REGULAR MEETING September 18, 2025

PRESENT: Mayor Christopher Devane

Deputy Mayor Madhvi Nijjar

Trustee Rainer Burger Trustee Ed Quinlan Trustee Eve Sheikh

Binu Pillay, Superintendent of Building Rebecca Sheehan, Village Clerk-Treasurer Igor Sikiric, Superintendent of DPW

Peter S. Trentacoste, Attorney to the Board of Trustees

Laura Daly, Secretary to the Board of Trustees

ABSENT: Benjamin Truncale, Jr., Attorney to the Board of Trustees

Mayor Devane opened the Board Meeting at 7:00 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

He further acknowledged those that lost their lives on 9/11 and Charlie Kirk with a Moment of Silence.

COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD:

The Police Report for August 2025 was submitted by the Nassau County Police Department.

POLICE REPORT

A review of the August 2025 police report was given; 5 auto accidents; 29 total aided cases (other than auto); no robberies; 1 residential burglary (573 Lakeville Road – Arrest made); no commercial burglary; no car was stolen; 5 larceny charges (other than auto); 1 criminal mischief charge; 2 moving violations; and 16 parking violations.

License/Permit New/Renewal:

Landscaping: New - Approved

Green Forest Landscaping Corp – 21 Belmont Parkway, Hempstead, NY 11550

RESOLUTIONS:

25-30 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ABSTRACT NO. 25-08

• Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Nijjar, seconded by Trustee Sheikh, the resolution authorizing Abstract No. 25-08 was unanimously approved.

25-31 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE COURT TO APPLY FOR A JUSTICE COURT GRANT 2025-26

• Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Nijjar, seconded by Trustee Burger, the resolution authorizing the Village Court to apply for a Justice Court Grant was unanimously approved.

25-32 A RESOLUTION AMENDING SECTION 198 "SCHEDULE OF FEES AND CHARGES" OF THE VILLAGE CODE

• Upon motion by Trustee Burger, seconded by Trustee Quinlan, the resolution authorizing amending Section 198 "Schedule of Fees and Charges" of the Village Code was unanimously approved.

25-33 A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT PROPOSED LOCAL LAW 4

• Upon motion by Tr. Quinlan, seconded by Deputy Mayor Nijjar, the resolution adopting Local Law 4 was unanimously approved.

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25-34 A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT PROPOSED LOCAL LAW 5

• Upon motion by Trustee Sheikh, seconded by Trustee Burger, the resolution adopting Local Law 5 was unanimously approved.

25-35 A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT PROPOSED LOCAL LAW 6

• Upon motion by Tr. Quinlan, seconded by Deputy Mayor Nijjar, the resolution adopting Local Law 6 was unanimously approved.

25-36 A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT PROPOSED LOCAL LAW 7

• Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Nijjar, seconded by Trustee Quinlan, the resolution adopting Local Law 7 was unanimously approved.

25-37 A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT PROPOSED LOCAL LAW 8

• Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Nijjar, seconded by Trustee Sheikh, the resolution adopting Local Law 8 was unanimously approved.

25-38 A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT PROPOSED LOCAL LAW 9

• Upon motion by Trustee Quinlan, seconded by Trustee Burger, the resolution adopting Local Law 9 was unanimously approved.

25-39 A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT PROPOSED LOCAL LAW 10

• Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Nijjar, seconded by Trustee Quinlan, the resolution adopting Local Law 10 was unanimously approved.

25-40 A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT PROPOSED LOCAL LAW 11

• Upon motion by Trustee Sheikh, seconded by Trustee Burger, the resolution adopting Local Law 11 was unanimously approved.

25-41 A RESOLUTION FOR SPECIAL USE PERMIT – 36 LAKEVILLE ROAD

• Upon motion by Trustee Burger, seconded by Trustee Sheikh, the resolution authorizing special use permit - 36 Lakeville Road was unanimously approved.

25-42 A RESOLUTION DECLARING AN UNLISTED ACTION UNDER S.E.Q.R.A. WITH A NEGATIVE DECLARATION - 36 LAKEVILLE ROAD

• Upon motion by Trustee Sheikh, seconded by Trustee Burger, the resolution adopting Local Law 11 was unanimously approved.

REPORTS:

Trustee Ed Quinlan

Parks and Recreation, Little League, Tree Committee, Neighborhood Watch

Trustee Rainer Burger

Building Department, LIRR, Veterans Affairs, American Legion, Noise Abatement, Water Authorities, Scouts/Troops, Marcus Christ Hall (MCH)

Trustee Eve Sheikh

Library, Senior Programs, Schools, Business Relations, Public Information, Chamber of Commerce

Deputy Mayor Madhvi Nijjar

Beautification Committee, Cultural Committee, Board of Assessors, Clerk's Office, Community Development (CDBG), Summer Camp

Mayor Christopher Devane

Auxiliary Police, Fire Department, Nassau County Police, Facilities, Board of Appeals, Planning and ARB Board, 300 S12 St., Dept. of Public Works (DPW)/Redevelopment

<u>Department of Public Works: Igor Sikiric, Superintendent Sanitation August 2025:</u>

- 486 tons of refuse and recycling, consisting of:
 - 395 tons of MSW
 - 19 tons of commingled recyclables,
 - 13 tons of newspaper
 - 25 tons of C&D
 - 34 tons of yard waste.
- There will be no garbage collection on October 13th in observance of Columbus Day
 - There will be a double day on Tuesday, October 14th
- Bulk waste and E-waste pickups can only be scheduled by calling Village Hall. Bulk waste is collected every Monday and Friday and E-waste is collected on Wednesdays
- Cardboard must be flattened and bundled. No full boxes or boxes with garbage or Styrofoam inside will be collected.
- Do not put your cardboard out for collection with your bottles and cans, it will not be collected
- All recyclables must be properly secured with a lid on the pail or placed in a plastic bag
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Operations:

- Installation and repair of new street signs and poles due to aging and damage is on-going
 - In August there were approximately 25 signs that were repaired, replaced or relocated
- DPW Staff performed weekly maintenance and cleanup operations along Jericho Tpke, LIRR corridor, and parking lots
- Litter pickup along sidewalks, median areas, and parking lots is conducted on a weekly basis
- All vegetation maintenance is now being conducted on a weekly basis
- We are continuing with our summer maintenance and clean-up operations
- Street sweeping operations are performed daily and will continue to take place throughout the Fall

Routine Tree Maintenance:

- Routine tree maintenance requests and tree preventative maintenance procedures are on-going and will continue as needed.
 - DPW conducted 15 tree trim and 2 removals in August
 - If you have any questions, please use the MYVNHP App or call Village Hall
 - We have already scheduled our planting schedule for the fall and we are currently taking requests for the fall of 2026.
 - During the month of August, DPW received and staff responded to approximately 35 service requested that were received via the MyVNHP App or phone calls to Village Hall
 - The majority of the calls this month were regarding trees.
 - Pothole repaired were conducted several times in August
 - o Approximately 30 potholes and road repairs were conducted
 - o DPW will be out performing repairs on an as needed basis through the Fall

DPW Renovation Update (15 months into the project):

If you've driven past the property, you'll see that the construction trailer that DPW used as an office has been removed and work on the roadway within the yard and parking lot have begun

- The New Truck Garage:
 - The garage is now complete; the garage doors have been installed along with all the electric, plumbing, heating, siding and new signage.
- New Salt Shed:
 - The salt shed is mostly complete with only the asphalt left to install
- New Recyclables Transfer Area and other Concrete Pads:
 - The concreate pads that will be used for dumpster storage and material handling procedures have been poured
 - The concreate pads at the new garage have been poured as well.
- Existing Garage Renovation:
 - The renovation at our existing garage is just about complete
 - The building has been updated with new electric, new heating, new bathroom, new garage doors, and roof.
 - The only item remaining is to complete the exterior painting
- New Office:
 - The new office area for DPW is complete and DPW staff has begun to move into the new office.
- Site Work:
 - This is the last piece of completing the project which started several weeks ago
 - New walkways, curbs, fencing, planting beds, and concrete ramps have been installed
 - As mentioned previously, the last item remaining for the site work is the asphalt paving
 - The project is moving along well; we have had several delays due to rain and the weather
 - It is anticipated that the majority of the work should be completed by the end of September and the hope is that the new DPW is up and running sometime within the next 2 -3 weeks

S.12th Street Parking Lots and Park:

- The new parking lot located at 300 S. 12th Street is now open
- The second new parking lot located off S. 11th Street is now open
- The third and last step will be the construction of the new park which began several weeks ago.
 - Currently the base layers for the new pickleball courts and dog park have been put in place
 - The children's playground has been installed and the new bathrooms have been constructed
 - We anticipate the park should be mostly completed by the end of October

Building Department: Binu Pillay, Superintendent:

ZBA

- The last scheduled meeting of the Zoning Board and Appeals was on September 10th; 4 cases were heard; 1 for a dormer extension which was adjourned; 1 for a dormer with a new porch and a new side portico which was approved; 1 to demolish a garage and reconstruct it; and 1 to relocate existing A/C condensers which were approved.
- The next meeting is scheduled for October 8th with 4 cases to be heard: 2 for dormer extensions; 1 for a front portico; and 1 for conversion of an existing building for apartments.

<u>ARB</u>

• The last meeting of the Architectural Review Board was scheduled for August 27, 2025 but no applications were submitted.

• The next meeting is scheduled for September 24, 2025 with 5 cases to be heard, 1 to change color siding, 1 for an open porch, 1 for a dormer and 2 for commercial signs.

VILLAGE COURT

- The last Village Court was held on September 17th, with 62 cases, which comprise of 10- Garbage out before 7pm, 17 property maintenance, 18- working without a permit, 7- renting without registration, 4— car obstructing the sidewalk, 6 violation of agreement.
- The next village court will be held on October 15th with 41 cases, which comprise 19 Garbage out before 7pm, 9 property maintenance, 2 working without permit, 2 renting without registration, 8 car obstructing the sidewalk, 1– violation of agreement.

RENTAL REGISTRATION

• Rental registration is in process and inspections are being conducted accordingly.

SPECIAL USE

- There was no special uses cases heard last month and there is 1 Special Use application being heard tonight
- During the period from August 21st to today, the building department issued 52 permits, 10- building permits, 12- plumbing permits, 5- roof, 5- fence, 3- street opening, 12 driveway, 2 solar, 3- HVAC
- There were also 13- Certificates of Approval, 19- Certificates of Completion, 1- Rental Registration Certificate, 2 Special Use renewal and 2 Close Expires Permits.

Clerk's Report - Rebecca Sheehan, Clerk-Treasurer:

Financial Highlights:

| Village of New Hyde Park Clerk's Department Report - August 2025 | | |
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| Revenue | Description | 8/31/2025 |
| LICENSES | CARTING, PLUMBING, RESTAURANT, TAXI | \$82.75 |
| BUILDING | STREET OPENINGS, PLAN, LATE FILING, SRF | \$25,950.15 |
| ZONING | SPECIAL USE/EXCEPTION, HEARINGS | \$2,800.00 |
| Revenue | Description | 8/31/2025 |
| COURT FINES | TRAFFIC COURT FINES | \$61,210.00 |
| | BUILDING COURT FINES | \$7,400.00 |

Clerk \$110,215.00 Court \$68,610.00

Total Revenue \$178,825.00

Total Taxes \$5,169,702.16

- August 2025 Building Department fees are \$28,832.90
- Tax Revenue from 6/1/25 8/31/25 was slightly over \$5.1MM including arrears
- We've successfully received reimbursements from NYS for Grants on the DPW and 300 S12th Street projects
- We are finalizing our Grant Disbursement Agreement with NYS on Marcus Christ Hall and we will begin submitting for reimbursement on that project with both the County and NYS

Trustee Ed Quinlan:

New Hyde Park Little League

• The first session for approximately 20 T-Ballers was held on September 13th - their season will run through the first week of November.

Memorial Park:

- On September 5th, a large crowd came to our park at 7 PM, to see the "Back to School Night" movie entitled "Lilo and Stitch 2025"
 - Refreshments were distributed by Trustee Sheikh
 - A special "Thank you" to Deputy Mayor Nijjar for organizing this well received event
- On September 13th, a basketball clinic was conducted for girls and boys ages 8 thru 12 by Mr. Allen Lew
- On October 25th, "The Halloween Fall Festival" will take place at 10:00ammwith a rain date of October 26th
- Thanks to Igor, a damaged piece of equipment and some graffiti along with a broken umbrella in the kid's playground have been addressed.
 - He is also having a new sign made for one of the basketball courts listing the rules.
- We have received two new requests for the use of park space for the Spring of 2026:
 - The Notre Dame School is looking to begin a Lacross Program
 - o The director is Mr. Joseph Panico.
 - Another request is to use the turf field for thirty senior men's softball games at 10:00am on Tuesday's and Thursdays from the 2nd week of Aprill thru the beginning of September
 - o The director is Anthony Percullo.
 - Both requests are under consideration
- We recently hired a new park attendant, Kevin Kim, who has gotten off to a very nice start
- Due to the days getting shorter, the park hours are now 8:00am to 6:30pm
- The construction of our new park on South 12th Street is continuing a has an estimated completion date near the end of October

S 12th Street Park

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Trustee Rainer Burger:

LIRR Track Work

• No Track work planned as far as the Village is aware

Water Authority

- Station 57 (NHP) project work is now completed
- Station 40 (NHP)
 - Work has been delayed due to the General Contractor's subcontractor improper installation of the
 metal panels to the treatment building the panels were already installed had to be remove and
 installed according to plans
 - The old emergency generator has been completely disconnected and removed from the site
 - The clear-well has gone through a thorough sandblasting and follow up pressure washing recoating and sealing of joints is a slow process which will begin this week
- Station 44 (Elmont)
 - The existing Air Stripper has been inspected with minimal suggested repair work
 - Well pumps are now installed for Wells 44A and 44B

- All but one of the Motor Control Center Units have been received and are currently installed by the electrical contractor
- Tank 20 Rehabilitation (Elmont)
 - A punch list is being prepared and we have filed for Completed Works approval to the Department of Health to put the tank back into service
 - o No response has been received.
- ISO Hydrant Flow Tests Villages of New Hyde Park, Floral Park and Bellrose
 - We received comprehensive flow test requests from the ISO for the fire districts insurance ratings
 - These tests stress the system more than typical tests and often times result in discolored water events
 - These tests have been performed over the last 2 weeks and expect to be completed by the end of next week
 - Staff will continue to flush hydrants in the areas to clear up discolored water
- On September 15th the Water Authority opened hydrants between 8:00am 2:00pm in the following areas:
 - NHP Road & Plaza Avenue
 - 5th Avenue & 14th Street
 - 112 S. 2nd Street
 - S 10th Street & Jericho Turnpike
 - 710 New Hyde Park Road

Noise Abatement

- The last TVASNAC meeting was held on August 25, 2025
- No update for this month other than what was mentioned at the August Board Meeting
- The board asked the Supervisor of the Town of Hempstead, John Feretti, and the Supervisor of the Town of North Hempstead, Jen Desana, are to write a letter to the FAA to encourage them to look at the overuse of Runway 22L
 - Runway 22L is the arrival to JFK and in the month of July there were over 13,000 flights over our Community
 - These aircrafts emit harmful levels of noise and dangerous amounts of toxic air emission
 - Overall, these flights make up to over 70% of arrivals into JFK and the letter will also include to try and limit the same route and hours of use over our community
- TVASNAC has learned that Congresswoman Laura Gillen from the 4th Congressional District is requesting a meeting to discuss Air Traffic problems with the new FAA Administrator
 - Laura Gillen is also a member of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee
- The FAA is supposed to give TVASNAC an answer in September about the pending lawsuit on the Article 78 which we are challenging them make the raw data available on the noise monitors throughout the community.
- The next meeting of TVASNAC will be held on Monday, September 22 at 7:00 pm at Hempstead Town Hall
 - Residents are also urged to file on-line noise complaints at www.hempsteadny.gov/TVASNAC. Or for Hempstead residents to call 1-800-225-1071, North Hempstead residents dial 311

Veterans Affairs/American Legion Post 1089

- There were no meetings for July and August
- A Post meeting was held on September 13th and the meeting focused on upcoming events including:
 - September 20th New Hyde Park Street Fair
 - September 20th Heroes Wall Celebration at Eisenhower
 - October 19th Post Birthday Luncheon at Gino's New Hyde Park

- November 9th UVO Veterans Day Ceremony, 10:00 am at Eisenhower Park
- November 11th Veterans Day Ceremony
- November 16th Pancake Breakfast, Applebee's New Hyde Park
- November 25th Veterans Stand Down
- Legion is excited about the Street Fair and will have its usual table selling flags, hats, and tote bags
- The Legion is also reaching out to Scouts and New Hyde Park Memorial High School on scholarships
- The Legion attended a Program Scouting event at Kellenberg Memorial High School on September 15th to discuss with Troops Eagle Scout Scholarship
- The Legions members are dwindling and they are looking for new members; please contact Rainer Burger at 516-510-5897 for post information and membership.
- The next meeting is October 11, 2025.

Scouting

- There was a Scouting Program Meeting at Kellenberg on September 15th to discuss Eagle Scout Scholarships
- Life Scout Alec Nunez has his Eagle Board of Review on September 18th and Life Scout Milo Liao has his Eagle Board of Review on September 24th; we wish both well

Marcus Christ

- Construction on Marcus Christ is well underway
 - Steel Construction complete and walls are going up
 - Overall, we are looking at the completion of Construction in March 2026.
 - I want to thank Binu who has been doing an excellent job in managing the construction and keeping the board informed of progress and any decisions that needed to be made

Trustee Eve Sheikh:

Senior Programs Upcoming Events:

- Senior programs returned!
 - Friday, September 12th, Senior's enjoyed Bagels and games we were very happy to see everyone!
 - Seniors can now come early to the events, starting at 10:30am
 - We will continue the events through the summer starting next year.
- Our upcoming Senior programs are:
 - Friday, September 26th at 11am: Plants Talk with Paul the Plant Guy
 - Friday, October 3rd at 11:00 The veery famous Chef Rob returns!
 - o Cannot wait for his cooking skills and tips.
 - Friday, October 24th at 11am The Seniors will make a Holiday Craft.

Our Senior Programs are free and registration is required; please email Seniorprograms@villagenhpny.gov.

Hillside Public Library Upcoming Events:

- September 19th at 10:00am 1:45pm Saint Francis Hospital Mobile Health Outreach Bus
- The bus offers free flu shots and in-person health screenings
 - The screenings include a brief cardiac history, blood pressure check, and a simple blood test for cholesterol
 - Diabetes screenings are also available along with patient education and referrals for clients over 18
 - No appointment are necessary first come, first served
- Tuesday, September 30th from 7pm to 8pm Newsday Forum: Dangerous Road

- On Long Island, an average of every 7 minutes, a traffic crash results in death, injury or significant
 property damage. Join Newsday TV's Shari Einhorn, Newsday editors, and reporters to discuss how
 to enhance driver and pedestrian safety
- Share your concerns, questions, and comments.
- Wednesday, October 8th from 1pm to 3pm Nassau County Office for the Aging and Nassau County Senior ID's
 - The Nassau County Office for the Aging will present a 30minute session detailing the diverse services they offer to Nassau County residents aged 60 and above.
 - Following the presentation, Seniors will have the chance to sign up for and receive senior ID's valid in Nassau County
- Friday, October 10th at 1:00pm Movie showing "Karate Kid: Legends"
- Wednesday, October 15th from 6:00pm to 7:30pm Property Tax Assessment Seminar
 - Mary Jo Collins, Receiver of Taxes for the Town of North Hempstead, will speak about property tax exemptions and other services available through her office
 - The Receiver will provide information pamphlets, application forms and answer your questions
 - Reservations are not required but are recommended as seating may be limited.

More information about other interesting events or programs can be found on the library's website: hillsidelibrary.info **New Hyde Park Road School:**

- First day of school was September 2nd Students and teachers welcomed everyone back
- Mrs. Connolly, the principle, told me it's been a great start to the school year. The school wanted to share the following:
 - If anyone wants to join the PTA, the link is on the Mustang News.
 - THE YMCA of Glen Cove is offering before and after school programs, Prices and details link can be found on the Mustang News.
 - Board of Education meeting will be October 6th at 8:00pm at Manor Oaks.

Please follow our Instagram Account under VillageofNHP for special notices and events!

Deputy Mayor Madhvi Nijjar:

Fall is a busy time for us.

Clerk's Office:

- The fiscal year ended in May and the Clerk's office closed the books for the year on 8/31/2025
 - The office did a great job, and I would like to acknowledge all the hard work that goes into it
 - The office will now start preparing for the audit
- The Village auditors, Nawrocki Smith, have notified us that they are scheduled to begin the audit at the end of October

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG):

- Under the CDBG we receive different grants, i.e. Senior Programs, ADA, and Residential Rehab
 - We are happy to share that one of our residents applied, was approved for the residential rehab and was able to get the much-needed home improvements through the Residential Rehab
 - We still have funds available, please contact our office for further information.
- We applied for a 51st Year Grant application back in March 2025
 - We expect to get a response in the next few weeks whether we were granted funding and for which programs (Senior Program/ADA/Residential Rehab)

 Receiving these funds are essential to run our Senior programming, ADA compliance updates, and Residential Rehab programs for our community.

Justice Court Assistance Program (JCAP) Grant:

- Under the JCAP we have spent the remaining funds by purchasing a list of approved items
- The next round of Grants will be applied for in October

Children's Summer Recreation Program:

• Our camp had another successful year and we thank our camp staff for doing such a fantastic job.

Culture Committee Events:

- Since our last meeting we had our Back-to School Movie Night on Friday September 5th
 - It was well received; the kids and families enjoyed it

Street Fair:

• We have our Street Fair on Saturday, September 20th and the Mayor will elaborate more.

Upcoming Fall Events:

- Upcoming events in the fall are:
 - Columbus Day Parade Sunday, October 12th
 - Diwali Friday, October 17th
 - Halloween/Fall Festival Saturday October 25th
 - Veterans Day Ceremony Tuesday, November 11th
 - Tree Lighting Saturday, November 29th
- Please come and be a part of our Community Events
 - As a reminder, our events are open to all and free to attend

Mayor Christopher Devane:

- Mayor Devane gave a re-cap of the residents of New Hyde Park who lost their lives on 9/11, including a moment of silence. This is what brings our community together.
- He recognized that this is Pediatric Cancer Month which we celebrated with a Tree Lighting on September 4th
 and planted a tree
 - The tree will be lit in gold for the entire month of September
 - Children are the gold and that's why we call it the Tree of Gold.
- There are great events coming to the Village:
 - Street Fair on September 20th; Jericho Turnpike will close from 6am to 6pm.
 - The new Community Center will be opening early next year
 - You can see the progress being made.
 - The Facility will not be used for private events; it will host events to bring the community together, for example, American Legion Meetings; Seminars; flu shots etc.
- A new DPW facility is opening
- A new park will be opening soon.

Miscellaneous Village Concerns

- Members of the community are mentioning that there are few garbage cans along Jericho Turnpike.
 - This is to discourage the residents living in the apartments over the stores from using them.
- There were a few Tax issues this year with residents not receiving their tax bills
 - Unfortunately, the village is unable to waive any late fees, as this is a State law.

• Mayor Devane and Clerk-Treasurer Rebecca Sheehan have requested a meeting with the NHP post office to discuss this situation.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:44 PM and a motion was made by Deputy Mayor Nijjar, seconded by Tr. Burger, and unanimously approved, to go to an Executive Session. The Executive Session ended at 9:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Laura Daly

Secretary to the Board