necessary during the day but evening appointments (6 pm - 9 pm) must be scheduled in advance. To schedule an evening appointment, please call the Village Clerk's Office.

Air Traffic Noise and Safety

The Town-Village Aircraft Safety & Noise Abatement Committee (TVASNAC) works 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.

The Committee holds monthly meetings at the Nathan L.H. Bennett Pavilion, Hempstead Town Hall, or in local community centers. Meeting dates and locations can be found on the Town of Hempstead website: www.hempsteadny.gov/tvasnac. The meetings are public and everyone is encouraged to attend.

Residents are urged to report aircraft noise complaints to the Port Authority of NY and NJ at 1 800 225-1071 or www.panynj.gov. Residents in the Town of North Hempstead can also dial "311" to report noise complaints.

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

Building Department

Rental Registration Law Expanded

In 2005, the Village Board adopted a Rental Registration Law requiring the mandatory licensing of rental units in mixed-use dwellings (commercial and residential). This law has been expanded to include the renting of any portion of a single family home, two family home, or mixed use/ multi dwelling apartment units. The law helps ensure a safe environment for anyone who rents the premises and certainly aims to eliminate illegal dwellings in non-habitable spaces such as basements and attics. An inspection of the dwelling will ensure the proper number and placement of functioning smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors. The inspection will also provide the Village with updated information which can be added into the building records.

If you own and rent out any portion of a single family home, a two family home, or a mixed use/ multi-dwelling unit, you as the owner/landlord are required to comply with the Rental Registration Law. **It is your obligation as the owner/landlord to notify the Building Department of the rental arrangement and file an application for a Rental Occupancy Permit.** The inspection fee is based on the number of dwelling units being rented. If you currently rent a house, or any portion of a house, we encourage you to call the Building Department to confirm that your rental arrangement is licensed with the Village and that your dwelling conforms to all required safety codes.

Upon issuance, the Rental Occupancy Permit will be valid for two years, unless changes in occupancy or the building/structure occurs. If you want further information, please call the Building Department.

Landscapers - Village License Required

Landscapers doing work in the Village are required to be licensed by the Village. This license requirement protects the Village and our residents by ensuring that the landscaper carries sufficient insurances; has valid registration for its equipment and vehicles; and has an updated Nassau County business license. If you use a landscaping service, please ensure that your landscaper is licensed to operate in the Village. Landscapers who are licensed by the Village are issued an annual permit that must be affixed to their truck. Residents can call the Village Clerk's Office to inquire about the status of a landscaper's license and/or to obtain a list of licensed landscapers.

Veteran's Affairs - New Hyde Park Honors Our Local Veterans

The annual Veterans Day Ceremony was held at Village Hall on Sunday, November 11th. Members of the VFW and American Legion organize this event every year. The Village Board joined residents and guests to honor our local veterans who serve or have served in the United States Armed Forces. During the ceremony, the names of our local veterans lost in battle were read. In his speech, Mayor Montreuil asked that residents never forget the sacrifices made by veterans and their families. The Mayor also spoke about the hardship and difficulties that many veterans face upon their return from service and emphasized the importance of state, county, and local agencies that provide services to help veterans.

The Grand Marshall of this year's ceremony is Gino Delsignore, a member of the American Legion G & E Linder Post #1089. Mr. Delsignore, a Korean War Veteran, served from 1952 to 1953 in the PanMunJom area of Korea. Gino was trained as an infantryman in the Marines. Upon returning from Korea, Gino joined the NYC Police Department and worked 28 years in the Bronx Homicide Squad, attaining the rank of Detective Lieutenant. Gino has served and protected the people of this country in his military and civilian life. Gino's wife and family were present to share this special honor with him. A reception was held in the Marcus Christ Community Center immediately following the Veteran's Day ceremony.



Commander John McGuire congratulates Grand Marshal Gino Delsignore at the reception following the Ceremony.



From the right, Mayor Lawrence Montreuil, Deputy Mayor Donna Squicciarino, Tr. Rich Pallisco, and Tr. Rainer Burger.

The Village Board is saddened as we were informed that the Veteran of Foreign Wars (VFW) Gerald & Eugene Linder Post #8031 will be "Folding Its Tent" (Closing) as of April 15, 2019. The closing is due to a lack of membership. The Post has been very active in our Community, serving veterans and coordinating many Village activities and ceremonies to include Veterans Day and Memorial Day ceremonies. The Village and the Board thank all Post members for their service and dedication. If you're a Veteran of a Foreign War and are interested in joining and saving the Post, please contact the Village Hall. Eligibility requirements include: Must be a US Citizen or US National; Must be serving or have served in the Armed Forces of the US and received an Honorable or General discharge; Served in a war, campaign, or expedition on a foreign soil or in hostile waters. Please see <https://www.vfw.org/eligibility> for more details.

The Nassau Veterans Service Agency (VSA), in partnership with the Veterans Affairs both Federal and State, as well as 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. Details on the VSA services can be found at <https://www.nassaucountyny.gov/1945/Veterans-Service-Agency>.

SANITATION SCHEDULE CHANGES**President's Day Holiday****Monday, February 18**

Garbage for north side POSTPONED and
rescheduled to Tuesday, February 19

Tuesday, February 19

Garbage collection for entire Village
Newspapers for 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 a fine. Please help keep our Village looking nice.
- DPW provides two bulk and one e-waste pick up every week, excluding holidays, on an appointment basis only. Call DPW to schedule a special bulk or an e-waste pick up.
- Please ensure 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 your neighbor's empty receptacles are left curbside, please help out and move them to the side or rear of the property.
- Yard waste pick up begins on Wednesday, April 3rd. A leaf pick up map is available on the Village website: www.vnhp.org or call the DPW at 354-0064.
- Green recycle pails are available for purchase at the DPW Administrative Office, located on the 1st floor of Village Hall during regular business hours. There is a \$16 fee for the pail. Upon purchase, the pail will be delivered to the home within 3 - 5 business days.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Mon. 2/18 President's Day Holiday**
Village Offices Closed
No Sanitation Pick Up
- Tues. 2/19 Tax Grievance Day**
8:45 am - 4:15 pm
6 pm - 9 pm (by appointment only)
- Tues. 2/19 Village Board Meeting
8:00 pm Village Hall
- Mon. 3/4 Long and Lean Adult Exercise Begins
10:30 am - 11:30 am / Village Hall
- Tues. 3/5 Village Board Meeting
8:00 pm Village Hall
- Wed. 3/6 Architectural Review Board
7:30 pm Village Hall / 2nd Floor
- Wed. 3/13 Zoning Board of Appeals
7:30 pm Village Hall
- Tues. 3/19 Village Board Elections**
Marcus Christ Community Center
12 Noon - 9:00 pm
- Thurs. 3/21 Village Board Meeting**
8:00 pm Village Hall
- Tues. 3/26 St. Baldrick's Fundraiser
Marcus Christ Community Center
4:00 pm - 7:00 pm
- Tues. 4/2 2019/2020 Budget Hearing**
Installation of Officers
Annual Organization Meeting
Village Board Meeting
7:30 pm Village Hall
- Wed. 4/4 Architectural Review Board
7:30 pm Village Hall / 2nd Floor
- Wed. 4/10 Zoning Board of Appeals
7:30 pm Village Hall
- Sat. 4/13 NHP Little League Parade**
11:00 am
On Jericho Tpke. from Lakeville
Road to New Hyde Park Road to
Memorial Park
- Fri. 4/19 Village Offices Close at Noon**



Tree Planting Resumes in Spring

Curb-side tree plantings will resume in the Spring. The Village continues its efforts and commitment to replanting some of the trees lost over the years. New trees will ultimately be planted to replace those removed by the LIRR for the 3rd Track Project, although not until the project is completed.

If you want to be added to the list for a new tree, or if you want to suggest a barren site in need of a tree, please call the Department of Public Works. Any site considered will be inspected first to ensure sustainability. Information on the care and maintenance of the new tree will be provided at the time of planting. Trees clean our air, filter out dangerous UVA/UVB light, and provide vital shelter and food for local wildlife. New Hyde Park is a proud member of Tree City USA.

We hope you take advantage of the Spring Tree Planting initiative by calling the Department of Public Works at 516 354-0064.

Park and Recreation

Long and Lean Adult Exercise



Long and Lean adult exercise classes will resume on March 4th. Classes are held in the lower level of Village Hall on Monday and Thursday from 10:30 - 11:30 am. Classes are expected to continue through the summer. This program is offered free to residents, thanks to grant funding obtained through Nassau County.

The Long and Lean exercise program involves gentle stretching, some Pilates exercise, and light weights. Participants should bring an exercise mat and towel. Water is now available to participants.

Registration takes place before the beginning of class on March 4th, so please come 10 minutes earlier that morning. This program has become very popular over the past few years, with a number of dedicated participants. It's not too late for you to register and enjoy an hour of ***fun and fitness***.

If you have any questions, please call the Village Clerk's Office at 354-0022.

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

Zoning Board of Appeals:

November 15, 2018

- 916 Jericho Tpke. - An application from The Body King to relocate the fitness studio to 916 Jericho Turnpike, a location with insufficient off-street parking, was granted.

December 12, 2018 - No cases on the agenda. The hearing was cancelled.

January 9, 2019

- 912 First Avenue - An application was approved to construct a 300 square foot single story addition to the rear of the home and a new second story with 920 square feet of floor area. The new total floor area for this home after construction will be 2,267 feet.

February 13, 2019 - No cases on the agenda.

Architectural Review Board:

November 7, 2018

- 29 Jericho Tpke. - An application to restore the façade of the bar/restaurant received conditional approval with the caveat that the applicant submits a revised rendering of the project for final Building Department and Board approval.

December 5, 2018 - No cases on the agenda. The hearing was cancelled.

February 6, 2019

- 5 S. 11th Street - This application was postponed from January 2nd. The homeowner seeks to enclose the open roofed front deck into an unconditioned entry foyer, add a roof above the rear terrace, and re-face the house from siding to a stone veneer.



Cultural Commission Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony



Children enjoyed indoor fun and activities while patiently waiting for Santa and the lighting of the Christmas Tree.



Mayor Lawrence Montreuil welcomes Santa to Village Hall.



From right to left: Deputy Mayor Donna Squicciarino; Mayor Lawrence Montreuil; NHP Chamber members Rich DeMartino, Ralph Ventura, and Mark Layton; Magician Amore; Cultural Commissioner Lisa Miranda; Tr. Richard Pallisco; and NHP Lions Club President William Sheehan.

The Holiday Season in the Village of New Hyde Park began on Saturday, December 1st at the annual Tree Lighting Ceremony. Attending this Village event has become a holiday tradition for many in the community and every year it grows in popularity. This year, we had our largest attendance with over 200 guests.

Cultural Commissioner Lisa Miranda organizes this event and she strives to make it special every year. The festivities began in the Marcus Christ Community Center as the Magic of Amore puts on a great show with illusions and interactive magic acts. Light refreshments, beverages, and candy canes are available for all to enjoy. Members of the NHP Memorial High School Band and Chorus entertained guests with holiday music and song. To the surprise and delight of all, just as dusk fell, Santa Claus arrived on the back of the New Hyde Park Fire Truck. Everyone gathered on the front lawn and watched as Santa helped Mayor Lawrence Montreuil light the Village Christmas Tree.

Park Association Girl Scout members from over 12 Troops attended, bringing a toy donation for the Marine Corp. Toys for Tots annual drive, and assisting throughout the day. The donation drive was so successful that the toy drive was continued at Village Hall through December 14th. Hundreds of toys were donated and we hope to make this donation drive an annual tradition.

This event is generously funded and made possible by the New Hyde Park Lions Club and the Greater New Hyde Park Chamber of Commerce. Special thanks to the NHP Lions Club for donating a Christmas tree and wreathes for the Community Center.

Commissioner Miranda is grateful to all the volunteers who helped with refreshments and activities, and to the NHP Memorial High School Band and Chorus for bringing holiday music and song to this wonderful event. It's events like this that help keep the community connected. If you are new to the Village or have never attended this annual holiday event, we hope you join us next year. Everyone is welcome!!

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Deputy Mayor: Donna Squicciarino
Trustees: Richard Coppola, Jr.
Richard Pallisco
Rainer Burger

Village Clerk's Office: 354-0022
(M-F) 8:45AM– 4:15PM
Dept. of Public Works: 354-0064
(M-F) 9:00AM– 3:00PM
Village Court: 354-6330
Building Department: 354-0022
Fire Department & Ambulance: 742-3300



**Village Election
Day
Tuesday, March 19, 2019
Polling Hours
12 Noon - 9:00 pm
Marcus Christ Community
Center
1420 Jericho Turnpike
Next to Village Hall**