



VILLAGE OF NEW HYDE PARK

OFFICIAL REPORT - SPRING 2019 NEWSLETTER

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Mayor's Letter to the Residents



Dear Neighbors,

I am happy to share this Spring Newsletter with you providing important updates on the LIRR Third Track Project, news of our 2019 – 2020 Village Budget, acknowledgement of the great work our Auxiliary Police Officers do for us, and much more important information about our Village.

Our upcoming Memorial Day parade and tribute will be held on Saturday, May 25th. More than the unofficial start of summer, Memorial Day is the day we as a community remember the supreme sacrifice that 56 young men from New Hyde Park made for our country. Most of these young men were barely out of high school when they answered our nation's call of duty and tragically lost their lives defending our American ideals. It is the duty of all New Hyde Park residents to honor the memory and sacrifice of these brave young men. The parade kicks off from the Lakeville Road parking lot at 10:00 am to Village Hall. A wreath will be laid at the monument at Village Hall and the procession will continue on New Hyde Park Road to Memorial Park for another ceremony. I look forward to seeing you there.

In this Newsletter, you will see the results of the 2019 – 2020 budget necessary to fund Village operations. While the tax rate increase remained under the 2% mandate, this year's effort to do so was made more difficult by the removal of state aid funding to villages. Cost controls and other revenue streams helped offset the decrease in state aid, reductions in assessed valuations, and increases in retirement and insurance costs. The result is a budget that will enable us to deliver the municipal services our residents deserve.

The Village is also working hard to ensure residents continue to enjoy the suburban character of life we all expect. Doing so has never been as challenging as it is now with the tremendous upheaval we are experiencing from the LIRR's Third Track Project. The long-awaited closure of Covert Avenue has begun, and traffic management plans seems to have worked in keeping most out of town traffic, out of town. We did pick up more traffic on South 12th Street. The Village installed an additional stop sign at 5th Avenue as a traffic calming measure. We have also asked 3TC to work with Nassau County to improve the timing of the traffic lights on Jericho Turnpike at South 12th and Ingraham Lane. We continue to monitor all traffic issues created by the project and stand ready to take corrective actions as required. The construction at Covert Avenue will continue throughout the spring and into the summer. The new bridge will be rolled into place during the August 24th weekend. The 2nd and 3rd Avenue bridges will be installed shortly after. Plans are to reopen Covert Avenue to traffic in September 2019 and to open 3rd Avenue in October and 2nd Avenue in November 2019.

While the Third Track Project continues, the Village Board received its first application in the revitalization of the industrial district along the trackside. On April 30th, a Special Use Public Hearing was held to hear a proposed application on a 4 story mixed use building with 71 apartments at 300 South 12th Street. Hundreds of Village residents, community leaders, and residents from nearby communities attended the hearing. I applaud the public's interest and involvement and I want to reiterate my opening comment at the public hearing. No decision on this application was intended to be made that night. The purpose of this, and all public hearings, is to gather information from the applicant and receive input from the public. There will be additional hearings on this topic in a larger venue that will better accommodate the public. Residents may continue to submit questions or comments by letter or e-mail directed to Cathryn Hillmann, Village Clerk-Treasurer, 1420 Jericho Turnpike / nhpclerk@vnhp.org. The Board will consider this application as it does every proposal; what is in the best interests of New Hyde Park and how will it improve the suburban character of our Village.

Lastly, I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy spring. I look forward to seeing you around town.

Sincerely,

Lawrence J. Montreuil, Mayor

Trustees Coppola, Squicciarino and Burger Re-Elected

Village elections were held on Wednesday, March 19 in the Marcus Christ Community Center. In an uncontested race, Richard Coppola, Jr. and Donna Squicciarino were re-elected to Trustee and Rainer Burger, having been appointed last year, was elected to Trustee. Tr. Coppola will serve a two year term and Trustees Squicciarino and Burger will serve four year terms.

Trustee Coppola begins his 6th term and the beginning of his 21st year as Village Trustee. Trustee Coppola is the Village Liaison to the Nassau County Police Department, NHP Fire Department, Nassau County Auxiliary Police, and the NHP Little League.

Trustee Donna Squicciarino begins her 2nd full term and the beginning of her 7th year serving as Village Trustee and her 3rd year serving as Deputy Mayor. Tr. Squicciarino is the Village Liaison to the Village Clerk's Office, Board of Assessors, Chamber of Commerce, Parks and Recreation, Library, and Schools.

Trustee Rainer Burger begins his 1st full term and the beginning of his 2nd year as Village Trustee. Tr. Burger was appointed by Mayor Montreuil last year after the sudden passing of Village Trustee Donald Barbieri. Tr. Burger is the Liaison for the Building Department, LIRR, and Veterans Affairs.

Nassau County Auxiliary Police Unit #212

Auxiliary Police Officers are the "eyes and ears" of the Nassau County Police Department. Auxiliary Police Officers volunteer their time to help deter criminal activity through routine patrols; ensure the safety of residents during various public meetings and community events; manage traffic at parades and festivals; and provide assistance and support as needed. No doubt, you have seen Unit #212 members at the annual Village Street Fair, at the Memorial Day and Little League Parades, Village Board Meetings, Village Court, and countless other community events and public meetings held in the Village throughout the year. The Village of New Hyde Park is very fortunate to have the dedicated officers of the Auxiliary Police Unit #212 supporting our community. Each and every member of this Unit deserves our respect, admiration, and gratitude.

A special acknowledgement to the five unit members who received service recognition awards at this year's annual Nassau County Auxiliary Police Longevity, Service Award and Promotion Ceremony held on May 9th at the Nassau County Police Headquarters in Mineola.

Recipients of the 500 Hour Award:

Sergeant Rajinder Gujral - 572 hours

Sergeant Derrick Nankoo - 618 hours

PFC Jonathan Levy - 628 hours

APO Linda Halas-Kaplan - 660 hours

Recipient of the 1,000 hour award:

Deputy Inspector John Concannon - 1,027 hours

Promotions:

Sergeant Derrick Nankoo - promoted to Lieutenant



Award recipients, from the left: Lieutenant Derrick Nankoo, Deputy Inspector John Concannon, APO Linda Halas-Kaplan, Sergeant Rajinder Gujral, and PFC Jonathan Levy.

***Congratulations to award recipients.
Thank you members of NCAP Unit #212
for all you do for the Village of New Hyde Park.***

2019 Village Street Fair

For the past 23 years, this community has come together to host the premier street fair on Long Island. The Village Street Fair is our biggest, and most popular, community event and is the one event that attracts thousands of visitors to our streets every year. It seemed improbable that a circumstance or a project beyond our control could impact this community to the extent that the Street Fair would have to be cancelled. But unfortunately, the LIRR 3rd Track Project, the largest capital project this community has ever experienced, has finally begun and is expected to continue for the next two years.

Last month, the Village Board reluctantly cancelled the Street Fair this year because of safety, noise, traffic, and parking concerns emanating from the 3rd Track Project, including the full closure of Covert Avenue, and intermittent lane reductions on portions of New Hyde Park Road. Closing down a large section of Jericho Turnpike, Lakeville Road, two municipal parking lots, and many ancillary roads to host a Street Fair would escalate the traffic and parking challenges that currently exist. The Village Board wants residents and merchants to know that this decision was not made lightly, it was made in the best interests of the community, and it is only temporary. ***The Street Fair will be back.*** But until then, we have a new and exciting community event to announce.

New Hyde Park Village Community Day

On Saturday, September 14th, New Hyde Park Village Community Day will be held in Memorial Park from 11 am - 4 pm. On this day, Memorial Park will be filled with residents, local merchants, community and service groups, food, activities, and music. New Hyde Park Village Community Day is made possible through the generosity and the partnership of Northwell Health, the Official Sponsor of the event. North Shore University Hospital and Long Island Jewish Medical Center will be active participants and contributing partners in the sponsorship. One thing is for sure, Northwell Health's involvement will enhance ***New Hyde Park Village Community Day*** and provide a greater depth and dimension to the event.

The New Hyde Park Funeral Home and the Katie McBride Foundation accepted our invitation to be the Music Sponsor of ***New Hyde Park Village Community Day***. Thanks to their generosity, there will be music throughout the day.

There will be much more exciting information to share with you as details are finalized. Please keep reading the Village Newsletters, and check the Village website and the e-board. In the meantime, please mark your calendar and plan to attend. **Your** presence and **Your** participation will make this a great event. We look forward to seeing you at ***New Hyde Park Village Community Day*** on September 14th. Together, we will make this a great event and continue the tradition of an annual New Hyde Park Village community event.



New Hyde Park Village Community Day

For the Community. About the Community. In the Community.



LIRR Mainline Construction Project

The LIRR 3rd Track Project is now in full swing and we are all feeling major impacts – everything from noise, house rattling, and traffic congestion. At the point of the release of this newsletter, Covert Avenue is closed from 1st to 5th Avenue. The Detour Plan has been implemented. The construction of the temporary Fire Facility is complete. Utility relocations on New Hyde Park Road continue. Demolition, site clean-up, and construction is underway at 115 New Hyde Park Road (self-storage facility). As noted in our Winter Newsletter, the Village employees and the Village Board are tirelessly working, as well as actively engaged in every aspect of this project to ensure we mitigate the construction impacts as best we can. This is a massive construction project and, unfortunately, there will always be some impact until the project is complete.

The Village Board is in continuous communications with 3TC, MTA and surrounding Villages. This includes weekly telecommunication meetings with 3TC, monthly project meetings with the MTA, as well as almost daily emails and phone calls. We are working to get the word out to you as soon as we are informed and as fast as possible. Please pay attention to telephone voicemail blasts, and check the Village website <http://www.vnhp.org>. More importantly, please check the LIRR Expansion website at <https://lirrexpansion.com>. For problems and concerns, we urge you to reach out directly to the 3rd Track Construction (3TC) Hotline at (516) 203-4955 or email communityoutreach@lirrexpansion.com. You may also copy Mayor Lawrence Montreuil (mayor@vnhp.org) and Trustee Rainer Burger (rburger@vnhp.org) on your email, if you wish, so that they are aware of your concerns.

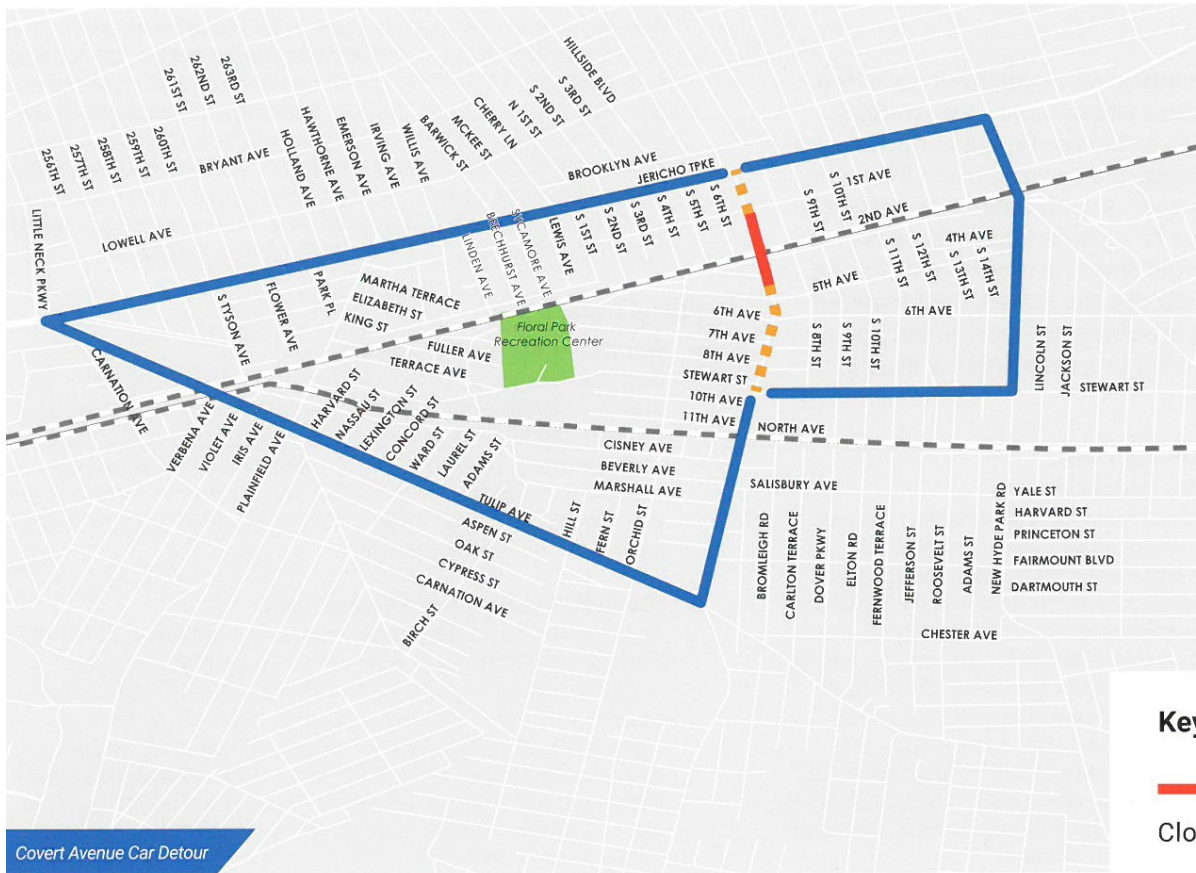


Pile driving is done to support the tracks and keep the earth in place while the construction site is being excavated.

Covert Avenue Traffic Detour Plan

With the closure of Covert Avenue from 1st Avenue to 5th Avenue, the Covert Ave Detour Plan is in full effect. The plan, approved by Nassau County, diverts some residential traffic away from the construction site while allowing access for Village residents and Emergency Response Vehicles. The Village had requested temporary removable barriers be placed at the intersections of Covert Avenue and Stewart Avenue as well as Jericho Turnpike and Covert Avenue to allow for local New Hyde Park residential traffic, but prohibits non-residential traffic. The Village was advised on April 12, 2019 that these barriers were not in the approved Nassau County Plan as the barriers would create a potential safety issue. The Village Board expressed their disappointment about this to 3TC and to the MTA. The barriers were later put in place at Stewart Avenue and Covert Avenue and signage was modified as a result of the first day of traffic flow observations. The Detour Plan was also amended. As further mitigation, 3TC agreed to position flaggers at the above noted intersections to help divert thru traffic. In addition, the MTA will deploy MTA Police at the construction site. The Village and the MTA also reached out to Nassau County Police for support to help manage the traffic flow. This Plan will be monitored and remains fluid with additional local roadway mitigation options available, should we choose to implement. These options were presented in the Village Winter Newsletter and included options such as closing Stewart Street, east of the Floral Park playground by the NHP DPW facility, to prevent unnecessary thru traffic. Another option presented was to prevent east bound or west bound traffic on Stewart Avenue from turning onto South 12th Street to prevent non-resident thru traffic. The Village also deployed temporary barriers along Covert Avenue and will close side streets from thru traffic as necessary. Figure 1 and 2 shows the Car and Truck Detour Plans respectively.

Figure 1 – Covert Avenue Car Detour Plan



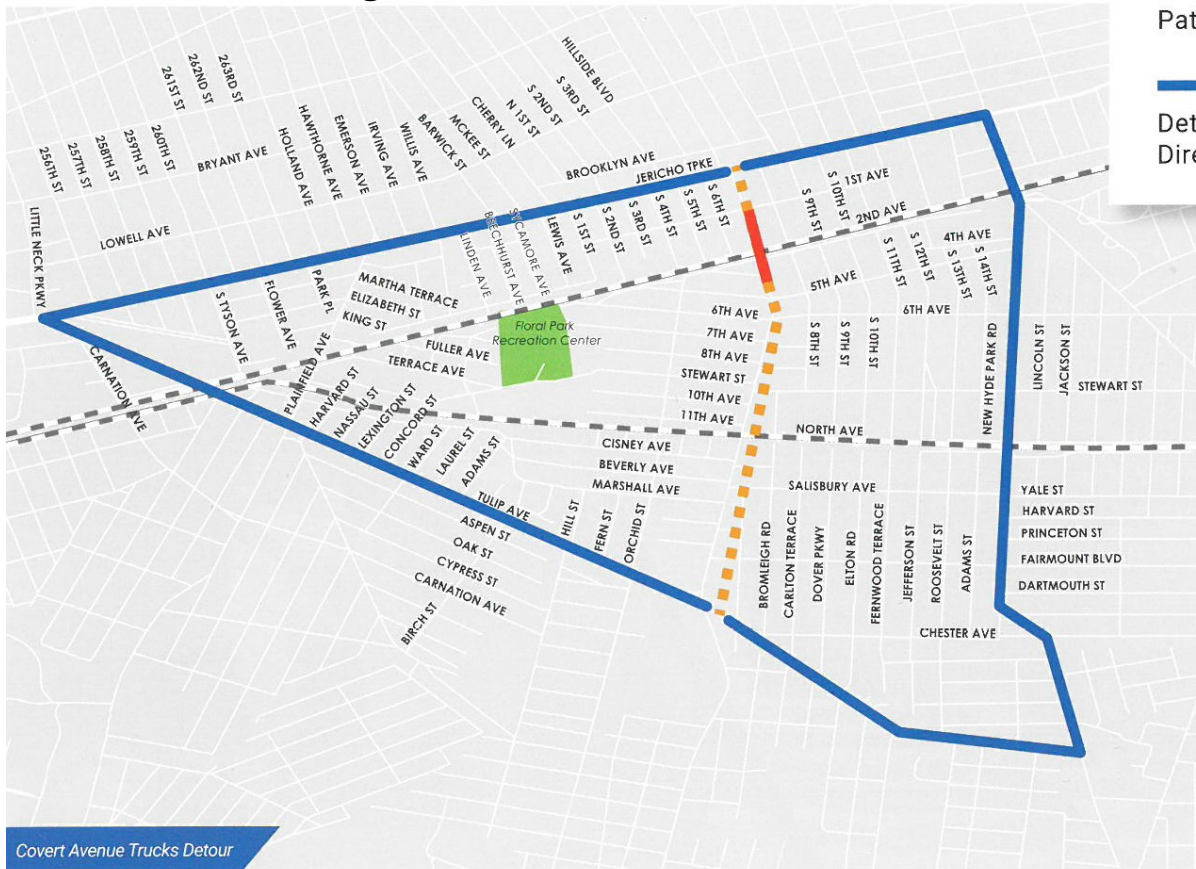
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 Closed Intersections

 Path to Avoid

 Detour in Any Direction

Figure 2 – Covert Avenue Truck Detour Plan



Key:

 Closed Intersections

 Path to Avoid

 Detour in Any Direction

Traffic Detour Plan

In the Village Winter Newsletter, it was noted that the Village had submitted a letter to the Nassau County Commissioner requesting that a traffic signal be installed at the intersection of Covert and 6th Avenues. As of the development of this Newsletter, the Village has not received a response to this request. The Village has requested the installation of a traffic signal because it is already difficult to make a left turn from 6th Avenue onto Covert Avenue. With the new Undergrade Crossing, left turns will be even more difficult and dangerous because there will be a continuous flow of traffic since traffic will no longer be stopped at the railroad crossing. It will also be more difficult to see traffic because of the bend in the road and the roadway will be lowered and dip under the railroad tracks.

Temporary Fire Facility

The Temporary Fire Facility construction was completed in the Municipal Parking Lot on South 12th Street in April. This facility was to have been completed by April 15th but was delayed. This facility has been constructed to mitigate safety concern and to maintain NHP Fire Department response times to Village residents living on the south side of the track. This facility will temporarily house an Emergency Response Vehicle, a Fire Apparatus Vehicle, and two trailers for Fire and Emergency Response Personnel.



An aerial view of the new temporary fire facility that was set up in the South 12th Street Resident Parking Lot to provide emergency services to residents on the south side of the track during the LIRR Mainline Construction Project.

Rodent Control Plan

Rodent Control and Abatement continues throughout the LIRR Right of Way and the construction area. The Village notified 3TC in early April of some rodents that were sited west of Covert Avenue, and that no rodent traps could be seen. This issue was also raised by Village residents during a public information meeting held by 3TC on April 3rd at Marcus Christ Community Center. 3TC has responded by setting additional traps and abatement along the right of way. It is understood by the Village that at this time a total of 36 traps have been placed along the right of way; however, we have requested that even more traps be put in place along the right of way in our Village.

Parking Mitigation Plan

As the construction intensified on the 3rd Track Project, so too have our parking challenges. The Village Board has been working a number of mitigation actions as parking resources are being diminished. As Mayor Montreuil detailed in the March Mayor's Letter for the Village website, the Village Board has taken the following actions:

- ◆ **Vehicles with R stickers parking in voucher spots without a daily voucher will not be ticketed, until further notice**
- ◆ **Village employees will be on site at the South 12th Street Parking lot in the morning to alert residents as to the availability of voucher parking spots**
- ◆ **Additional voucher parking spots have been created on Plaza Avenue, east of New Hyde Park Road**
- ◆ **Additional voucher parking spots have been created on Second Avenue, west of South 12th Street, by changing parallel parking spaces to head-in parking spaces**

New Hyde Park Road

In preparation for the future closure of New Hyde Park Road and the construction of the under-grade, 3TC has initiated construction and utility relocations. Initially, lane restrictions and road closures became problematic because the Village was not given advanced notice about these road closures. This was addressed with 3TC and the Village continues to work with 3TC to keep on top of road closures. Although we understand from 3TC that no lane closures are expected upon the full closure of Covert Avenue, residents are urged to routinely check the Village website and the LIRR Expansion website for updated information. Since this is a design build project, and as we get closer to the completion of Covert Avenue, we expect the potential for some intermittent lane closures during non-peak hours on New Hyde Park Road. We have also heard our residents raise concerns and issues with respect to construction vehicles and personnel blocking residential streets, driveways, etc. The Village Board is addressing these issues on a case by case basis. If there is an issue, please call the 3TC Hotline and keep the Village posted as well.

Other upcoming activities will include the design of the new upgraded electrical substation at South 9th Street. A 30% design is expected in late April/early May with a 60% design due in July. Work also continues on the LIRR Right of Way. Most of this work will take place during the overnight and on weekends. Railroad work along the Right of Way includes lifting of the tracks, rail tie replacement, track inspections, and of course, physical rail work for the addition of the 3rd rails.

Our Village is enduring a lot and we will see some major disruptive impacts to our Village. As previously noted, we need to remember and understand that this is a temporary situation. In the end, the ultimate result will be a quieter, safer, less congested landscaped roadway and underpass. For more information and for continued updates, please visit the Village website or contact the 3TC Hotline via phone and email. Specific details are in the beginning of this article.

Haul Route

With the closure of Covert Ave, the 3TC/MTA Haul Routes Plan is in effect. This is and will continue to be very disruptive to our normal relatively quiet streets. We have been told that we can expect at times an average of 30 trucks per day during the height of construction. 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 evaluated a number of options, but none were deemed feasible. Unfortunately, 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. Haul Routes are identified in the map below.



Village Board Meeting Schedule

Beginning in April, **Village Board meetings will be held on Thursday evenings.** A resolution authorizing the 2019/2020 Board Meeting schedule was unanimously passed at the April 2nd Annual Organization Meeting. Board meetings provide a great opportunity to learn about important issues and events in our community. Residents are encouraged to attend. The Board meets on the 1st floor of Village Hall at 8 pm or immediately following a public hearing. Time is allotted during each meeting for public input or questions. Remaining meeting dates for 2019/2020 are:

May 2, 2019	November 21, 2019
May 16, 2019	December 5, 2019
June 20, 2019	December 19, 2019
July 18, 2019	January 2, 2020
August 15, 2019	January 16, 2020
September 19, 2019	February 6, 2020
October 3, 2019	February 20, 2020
October 17, 2019	March 5, 2020
November 7, 2019	March 19, 2020

***New Hyde Park Museum
Upcoming Events***

May 30 1:00 - 5:00 pm

Celebrating Our Seniors! Visit the Hillside Public Library for refreshments, games, giveaways, and information. Check out some of our new Museum acquisitions and reference materials.

July 23 2:00 - 4:00 pm

“Stars of New Hyde Park” is a presentation to highlight some of the well-known and not as well known people from New Hyde Park. There will also be a chance for those attending to highlight some of their own personal Stars. Carol Nowakowski will also provide a feature segment. There is a link on the Museum website for more information and to contact us to have someone featured: <http://bit.ly/startsjuly23>

The Museum is also working to have a dedicated space in the Library for a changing exhibit. We are currently designing a new exhibit entitled: *Life in New Hyde Park in the Early 1900’s*. If you have donations or interesting artifacts of this time period, please contact us:

nhpmuseum@gmail.com
NHPMuseum.org / (516) 515-1837

The Village Board Modifies Village Code

Time Limit Parking on Lewis Avenue

In January, the Village Board received complaints from residents of Lewis Avenue concerning the lack of available street parking on the block. Some residents complained that employees of a nearby business in the industrial zone were parking their vehicles on the street all day, inhibiting residents from parking in front of their homes and impacting the quality of life on the street. The Village enforces parking regulations daily and illegally parked cars are ticketed. However, some people avoid getting a ticket by moving their vehicles before the permitted time has expired. A survey was sent to Lewis Avenue residents seeking input on possible changes to the parking regulation on the block. Over 63% of Lewis Avenue residents favored changing the parking code to a 2 hour limit. On March 5th, the Board unanimously voted to modify Village Code and implemented a 2 hour parking limit on Lewis Avenue from Jericho Turnpike to Charles Street.

Vehicular Travel on 3rd Avenue

On March 5th, the Board voted to change traffic direction on 3rd Avenue, from Covert Avenue to Wayne Avenue, and make it a west-bound, one-way only street. Streamlining the direction of travel is a traffic calming feature and one that will create safer travel for vehicles and pedestrians, especially during the construction of the Covert Avenue Undergrade Crossing.

The Village Board Unanimously Adopts The 2019-2020 Village Operating Budget

A Budget Hearing was held at Village Hall on Tuesday, April 2nd at 7:30 pm. Village Clerk and Treasurer Cathryn Hillmann presented the 2019-2020 tentative budget with a proposed total appropriation of \$6,467,973 and a proposed tax rate of \$23.01 per \$100 assessed valuation, representing a 3.4 % increase in the tax rate. Mayor Montreuil explained that the budget was negatively impacted by the Governor's decision to eliminate per capita state aid (AIM Funding); a decrease in overall property assessment value from commercial and residential grievances; and the rising cost of state retirement and employee benefits.

At the public Board Meeting held on April 18th, the Village Board voted unanimously to adopt the 2019/2020 operating budget as presented, with no changes or amendments. And for the 9th consecutive year, the 2019/2020 operating budget does not exceed the State mandated 2% tax cap.

The total appropriation of \$6,467,973 represents an increase of \$36,033 from last year's budget. The budget authorizes a tax levy of \$4,504,208 which is an increase of \$117,272 from last year's budget. This calculates to a tax rate of \$23.01 per \$100 of assessed valuation, a \$0.76 increase which is a 3.4% increase from last year's tax rate.

So, what does this mean and how does this impact you? The average assessed household in the Village (with an assessed valuation of 5,400) will be required to pay an additional \$41.04 a year in Village tax.

The total Village Assessment Roll as of April 2, 2019 was set at 19,578,569 a decrease of 137,239 from last year's total assessment of 19,715,808. Other revenue sources in the budget are projected at \$1,963,765 which represents a \$81,239 decrease from last year, or -3.97%.

Here are some of the budget highlights:

- Medical, dental, and vision expenses are projected to be \$ 944,004 an increase of \$4,673 from last year. Since 2016, all employees who choose to participate in health care coverage are required to contribute between 10% and 20% towards their medical, dental, and vision coverage expense.
- State retirement expenses are projected to be \$302,219 an increase of \$15,880 from last year.
- Worker's Compensation Insurance expenses are projected to be \$ 150,000 which remains the same from last year.
- The decrease to the total Village Assessment Roll of 137,239 represents a decrease in tax revenue of \$31,579.

**Village Budget
2019 - 2020 Revenue**

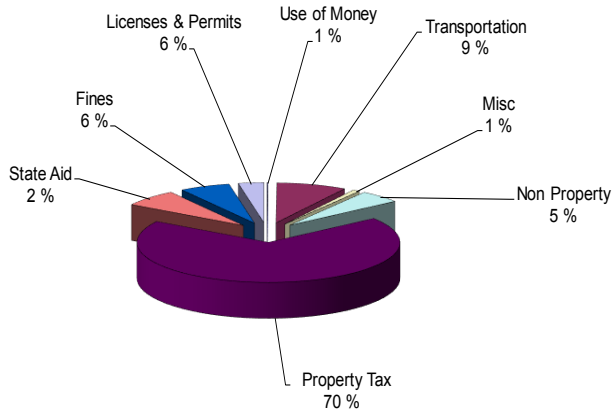


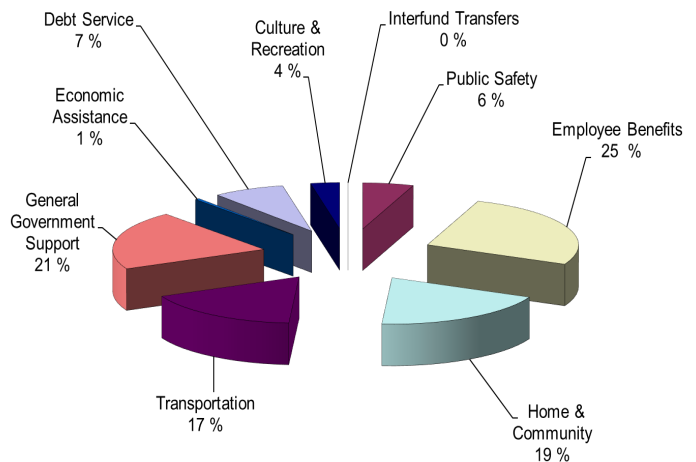
CHART LEGEND

Budget Lines	Revenues 2019 - 2020
Property Tax Revenue: Property Tax/Interest/ Penalties	\$ 4,516,208
Non-Property Tax Revenue: Electric/Gas/ Telephone/Fees/Cablevision/FIOS.....	313,000
Miscellaneous Revenue: Refund Prior Year Expenses/ Registrar Fee/Zoning Fees/ Special Use Permits/ Street Fair Income/Insurance Recoveries	47,000
Transportation Revenue: Parking Permits/ Parking Meters/Voucher Parking	587,080
Use of Money: Interest on Deposits/ Rental Marcus Christ Hall	48,500
Licenses & Permit Revenue: Plumbing/Building/ Rental Registration.....	384,700
Fine Revenue: Court & Building Fines/ Collection Agency.....	422,500
State Aid Revenue: Grants/Reimbursement Road Improvements/Sales Tax/ Mtg Tax	148,985
Total Revenue:	\$ 6,467,973

CHART LEGEND

Budget Lines	Expenses 2019 - 2020
Transportation Expense: Street Maintenance/ Regrade Roads/ Snow Removal/ Street Light/ Labor Wages/Gas & Supplies/Vehicle Expenses/ Repairs to Vehicles	\$ 1,085,557
Gen. Govt. Support Expense: Ins/Claims/Mailing/ Data Processing/ Liability Ins/Tax Grievances/Contractual Services/ Gas & Electric/Judgments/Village Clerk's Office/ Court/DPW Garage & Equipment.....	1,349,222
Economic Assistance Expense: Newsletter/ Street Fair Personnel/Printing/Postage.....	53,350
Debt Service Expense: Bond Interest/Installments/ Prior Road Projects	463,550
Culture & Recreation Expense: Parks Staff, Equipment, Supplies, Repairs/Beautification/ Cultural Programs	247,585
Interfund Transfers Expense: Accrued Liability Reserve	0
Public Safety Expense: Bldg Dept/LIRR Lease/ Code Enforcement.....	415,795
Employee Benefit Expense: SS/Health/Dental/ Vision/State Retirement/Workers Compensation....	1,656,028
Home & Community Expense: Zoning Board Staff/ Sanitation Staff/Diesel/Incineration/New Trees/ Tree Removal	1,196,886
Total Expense	\$ 6,467,973

**Village Budget
2019 - 2020 Expenses**



Summer Concerts at Memorial Park

Free Admission / Bring a chair or blanket / Enjoy great entertainment under the stars
Memorial Park is located on Lincoln Avenue between
William and Albert Streets

Wednesday, June 19

7:30 pm

John Fogerty Project

Enjoy the best of

John Fogerty

and

Creedence Clearwater Revival

Generously Sponsored by Maspeth Savings Bank



Thursday, August 15

7:00 pm

Cinderella

A beloved and classic story, with beautiful music and endearing characters that will stay in your heart forever.

Join us for a magical evening.

A Plaza Theatrical Production

***In case of inclement weather, shows will be held at the William Gill Theatre,
2nd floor at Village Hall***

1420 Jericho Turnpike, New Hyde Park

Check the Village website, e-Board, and Village Newsletter for upcoming shows.

www.vnhp.org / 516 354-0022

2019 CHILDREN'S SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM

The Village Parks and Recreation Commission is pleased to offer our extremely popular Children's Summer Recreation Program to be held at Memorial Park. Children between the ages of 6 through 12 will be treated to hours of fun and enjoyment this summer. And, the large shelter at Memorial Park provides a sun-free setting for games and entertainment.

This Program will be held Monday through Thursday for five weeks beginning on **Monday, July 8th and continuing through Thursday, August 8th.**

Children will be organized into two age specific sessions. Children ages 6 - 8 will attend the morning session from 10:00 am to 12:30 pm. Youth between the ages of 9 - 12 will attend the afternoon session from 1:30 pm to 4:00 pm. All program activities will be geared to the appropriate age groups.

The Park Field Office will be closed for lunch between the hours of 12:30 pm and 1:30 pm and there is no supervision available during that time period.

Registration will be held on the 1st floor of Village Hall on **Wednesday, June 19th from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.** Please bring a completed registration application for each child being registered, along with **proof of Village residency** (tax bill, utility bill, etc.)

A 1 inch by 1.5 inch photo of your child is required and will be used to create a photo ID card. If you have more than one child to register, application forms can be obtained at the Village Clerk's Office, on the Village website at www.vnhp.org, or on registration day.

This program is provided free of charge to Village residents. Non-village residents in the New Hyde Park 11040 zip code are eligible to participate, pending availability. The non-resident registration fee, per child, is \$125, which can be paid in cash, check or credit card.

The Village Parks and Recreation Commission is confident that this Program will provide your children with great summer activities and entertainment. We encourage you to have your children participate.

***Where else should our Village children be,
than playing in our beautiful Park.***

2019 CHILDREN'S SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM



Child's Name: _____

Child's Address: _____

Date of Birth: (Age as of July 1, 2019) _____

Child is in good health, except as listed below.

(Please describe below all allergies, drugs and medications, or any medical problems. If none, state "none"): _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Home Phone: _____ Business #: _____ Cell #: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACTS:

1. Name: _____ Daytime Telephone: _____

Relationship to Child: _____

2. Name: _____ Daytime Telephone: _____

Relationship to Child: _____

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT BEFORE SIGNING:

In the event of a medical emergency, the procedure will be to call the parent or guardian, time permitting, before taking the child to the doctor or hospital. However, when neither parent nor guardian can be reached, the following permission will help ensure prompt attention.

I hereby give my permission for the recreation program leader or designee to transport my child to and from the doctor and or hospital for emergency treatment. I hereby give permission for the recreation program leader or designee to sign any consent that may be necessary to allow hospital personnel and/or any licensed physician to examine my child and perform any emergency treatment, which may be necessary, and to consent to the administration of any drugs or medication necessary to tender such emergency care.

I hereby agree to release the Village of New Hyde Park, members of the Board of Trustees, employees, agents, volunteers, and to hold them harmless and indemnify them for demands, liabilities and causes of actions arising out of or connected to personal injury, illness, death, or property damage resulting from any cause whatsoever other than their own negligence, and for any expenses incurred in the rendering out of any care and treatment so provided.

I understand that in the event of illness, or discipline problem, when in the judgment of the recreation program leader or designee, it is in the best interest of the child to be taken home, I will assume the responsibility for providing transportation home.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Print Name: _____ Date: _____

If the program location is changed due to inclement weather, notifications will be made via e-mail. Please provide your current e-mail address: (print clearly): _____

Calendar of Events

Thurs. 5/16 Special Use Public Hearing
7:30 pm Village Hall
Board Meeting to follow

Sat. 5/25 **Memorial Day Parade**
10:00 am

Mon. 5/27 **Memorial Day Holiday**
Village Offices Closed
No Sanitation Pick Up

Mon. 6/3 Village Tax Payable

Wed. 6/5 Architectural Review Board
7:30 pm Village Hall

Wed. 6/12 Zoning Board of Appeals
7:30 pm Village Hall

Wed. 6/19 Registration Children’s Summer
Recreation Program
10 am - 2 pm Village Hall
Concert at Memorial Park
John Fogerty Project 7:30 pm

Thurs. 6/20 Village Board Meeting
8:00 pm Village Hall

Mon. 7/1 Last Day to Pay Village Tax
Without Penalty

Thurs. 7/4 **Independence Day Holiday**
Village Offices Closed
No Sanitation Pick Up

Mon. 7/8 **Children’s Summer Recreation**
Program Begins - Memorial Park

Wed. 7/10 Architectural Review Board
7:30 PM Village Hall

Wed. 7/10 Zoning Board of Appeals
7:30 pm Village Hall

Thurs. 7/18 Village Board Meeting
8:00 PM Village Hall

Wed. 8/7 Architectural Review Board
7:30 pm Village Hall

Wed. 8/14 Zoning Board of Appeals
7:30 pm Village Hall

Thurs. 8/15 Village Board Meeting
8:00 pm Village Hall

Sanitation Schedule Changes

Memorial Day

Monday, May 27

Garbage for north side **POSTPONED** and
rescheduled to Tuesday, May 28

Tuesday, May 28

Garbage collection for entire Village
Newspapers for the north side

Independence Day

Thursday, July 4

Garbage for north side and newspapers for south side
POSTPONED and rescheduled to Friday, July 5

Friday, July 5

Garbage for entire Village and newspapers for
south side

- **Garbage, newspapers, and recyclables cannot be put curbside before 7:00 pm on the day prior to pick up.**
- **DPW provides two bulk and one e-waste pickup every week, excluding holidays, on appointment basis only. Call 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 neighbor’s property.**
- **Empty trash receptacles left curbside all day are unsightly and could be a sign that the home is unattended. 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.**



New Recycle Bins Available To Purchase

Do you need a new recycle bin? If so, you can purchase one at the Department of Public Works located at Village Hall. Within days of placing your order, the Sanitation Crew will deliver the new bin to your home . There is a \$16 fee for the recycle bin, which is the cost incurred by the Village to purchase new bins. Payment can be made by cash, check, or credit card.

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

Zoning Board of Appeals:

February 13, 2019

- 1401 4th Avenue - this application was originally heard in September 2018 but a decision was tabled because the Village Board had denied the Special Use Application. The application was resubmitted for parking consideration and granted.

March 13, 2019 - Hearing cancelled. No cases on the docket.

April 10, 2019

- 402 Brown Place - an application was granted to construct additions to the first and second floor that exceed the permitted floor area and west side setback, and interior alterations.
- 1312 Broadway - an application was granted to construct a full second story directly over the existing first story, along with a 205 square foot, one story rear addition in line with the east side of the existing home.

Architectural Review Board:

February 6, 2019

- 5 South 11th Street - an application from the homeowner to enclose the open roofed front deck into an unconditioned entry foyer, add a roof above the rear terrace and re-face the house with stone veneer replacing the siding was tabled pending further review of exterior finishes.

March 6, 2019

- 5 South 11th Street - an application was granted after the architect submitted alterations to the design and materials presented at the February hearing.
- 9 South 8th Street - an application was granted to construct a 2 story addition with interior and exterior alterations and a new roof.

April 3, 2019

- 410 Terrace Blvd. - an application was granted for interior and exterior renovations.

Village Board Public Hearings:

February 5, 2019

- After holding a public hearing, the Village Board approved the adoption of local law to include changes to the Municipal Code to regulate the locations of medical marijuana dispensaries and marijuana retail stores, if the New York State Legislature legalizes recreational use of marijuana.

March 21, 2019

- The Village Board voted unanimously to approve a resolution authorizing the Village Clerk to submit the 45th year application for Community Development Block Grant Funding. The Village is requesting \$15,000 for Senior Citizen Programs; \$75,000 for Residential Rehabilitation; and \$50,000 for Urban Planning-Transit Oriented Development.
- The Village Board voted unanimously to amend Section 195 of the Village Municipal Code to clarify the boundaries of the Development Incentive Bonus Overlay District.

April 30, 2019

- A Special Use Public Hearing was held on a proposed application to construct a 4-story mixed use dwelling at 300 S. 12th Street. A decision was tabled as additional hearings are planned to gather further input from the applicant and the public.

The Annual Memorial Day Parade

Village of New Hyde Park

Saturday, May 25th

10:00 am - 11:30 am

Parade begins on Jericho Turnpike at Lakeville Road, travels east to Village Hall, and north on New Hyde Park Road to Memorial Park.

Memorial Day is a day for remembering and honoring the sacrifices of our fallen heroes who died in the service of our country.

Remember....

Honor.....

Support....

New Hyde Park Veterans

We invite all residents and merchants to participate, line the streets and sidewalks, attend the service at Memorial Park, proudly wave the American Flag, and show our Veterans the gratitude and support they so deserve.

Poppies are a symbol of loss of life and a symbol of recovery and new life.





Dog Walking Etiquette

Walking the family dog down our quiet suburban tree lined streets is one of the more relaxing times in our otherwise stressful lives. It's a great time to get a little exercise, bond with your pet and greet some of the neighbors. There are few scenes that better reflect the simple joys of suburban living.

There is of course a less pleasant task that presents itself during this serene interlude with man's best friend. The labor of love to clean up after your dog reflects the commitment to the family pet, similar to changing your baby's diaper. It's also greatly appreciated by the neighbors, here in New Hyde Park, and all Long Islanders who use the beaches and bays. Happily, the vast majority of dog owners in the Village respects their neighbors and loves their pets, yet, there are those very few who don't.

It's difficult to imagine something that is more disrespectful and inconsiderate to a neighbor than failing to perform this simple responsibility. It is baffling that anyone can be so rude or lazy to walk in front of someone else's home for the purpose of having your pet defecate in front of their property and leaving it there. Obviously, that person doesn't want the mess in front their own home or having it tracked into their home on the bottom of a shoe.

Leaving the job undone also contributes to pollution of our waterways when material is washed down the storm drains during the rain. Some folks, while fastidious about cleaning up, dispose of the effluent illegally in storm drains. The drains are not sanitary sewers that lead to a magical sewage treatment plant. The contaminated runoff from the streets leads to the aquifer that supplies our drinking water and to the bays and ocean. The proper method of disposal is to use a sealed plastic bag and deposit in your trash can. It is recommended that trash cans be cleaned out every so often in consideration of the Sanitation Crew who uncovers your trash cans every week. Once again, it's a simple matter of being considerate.

Section 80-23 of our Village code can be consulted at www.vnhp.org to provide the requirements under the law.

§ 80-23. Nuisances and removal of feces.

- A. No person owning, harboring, keeping, or in charge of any dog shall cause, suffer or allow such dog to soil, defile, defecate or urinate or commit any nuisance in or upon any public place nor on any private property without the permission of the owner of said property. The restrictions in this section shall not apply to that portion of a street lying between the curb lines, which shall be used to curb such dog under the following conditions:**
- ◆ The person who so curbs such dog must immediately remove all feces deposited by such dog in a sanitary method by placing the same in a plastic bag and depositing such bag in a container for the disposal of refuse.
 - ◆ Feces must also be removed in the manner above provided from all places stated in Subsection B below.
 - ◆ Feces shall never be deposited in sewers or drains, whether storm or sanitary.
- B. No person having the right and ability to prevent the same shall knowingly or carelessly or negligently permit any dog or other animal to commit any nuisance upon any public place or upon the floor or any hall of any apartment house which is used in common by the tenants thereof; or upon the fences of any premises or the walls or stairways of any building abutting on a public place; or upon the floor of any theater, store, factory or any structure, building or place which is used in common by the public, including all public rooms or places therewith connected; or upon the roof of any house; or upon the floor of any hall, stairway or office of any hotel or lodging house which is used in common by the guests thereof; nor shall any person omit to do any reasonable and proper act or take any reasonable and proper precaution to prevent any such dog or other animal from committing such nuisance in, on or upon any of the places or premises herein specified. The obligation to remove feces as above required shall apply if the dog deposits feces in any place mentioned herein.**

So a few helpful reminders to be a good dog owner and a respectful neighbor, operating within the law include:

- ◆ Only walk your dog within the street, from curb to curb
- ◆ Don't allow your dog to urinate or defecate anywhere but in the street
- ◆ Always clean up after your dog
- ◆ Dispose of the waste in a plastic bag in your own trash pail

The Department of Public Works has affixed medallions to many of the storm drains in New Hyde Park to remind residents that **“Only Rain Goes In The Drains.”**



It is also interesting to note that the code requires that dogs must be walked in the street. That means within the curb lines. It is actually illegal to walk your dog on the median between the sidewalk and the curb without the owner's permission. Dog owners are also responsible for preventing their animals from urinating in these areas. This will often kill the grass your neighbor is required to maintain. Once again, curbing your dog means in the street.

Please contact the Village Building Department if you notice someone who is not obeying these simple rules of law and decency. Provide their name and address and the Village will follow up with a letter to the owner, reminding them of the law and the applicable fines. A copy of the letter can be sent to the Town of North Hempstead Animal Licensing Bureau. Chronic violators may be summoned to court on the basis of a sworn complaint or observation by code enforcers. Usually, such a gentle but firm reminder will help curb the indiscretions.



Air Traffic and Noise Abatement

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. TVASNAC holds monthly public meetings at the Hempstead Town Hall. Meeting dates are listed on the Town of Hempstead website: www.hempsteadny.gov/tvasnac.

Kurt Langjahr, Director of Environment Control, is the Village representative on TVASNAC. His message to residents: Get involved and be part of the solution.

1. Show your support and interest by attending the monthly TVASNAC meetings.
2. 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 dial “311” to report noise complaints. **If you don't call, you don't count.**

Block Parties

This is the perfect time to talk with your neighbors about holding a block party this summer. What a great way to stay connected with your neighbors. If your block wants to hold a party, a block party application needs to have written consent from the majority of residents on the block and be submitted for Board approval. In order to ensure timely processing, the completed application must be submitted to the Village Clerk's Office at least one month prior to the event date. All requests must be reviewed and approved by the Village Board.

An application can be obtained on the Village website: www.vnhp.org/forms or at the Village Clerk's Office during regular business hours. Once approved, a letter which serves as your official permit, will be mailed to the event coordinator. Street barricades will be delivered by the Department of Public Works on Friday and picked up on Monday.

Please be considerate of residents who choose not to participate. And, please be aware that amplified music systems must be shut down by 10 pm on a Saturday or 9 pm on a Sunday.

Time for a Spring Clean Up

Spring is a great time to get outdoors, clean your garden, flower beds, and property. Practicing good property maintenance is not a one-time endeavor. It should be a daily, weekly, or monthly practice. We ask everyone to help beautify your street by sweeping up any debris that has accumulated along the curb line. Even though street sweeping operations are underway, there is only so much that can be accomplished with the street sweeper. Residents and business owners are asked to pitch in and keep their property clean and free of weeds and debris. Be a good neighbor, whether commercial or residential, and regularly sweep your property or store front to keep it clean.

We all benefit from each other's daily property maintenance practice.

The street sweeping schedule mirrors the leaf pick up schedule. If your block has leaf pick up on Monday, your street is scheduled for sweeping on Monday. Help the sweeper be most efficient. Please do not park your car in front of your house on the day your block is scheduled for street sweeping. If you have questions regarding street sweeping operations, please call the Department of Public Works.

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Display Your Flag with PRIDE!

All residents are encouraged to fly their American Flag every day. Let's make New Hyde Park the most patriotic Village on Long Island. Nothing says Suburbia, USA more than seeing a block full of houses proudly displaying Old Glory in the summertime. Whether you're born in the USA or new to this county, displaying the flag is a great way to show your allegiance and unity to this great land.

Village of New Hyde Park

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(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 Property Tax Bills

The 2019/2020 Village tax bills will be mailed to property owners at the end of May. Tax bills are payable beginning June 3rd and must be paid on or before July 1st to avoid a penalty. Payment can be made by mail or in person at the Village Clerk's Office, Monday through Friday, 8:45 am to 4:15 pm.

Taxes can be paid by check, cash, money order, credit card (MasterCard/VISA) or by on-line payment through www.vnhp.org. Please note that certain fees will apply if you choose credit card or on-line payment options. Please call the Village Clerk's Office if you don't receive your tax bill by early June or if you have any questions.