REGULAR MEETING October 16, 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.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION:

Mayor Devane then presented each of the 11 members of the NHP Little League Girls Under 10 District 29 Champion Team Certificates in recognition of their outstanding ability, teamwork and camaraderie.

COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD:

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

POLICE REPORT

A review of the September 2025 police report was given; 6 auto accidents; 36 total aided cases (other than auto); no robberies; no residential burglary; 1 commercial burglary (9/30/25 - 1990 Jericho Turnpike); 1 car was stolen; 4 larceny charges (other than auto); 2 criminal mischief charges; 7 moving violations; and 11 parking violations.

Christmas Tree Fundraiser - Approved:

The Lions Club of New Hyde Park requests the use of the Central Boulevard Parking Lot for the Club's Annual Christmas Tree Fundraiser. The timeframe is Friday, November 28, 2025 through Sunday December 21, 2025. The hours of operation will be Monday through Friday 3:30pm - 8:00pm. and 9:00am - 8:00pm on Saturday and Sunday.

Block Party - All Approved:

Mr. Rushang Parikh and Reema Shah have requested to hold a Block Party on Saturday, November 8, 2025 from 9:00am to 10:30am. The Block Party location is South 2nd Street between Jericho Tpke and 1st Avenue. No rain-date has been chosen.

Mr. Sunil Sachdev has requested to hold a Block Party on Friday, October 31, 2025 from 6:00pm to 10:00pm. The Block Party location is 6th Avenue between 8th Street and 9th Street. No rain-date has been chosen.

Lower Level of Village Hall - Approved:

The leadership of Cub Scout Pack 544 has requested the use of Village Hall's lower level to conduct a meeting on Friday, October 24, 2025.

RESOLUTIONS:

25-48 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ABSTRACT NO. 25-10

• Upon motion by Trustee Burger, seconded by Trustee Sheikh, the resolution authorizing Abstract No. 25-10 was unanimously approved.

25-49 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF TWO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYEES FROM SEASONAL STATUS TO PART TIME STATUS

• Upon motion by Trustee Sheikh, seconded by Trustee Quinlan, the resolution authorizing the transfer of two Department of Public Works Employees from Seasonal Status to Part Time Status was unanimously approved.

25-50 AUTHORIZE STANDARD WORK DAY AND REPORTING AND RESOLUTION FOR ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS FOR NYSLRS REVISED 10-16-2025

 Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Nijjar, seconded by Trustee Sheikh, the resolution authorizing a Standard Work Day and Reporting and Resolution for Elected and Appointed Officials for NYSLRS Revised 10-16-2025 was unanimously approved.

25-51 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT - LONG ISLAND TREE & LANDSCAPE SERVICE INC.

• Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Nijjar, seconded by Trustee Burger, the resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Long Island Tree & Landscape Service Inc. was unanimously approved.

25-52 A RESOLUTION FOR SPECIAL USE PERMIT – 914 THIRD AVENUE

• Upon motion by Trustee Sheikh, seconded by Deputy Mayor Nijjar, the resolution for a Special Use Permit - 914 Third Avenue was unanimously tabled.

25-53 A RESOLUTION FOR SPECIAL USE PERMIT – 1006 THIRD AVENUE

• Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Nijjar, seconded by Trustee Quinlan, the resolution authorizing a Special Use Permit – 1006 Jericho Turnpike was unanimously approved.

25-54 A RESOLUTION DECLARING AN UNLISTED ACTION UNDER S.E.Q.R.A. WITH A NEGATIVE DECLARATION – 1006 JERICHO TURNPIKE

• Upon motion by Trustee Sheikh, seconded by Deputy Mayor Nijjar, the resolution declaring an unlisted action under S.E.Q.R.A. with a negative declaration – 1006 Jericho Turnpike was unanimously approved.

25-55 A RESOLUTION FOR SPECIAL USE PERMIT - 1300 JERICHO TURNPIKE

• Upon motion by Trustee Burger, seconded by Trustee Quinlan, the resolution authorizing a Special Use Permit – 1300 Jericho Turnpike was unanimously tabled.

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</u> Sanitation September 2025:

- 529 tons of refuse and recycling, consisting of:
 - 456 tons of MSW
 - 20 tons of commingled recyclables,
 - 9 tons of newspaper
 - 11 tons of C&D
 - 33 tons of yard waste
- There will be no garbage collection on November 4th in observance of Election Day and no garbage collection on November 11th in observance of Veterans Day
 - There will be a double day on Wednesday, November 5th and Wednesday, November 12th
- 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

Operations:

- Installation and repair of new street signs and poles due to aging and damage is on-going
 - In September there were approximately 30 signs 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 and will continue as needed into the Fall
- Street sweeping operations are performed daily and will continue to take place throughout the Fall
- Road side leaf collection will begin on Monday November 3rd and continue as needed thru Friday December 12th
 - Road side leaf collection is strictly for loose leaves; do not put branches within leaf piles
 - In the meantime, if you have leaves that you want to dispose of, bag them and put them out for collection on Wednesdays

Routine Tree Maintenance:

- Routine tree maintenance requests and tree preventative maintenance procedures are on-going and will continue as needed.
 - DPW conducted 25 tree trim and 4 removals in September
 - If you have any questions or concerns regarding the tree in front of your house or would like to request a new tree, please use the MyVNHP App or call Village Hall
 - We have already scheduled our 2025 Fall planting schedule and planting should begin on 10/20/25
 - We are currently taking requests for the Fall of 2026
 - During the month of September, DPW received and staff responded to approximately 25 service requested that were received via the MyVNHP App or phone calls to Village Hall
 - o The majority of the calls this month were regarding trees

- Pothole repairs were conducted several times in September
 - Approximately 35 potholes and road repairs were conducted
 - DPW will be out performing repairs on an as needed basis through the Fall

DPW Renovation Update (15 months into the project):

DPW staff has moved into our new office and has begun moving equipment and trucks back on-site.

- The New Truck Garage:
 - The new truck garage is complete the garage doors have been installed along with all the electric, plumbing, and heating, siding, and new signage
- New Salt Shed:
 - The salt shed is complete
- New Recyclables Transfer Area and other Concrete Pads:
 - The concrete pads that will be used for dumpster storage and material handling procedures have been poured the concrete pads at the new garage have been poured as well
- Existing Garage Renovation:
 - The renovation at our existing garage is complete the building has been updated with new electric, new heating, new bathroom, new garage doors, and roof
- New Office:
 - The new office area for DPW is complete and DPW staff has begun to move into the new office
- Site Work:
 - All site work including fencing, planting areas, and asphalt roadways is complete there are a several planting areas that need to be graded
 - The project is wrapping up and the contractor has been given a punch list with the last few remaining items to complete or repair it appears that we should be fully on-site and back to operating from one location by the beginning of November

S.12th Street Parking Lots and Park:

- Both the new parking lot located at 300 S 12th Street and the new parking lot located off S 11th Street are now open
- The third and last step in this project will be the construction of the new park which began about 2 months ago and is expected to be completed by November
 - The new pickleball courts are close to being complete and the dog park base layer and fence posts have been installed
 - The children's playground has been installed and the new bathrooms have been constructed
 - The contractor is currently working on concrete, the new gazebo, planting areas, and fencing.

Building Department: Binu Pillay, Superintendent:

ZBA

- The last scheduled meeting of the Zoning Board and Appeals was on October 8th with 4 cases were heard; 2 for a dormer extension; 1 for a front portico; and 1 for the conversion of an existing building for apartments. All were approved except for one of the dormer extensions which was adjourned due to the need for new drawings.
- The next meeting is scheduled for November 12th with 4 cases to be heard: 2 for dormer extensions; 1 for a front portico; and 1 for a conversion of an existing building to a fencing company.

<u>ARB</u>

• The last meeting of the Architectural Review Board was scheduled for September 24, 2025 with 5 cases heard; 1 to change siding color; 1 for an open porch; 1 for a dormer; and 2 for commercial signs which were approved.

• The next meeting is scheduled for October 22, 2025 with 4 cases to be heard; 2 to change siding color; 1 for an open porch; and 1 for conversion of an existing building into apartments.

VILLAGE COURT

- The last Village Court was held on October 15th, with 50 cases, which comprised of 20- garbage out before 7pm, 12- property maintenance, 5- working without a permit, 3- renting without registration, 9- car obstructing the sidewalk, 1- dumping on the street.
- The next village court will be held on November 12th with 34 cases, which comprise 15– garbage out before 7pm, 3- property maintenance, 3- working without permit, 3– car obstructing the sidewalk, 10– violation of agreement.

RENTAL REGISTRATION

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

SPECIAL USE

- There was 1 special use case heard last month which was approved and there are 3 Special Use applications that were heard tonight.
- During the period from September 18th thru October 16, the Building Department issued 38 permits, 12-building permits, 7– plumbing permits, 2- roof, 3- fence, 3- street opening, 7– driveway, 3 solar, 1- HVAC
- There were also 6- Certificates of Approval, 20- Certificates of Completion, 1- Rental Registration Certificate, and 2 Special Use renewals

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

Financial Highlights:

Village of New Hyde Park Clerk's Department Report - September 2025		
Revenue	Description	9/30/2025
LICENSES	CARTING, PLUMBING, RESTAURANT, TAXI	\$75.50
BUILDING	STREET OPENINGS, PLAN, LATE FILING, SRF	\$24,546.34
ZONING	SPECIAL USE/EXCEPTION, HEARINGS	\$3,375.00
Revenue	Description	
COURT FINES	TRAFFIC COURT FINES	\$66,430.00
	BUILDING COURT FINES	\$33,400.00

Total Revenue \$213,898.78

Sep YTD

Taxes \$5,417,895.07

Int & Penaities \$36,349.99

Total \$5,381,545.08

NEW BUSINESS:

- The Village Hall will be a Voting Location on Tuesday, November 4th
 - If you're unsure of your voting location, contact the Nassau County Board of Elections or New York State Board of Elections

Trustee Ed Quinlan:

New Hyde Park Little League

- Twenty T-Ballers will continue their season through the first week of November
- Provisions will be made to display the Championship banners that were won by the 2025 girls' softball and boys' baseball all-star teams, prior to the beginning of the 2026 Spring seasons.

Memorial Park:

- Saturday, October 25th- "The Halloween Fall Festival" will take place at 10am
 - Participants will gather at Lakeville Road and Jericho Turnpike at 9:30 and proceed to Memorial Park
 - The rain date for this event is October 26th
- We received two requests to use Memorial Park in the Spring of 2026 and are currently under consideration:
 - Mr. Joseph Panico, the Director of the Lacrosse program at the Notre Dame School, is looking to begin a lacrosse program
 - Another request is from Mr. Anthony Perullo, who wants to use the turf field for thirty Senior Men's softball games at 10am on Tuesdays and Thursdays commencing the second week of April and ending the beginning of September
- We now have two new trash receptacles near the kiddie playground that have push open tops
 - Hopefully the dog walkers that have been tossing their doggie poop bags over the fence will discontinue this bizarre, unacceptable, and illegal behavior since they no longer have an open top trash can to aim for
- DPW will be assisting the Park with the following tasks as soon as there are available time and manpower:
 - Remove divots that are growing through the turf field surface
 - Power washing sections of the cement walkway that are accumulating moss from the trees creating a slippery surface when wet
 - Providing two new "DO NOT THROW DOGGIE POOP BAGS OVER THE FENCE" signs that will be placed near the two new receptacles near the kiddie playground and emphasize a fine of \$250
 - Removing a nest that the birds have built under the gazebo in the kiddie playground
 - Removing the fence covering inside the tennis courts and dog park
 - Trimming the branches that are currently hanging over the fence on one of the basketball courts
 - All Park personnel are grateful to DPW for their help maintaining our beautiful Park
- Due to the days continuing to get shorter the Park hours are now 8am thru 6pm

S 12th Street Park

• The construction of our new park is continuing and has an estimated completion date near the end of October

Trustee Rainer Burger:

LIRR Track Work

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

Water Authority

- Station 40 (NHP)
 - The General Contractor is nearly done with the metal panels to the new treatment building
 - Rehabilitation of the clearwell is complete
 - New Generator pad has been poured as well as new electrical transformer pads
 - Well casings are being scrubbed followed by camera review.
- Station 44 (Elmont)

- The blow off sump is not complete however we are able to start moving water to it and start running tests
- We are awaiting a new gas line installation to the site for a new generator
- Station 28 (Elmont) 15 GAC Treatment at 4 sites
 - Design of permanent GAC treatment building is approximately 90% complete
- Tank 20 Rehabilitation (Elmont)
 - Trying to determine the progress of punch list items
 - Tank is in service at this time
- Station 15 GAC Treatment at 4 sites
 - Design is 90% complete
 - Staff has begun review of first draft plans and specs
- Master Plan 2026 is approximately 40% complete

Noise Abatement

- The last TVASNAC meeting was held on September 15, 2025
- There has not been any update this month
- 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 was supposed to respond to TVASNAC in September regarding the pending lawsuit on the Article 78, which we are challenging them to make the noise monitor raw data throughout our community available
 - Not sure of the status
- The Helicopter traffic was out of control during the Ryder Cup
 - Villagers need to log their complaints
- The next meeting of TVASNAC will be held on Monday, October 20 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, call 1-800-225-1071, North Hempstead residents dial 311

Veterans Affairs/American Legion Post 1089

- The Legion would like to thank the Community for their support during the Sept 20th Street Fair
 - It was a great day!
- A Post meeting was held on October 11, 2025 and the meeting focused on upcoming events including:
 - October. 19, 2025 Post Birthday Luncheon at Gino's of NHP].
 - October 25, 2025 Legislative Breakfast, Massapequa Post
 - November 7, 2025 Road School Veterans Day Assembly
 - November 9, 2025 UVO Veterans Day Ceremony, 10am Eisenhower Park
 - November 11, 2025 Veterans Day Ceremony, 10:45am Village Hall
 - November 16, 2025 Pancake Breakfast, Applebees NHP, 8am-10am
 - November 25, 2025 Veterans Stand Down
- Legion is also reaching out to Scouts and NHP Memorial High School regarding scholarships
- Legion members are dwindling, and we are looking for New Members; please contact Rainer Burger at 516-510-5897 for Post Information and membership.
- Next Meeting is November 8, 2025 focusing on our upcoming Veteran Day Ceremony and Pancake Breakfast

Scouting

The Board would like to congratulate Eagle Scout Alec Nunez and Milo Liao on obtaining the rank of Eagle

• Alec obtained the rank of Eagle on September 18th and Milo on September 24th

Marcus Christ

- Construction on Marcus Christ is well underway
 - The walls are going up and final steel construction on the back of the building is beginning
 - The Board met with the Architect last week and we picked out carpet, bathroom flooring and tiles
 - Overall, we are looking at the completion of Construction in March/April 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 Events:

- Friday, September 26th we had Plants Talk with Paul the Plant Guy!
 - Seniors loved his plant advice and especially when he raffled the plants to them!
 - Some Seniors still have the same plants that he raffled last time!
- Friday, October 3rd the very famous Chef Rob returned!
 - He made angle hair pancakes with baby spinach and for dessert he shared the recipe of Pumpkin Snickerdoodles!
 - We also celebrated a Birthday after the event! Happy 100th Birthday to Lillian!
 - O She was so happy to share her birthday with us!
 - O Seniors asked what's her secret, and she said God! Let's all keep faith in God in our lives!

Senior Programs Upcoming Events:

- Friday, October 24th, the Seniors will make a Holiday Craft!
- Tuesday, November 25th at 11am We will be hosting our Thanksgiving Luncheon!
 - They are really looking forward to it and enjoy it every year!

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

Hillside Public Library Upcoming Events:

- Tuesday, October 21st at 6:30pm the Library Board of Trustees Meeting
- Thursday, October 23rd from 4:00pm 6:00pm Spooky & Frightful Just Crafting Around!
 - The event is for all ages with Parent/Caregiver (while supplies last!)
 - Celebrate Halloween by stopping in the Children's Room and create a spooky craft with your loved ones!
 - No registration required.
- Tuesday, October 28th from 5:30pm 6:30pm Spooky Stories to Tickle & Tingle Your Spine!
 - The event is for all ages with Parent /Caregiver
 - Multi-talented storyteller and puppeteer, Lu Adams will share a collection of not-too-scary stories of tricksters, pumpkins, and ghosts followed by a Halloween Spooky Snack!
 - Registrations began October 13th for HPL cardholders and October 16th for all other cardholders.
- Friday, November 7th at 1pm Movie showing "Mission Impossible Final Reckoning"
- Thursday, November 13th from 6pm 7:30pm Town of Hempstead in partnership with Northwell Health-NARCAN Training for adults
 - Attendees will learn how to identify an overdose victim, administer the Narcan Kit, and contact emergency officials
 - Attendees will obtain a Narcan certificate and a Narcan Kit

• Saturday, November 15th, 10:00am - 1:45pm and Sunday, November 16th, 12:00pm - 3:45pm - the Library's Fall Book Sale! Don't miss it!

More information and registration for other interesting events or programs can be found on the library's website: hillsidelibrary.info

New Hyde Park Road School:

• We would like to thank the Students in NHP Road School Band for performing at our Columbus Day Ceremony downstairs - They did a fantastic job!

Other Events:

- We are very excited for our upcoming events
 - Diwali which the Deputy Mayor review
 - The Halloween/Fall Festival, Saturday, October 25th! It's going to be Spooktacular!!
 - o Line up in Lakeville Road parking lot at 9:30am
 - Parade will start at 10:00am and proceed East on Jericho Turnpike, left on Central Blvd to Memorial Park!
 - o Get your costumes ready!!
- The NHP Road School PTA is having a clothing drive on Saturday, October 18th from 9am-12pm
 - The location will NHP Road School parking lot located off Terrace Ave
- Next Board of Education meeting is November 3rd at 8pm at Manor Oaks

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

Deputy Mayor Madhvi Nijjar:

As reported last month, Fall is a busy time at the Village!

Clerk's Office:

- The office is preparing for Fiscal Yeat 2024-2025 audit
 - The auditors, Nawrocki and Smith, are scheduled to begin approximately, on October 27th
- The Clerk's office sent out a second mailing of delinquent tax notices on October 10
 - Village Clerk-Treasurer, Rebecca Sheehan was commended for her work managing grants as well as the daily operations in the Clerk's office

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG):

- We have received a significant reimbursement for previously spent funds thanks to Rebecca's hard work
 - As a reminder, the Village needs to spend their own monies first, and then submit for reimbursement at a later time.
- Residential Rehab we still have some funds remaining that we would like our residents to benefit from

Justice Court Assistance Program (JCAP) Grant:

- The Court Clerk submitted the JCAP Grant application for the following year
 - The grant purpose is to improve court records and the phone systems
 - We expect to hear back in a few months; if approved, we would be reimbursed for expenses in March

Culture Committee Events:

- Since our last meeting we had our Columbus Day Event
 - Due to weather conditions, we made some adjustments but all in all it was a great event

Upcoming Fall Events:

- Diwali Festival of Lights Friday, October 17th @ 5pm Village Hall upstairs
 - There is an essay contest with submissions form students in our local elementary schools.
 - There will be cultural performances and more

Village of New Hyde Park

Regular Meeting October 16, 2025

- Come join us and learn about the festival that your neighbors maybe celebrating
- Halloween/Fall Festival -Saturday, October 25th Parade @ 10:00am Fall Festival @ Memorial Park
 - The Cultural Committee would like to thank Eve for heading this event
 - All Events require a lot of work for the few volunteers that we have
- I would like to thank everyone involved in planning and carrying out events: the High School Students and especially Cheryl and Laura
- Veterans Day Ceremony Tuesday, November 11th @ 10:30am Village Hall
- Tree Lighting Saturday, November 29th @ 3pm Village Hall
- 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 summary of activities taking place in the Village

Marcus Christ Community Center

• Come take a look at it – the building is progressing nicely

S 12th Street Park

- The new park is scheduled to be open in November
- Thanks to the Village Attorney, Pete, we will have 4 mature trees from 114 Old Country Road

DPW

• Now open

Street Fair and Columbus Day

- Both great events
- Unfortunately, due to weather conditions, we did not have a Columbus Day parade this year
- Hopefully, we will have the new community center in 2026 to accommodate the event if it needs to be inside

Halloween Parade/Fall Festival

- The parade will take place on Saturday, October 25th with a rain-date of Sunday, October 26th
- The Board's theme is to dress-up as Villains

<u>Upcoming Village Events</u>

- Veterans Day Ceremony November 11 @ 10:30am Village Hall
- Tree Lighting November 29th @ 3pm Village Hall
- Grateful to the Village Staff for all their efforts coordinating these events

Miscellaneous

The Mayor ended his report by highlighting the Village's recent achievements including being named one of top 5 hottest communities for home price increases and having the cleanest zip codes in the tri-state area.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM and a motion was made by Deputy Mayor Nijjar, seconded by Tr. Quinlan, 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