

**INC. VILLAGE OF NEW HYDE PARK**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**October 19, 2023**

**Present:** Mayor Christopher Devane  
Deputy Mayor Madhvi Nijjar  
Trustee Rainer Burger  
Trustee Arthur Savarese  
Trustee Eve Sheikh  
Oscar Osorio, Village Treasurer  
Binu Pillay, Superintendent of Building  
Igor Sikiric, Superintendent of DPW

Mayor Christopher Devane opened the Board Meeting at 6:55 PM. The pledge of Allegiance was recited at the hearing. Mayor Christopher Devane also opened with an announcement of the future opening of the little league field. Thankful for the donations in the amount of \$100,000 for the construction of the little league filed.

**BOARD MINUTES:** Approved

**COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD:**

The Police Report for October 2023 was submitted by the Nassau County Police Department.

Street Fair- Mayor Christopher Devane

Expressed his gratitude for the following donations from the following sponsors.

- Northwell Health
- New Hyde Park Funeral Home
- Park Place Restaurant
- Maspeth Federal Bank
- Special Use for 1008 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue will not be opening up.
- Serial Parking on lawn, homeowner was ticketed and paid over \$11, 000 in fines for one home.
- There are Thousands of dollars in judgements for other homeowner's parking on their lawns.

Garbage collection for Election Day no pick up will resume Wednesday November 8, 2023 and Veteran's Day garbage will be picked up as usual.

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## **Trustee Rainer Burger:**

### **MTA**

#### **South 12<sup>th</sup> Pedestrian Underpass & Station Platform**

MTA will be applying a new application to the cement façade to clean up the blemishes etc- They are currently preparing the surface and there is hope for the completion by the end of the year.

#### **Paving of Roads**

Work was previously stopped due to lack of Man Power and will be resuming back on November 5, 2023 weekend to lift and install new signal hut on the tracks.

The lift itself will actually be done from the north side of the tracks. We will have our employees parking on the south side.

Paving and stripping should be completed in November 2023.

There will be a follow-up on work in the future but no schedule yet. This work will include rail work and compressing of gravel rock bed for the tracks. This was the vibration that some residents have been feeling.

There was no pile driving etc and I was assured by the MTA that this type of work/vibration would not impact home structures.

### **Marcus Christ (MCH)**

Demolition is completed and in the process of being re-built. Preliminary Architectural drawings are in the works. Presently waiting for a set of drawings to be submitted for review. Upon receipt we will share some renderings with the public.

Looking to get a bid out in the 1<sup>st</sup> QTR for 2024 and then award in the 2<sup>nd</sup> QTR of 2024.

### **Veterans Affairs American Legion Post 1089**

American legion participation in the Columbus Day & the New Hyde Park Memorial Day Parade.

November 4, 2023 Applebees Pancake Breakfast is being held bet 8:00 & 10:00 am and tickets are being sold \$12.00/ ticket \$10.00 Legion Member/ Scouts we will also have some raffle tickets and they are being sold.

Please support and purchase tickets from me.

Troop 298 and Village Hall will be helping with tables.

**Veteran's Day Ceremony** Saturday November 11, 2023 Village Park Hall 10:45 am line up and Ceremony will start at 11:00 am sharp!

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## **Troop 298**

Working with another Eagle Scout Project with Life Scout **Michael Domingo**-Hero Banners

- Life Scout project Liam Booth- cleaned out the room upstairs and is getting it ready for refurbishment- That project is complete.
- Troops will be supporting the Street Fair Long Island Runners Club Water Stop this Sunday and November 4, 2023 Pancake Breakfast.
- Congratulations to Michael Dore from Troop 298 and Iel Englander.

## **Noise Abatement**

The last meeting for TVASNAC was on Monday September 18, 2023 held at the Village Hall in Floral Park

It was a very informative meeting with a questions and answer session with many participants.

Recently State Senator Patricia canzoneri Fitzpatrick from the 9<sup>th</sup> Senate District wrote a letter to the FAA concerning airplane noise over our community's. In her letter she expressed her deep concern over the increase of airplane noise in our district especially early morning and late hours.

The September arrivals using runway 22L shows a lot less aircraft flying into JFK.

For instance: the month of July 2023 and over 14,000 flights into JFK compared to only 5,900 in the month of September 2023

The number of complaints for the month of August 2022 for flights into JFK was 15,000.

Compared to the number of complaints for the month of August 2023 is over 27,000.

The October 2023 meeting has been canceled and the next meeting for TVASNAC will be on Monday November 27, 2023.

Residents are urged to file a online Noise complaints at [WWW.hempsteadny.gov/TVASNAC](http://WWW.hempsteadny.gov/TVASNAC).

Or for Hempstead residents to call 1-800-225-1071, North Hempstead residents dial 311.

## **Trustee Eve Sheikh**

She was very pleased with the following event's

- October 8, 2023 Columbus Day Parade
- October 12, 2023 Cooking with chef Rob for Senior's
- October 20, 2023 Movie Event at the Hillside Library
- October 21, 2023 Library accepting Donations for cleaning supplies, Cat food, Cat supplies.
- October 24, 2023 Halloween Treat Chocolate Event
- October 27, 2023 Movie Event

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### **Upcoming Event Announcement**

- October 28, 2023 New Hyde Park Middle Schools PTA Unwanted clothing donation 8:30 AM- 12:00 PM.
- November 2, 2023 Brain Fitness Fun being held 1:00 PM- 2:00PM.

### **Senior Event's**

- October 27, 2023 11:00 AM Book Sculpting held at the Village of New Hyde
- November 4, 2023 Senior Greeting card workshop being held at Village of New Hyde Park 3:00- PM- 4:00 PM

### **Deputy Mayor Madhvi Nijjar**

Made some announcements for the following:

- Special Thank You for all of the help with regards to the Halloween Day Parade
- Veteran's Breakfast
- Saturday November 25, 2023 at 3 PM Annual Tree Lighting there will be Christmas Carolers and entertainment.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Diwali Celebration Thursday November 9, 2023.

### **Mayor Christopher Devane**

**Fire Department**- Honored Cesar Quinones.

Columbus Day Parade- Honored Nick Nuzzi

### **Announcement:**

- Veteran's Day Ceremony Saturday November 11, 2023 11:00 AM.
- Donations being taken for the American Veteran's Dog's.
- Diwali Celebration Thursday November 9, 2023 at 5:00 PM.
- Tree Lighting Saturday November 25, 2023 3:00 pm
- October 21, 2023 Street Fair 10:00 AM- 5:00PM starting location is Lakeville Road through New Hyde Park Road.
- DPW addition to Memorial Park and working on Nuzzi Field is underway.
- Dog Park is closed for the Wintertime.

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**A lot going on in 2024**

**Taco Bell alterations are underway**

**Miller Brothers Prospective possible plan underway.**

**Addressed the posting that was put on the board with regards to the Tragedy in Isreal with clarification as to what was posted.**

**REPORTS:**

**Trustee Arthur Savarese**

Parks and Recreation, Little League, Public Information, Dept. of Public Works, Tree Committee, Chamber of Commerce, Neighborhood Watch

**Trustee Rainer Burger**

Building Department, LIRR, Veterans Affairs, American Legion, Noise Abatement, Water Authorities, Scouts (Troop 298)

**Trustee Eve Sheikh**

Library, Senior Programs, Schools

**Trustee Madhvi Nijjar**

Revitalization 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, LIRR Task Force, Zoning Board of Appeals, Planning and ARB Board

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**23-54 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ABSTRACT Reso #23-08**

- Upon Motion by Deputy Mayor Nijjar, seconded by Trustee Burger the resolution to pay the bills was unanimously approved.

**23-55 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SPECIAL USE OF TACO BELL**

- Upon Motion by Deputy Mayor Nijjar, seconded by Trustee Burger for the Village Clerk to advertise a public hearing for special use permit.

**23-56 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF NEW FULL TIME HIRE BELMONTE**

- Upon Motion by Deputy Mayor Nijjar, seconded by Trustee Burger for the hiring of Full time Court Clerk Belmonte.

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## **TRUSTEE REPORTS:**

### **Trustee Savarese:**

#### **Social Media**

- Follow the Village on the Village Instagram account for updates, Important Notices & Events, (@villageofnhp).
- You should also visit the Village website and download the My VNHP app on your phone to stay connected with your village.

#### **Memorial Park**

- Park hours are now till 8:00 am till dusk every day.
- The village was scheduled two baseball clinics but unfortunately the weather has not cooperated on either weekend so far. Look for a notice on Instagram and the Village website as we try to reschedule these clinics. These clinics are open to all boys and girls from the ages 6 to 12 years old and are free for Village residents. Non- residents can sign up their player for a small fee of \$25.00 per player.

#### **New Hyde Park Little League**

- The fall baseball & softball teams are in full swing despite the challenge they have been facing with the weather.
- Early registration for Spring 2024 (baseball & softball) will start in November 2023

#### **Neighborhood Watch**

- Is ongoing and we are currently looking for more volunteers. We do not have enough volunteers to cover patrol the Village streets Monday through Sunday. We will work with your schedule.
- If you are interested, please complete an application that can be obtained from Village Hall and email Arthur Savarese [asavarese@vnhp.org](mailto:asavarese@vnhp.org).

#### **Greater New Hyde Park Chamber of Commerce Report**

- Greater NHP Chamber of Commerce will be a vendor at our upcoming Street Fair this October 22, 2023.
- We want to thank our wonderful sponsors for this year's Street Fair.
- **Northwell Health**
- **New Hyde Park Funeral Home**
- **Maspeth Federal Savings Bank**
- **First Flag Realty**
- **Park Place Restaurant**
- **FBS**

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- **Flushing Bank**

### **Tree Replacement**

- **If you would like a tree planted in the Spring, please go to Village website or the App to make your request.**

## **Department of Public Works: Igor Sikiric, Superintendent**

### **Sanitation**

DPW is currently running 3 garbage trucks We had hoped to receive one of our a new trucks this month however, the delivery has been pushed back to sometime in December 2023 with the other 2 trucks coming sometime in Spring 2024.

- Waste and Recycling collected in September 2023.
- 544 Tons of waste and recycling consisting of 410 tons of MSW.
- 18 tons of construction and demolition debris
- 26 tons of newspaper
- 23 tons of commingled recyclables
- 67 tons of Yard Waste

November 7, 2023 is Election Day No sanitation collection will take place. Collection for Sanitation will resume on November 8, 2023 with Garbage being collected on the Southside, commingled recycling and yard waste will be collected throughout the Village. Cardboard/ Paper collection will take place on the Northside.

### **Operations**

- Installation and repair of new signs and poles due to aging and damage is on-going.
- In the month of September 2023 there were approximately 15 signs that were repaired, replace, or relocated.
- The Street Sweeper was out most of the month of September 2023 and will continue as scheduled for the rest of the fall. Street Sweeper operations are conducted by sections. If you do not know which section you are located in, please visit the Village Website.
- Announced the request for the Tree Planting in front of home can be made on the Village of New Hyde Park App.

### **Routine Tree Maintenance**

- Routine tree maintenance request and tree preventative maintenance procedures are on-going and will continue as needed.

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- The Village Tree Contractor was in the Village September 2023 performing 10 tree trims, 3 removals, and 20 stump removals. Tree trims and removals will continue over the next couple of months. If there are any request, you can call Village Hall or use the MyVNHP App.

**DPW**

- DPW staff has been performing weekly maintenance and cleanup operations along Jericho Tpke, LIRR corridor and parking lots. Litter pick-up along sidewalks, median areas, and parking lots is conducted on a weekly basis. All vegetation and landscape operations are conducted weekly or as needed. DPW received and staff responded to approximately 59 service requests that were received via MyVNHP App or phone calls during the month of September 2023. Request included tree/ trim removal and tree planting, fallen branches, road repairs, dead animal removals, routine maintenance request, request for a new recycling pail etc. The majority (32) of calls this month were regarding Trees.

**Leaf Collection:**

Road Side collection of leaves has begun the first week of November and will continue till December 15, 2023. Leaves can be bagged and placed at the curb for collection every Wednesday.

**Building Department - Binu Pillay, Superintendent**

**Zoning Board of Appeals**

The last meeting of the Zoning Board and Appeals was held on **Wednesday October 11, 2023** with 2 cases which was heard. One was for Special Exception Permit which was approved and the other was for Taco Bell which is reserved.

**Architectural Review Board**

- The last meeting was held on **September 27, 2023** with 5 cases heard. 3 cases were approved and 2 cases were reserved decision.
- The next meeting is scheduled for October 25, 2023 with 3 cases to be heard. 1 from a previous hearing and 2 additional new cases to change the siding colors of existing homes.
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**Planning Board**

- The last Planning board meeting was held on September 27, 2023 since no applications were submitted, the meeting was cancelled.
- The next meeting was scheduled for October 25, 2023 and as of this time we have no applications submitted.
- I would like to remind all residents that moving forward the Architectural Review Board and the Planning Board hearings will be held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of every month and not the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of every month.

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## **Village Court**

- The last Village Court was held on **Wednesday October 18, 2023** with 26 cases, which comprise of 6 Parking on Lawn, 1 Obstructing sidewalk, 11 Property Maintenance, 1 multi-family in a single- family home and 7 various infractions.
- The next Village Court will be held on **November 15,2023** with 18 cases. The 18 cases comprise of 1 Parking on Lawn, 3 Obstructing sidewalks, 8 Property maintenance, 1 Working without permits, 1 multi-Family in a single- family home, 4 various infractions.

## **Rental Registration**

- Rental Registration is in process and inspections are being conducted accordingly.

## **Special Use**

- There was 1 Special Use applications heard at last month's meeting which was reserved.
- During the period from **September 20, 2023 to today**, the building department issued 50 permits, 11 Building Permits, 10 Plumbing Permits, 5 Dumpster/POD, 5 Roof Permits, 9 Sidewalk/Driveway Permits, 5 Fence Permits, 3 Street Opening/Road Closure, 2 Sign Permits.
- 9 Certificates of Approval, 1 Certificate of Occupancy, 11 Certificate of Completion, 7 Special Exemptions, 3 Special Uses, 5 Closed Expired Permits.

## **Trustee Rainer Burger**

### **Long Island Railroad (LIRR) 3<sup>rd</sup> Track Project**

#### **South 12<sup>th</sup> Pedestrian Underpass & Station Platform**

- 3TC is looking at options to clean up the façade. The current mockup was deemed unacceptable by the Board.
- The Village met with MTA and 3TC on July 24<sup>th</sup> and the Village is currently looking at an application applied at the Hicksville station as a possible option.

#### **Ground Work & Paving of Roads**

- All roads are paved except for 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue. The LIRR is working on a grounding issue. The design is in development and is scheduled to be completed the by the end of July with the work to begin in August.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave paving is complete. The stripping will be redone to accommodate local business operations. This re-stripping will be completed after 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave Paved.

#### **Landscaping**

Additional Landscaping was installed by 3TC.

- 3TC stopped the installations of the remaining trees due to some conflicts.

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### **LIRR Track Work**

- The signal and interlock that started in September has been on hold since September due to Manpower issue
- Work will start up November 5 2023 to lift and install a new signal hut on the tracks.
- The lift itself will actually be done from the north side of the tracks and we will have our employee parking on the south side. I've requested of the right of way, where they have been for a bit.
- There will be follow on work in the future but no schedule as of yet.
- There may be some night work in August due to prep work for certain aspects of the switch installation.

### **Water Authority Water Authority**

- Announcement of the 1.4 Dioxide removal and Well 57A problems corrected and Happy to announce that the samples are at State requirements.
- Positive New Well station 57A- Last several Well test samples have met the Water purification requirements. Looking to do some additional testing and the water authority will be applying to DOH approval to go operational shortly. Good News!

### **Veterans Affairs/American Legion Post 1089**

- Upcoming Events; Street Fair, Veterans Day, Pancake Breakfast
- November 4, 2023 **Applebee's** Pancake Breakfast is being held between 8:00 am – 10:00 am and tickets are being sold \$12.00/ Ticket \$10.00 Legion Members/Scouts we will also have some and raffle tickets are being sold as well. Please support and purchase some tickets.
- Troop 298 will support the event by serving for the Veterans.

### **Noise Abatement**

- The last TVASNAC (Town-Village Aircraft Safety Noise Abatement Committee) meeting was held on July 31<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 pm.
- Residents have voiced complaints regarding low flying helicopters, these complaints can be reported as well per a FAA.
- Residents are urged to file online noise complaints at [www.hempsteadny.gov/TVASNAC](http://www.hempsteadny.gov/TVASNAC). Or for Hempstead residents to call 1-800-225-1071, North Hempstead residents dial 311.
- Ann Burger of the Village of New Hyde Park was awarded Annual Woman of Distinction by the State Assembly of New York in honor of her volunteer service of the past 15 years within the schools as Parent Teachers Association President, her work with the church as a Religious Education Teacher, and as a Cub Scout and Boy Scout leader. She will be honored on September 9<sup>th</sup> at Adelphi University.

### **Illegal Parking:**

- Multiple cars are parking Illegally and this will not be tolerated.

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## **Trustee Eve Sheikh**

### **Schools**

- New Hyde Park Road School will begin on September 5, 2023. We are looking forward to another exciting school year.
- Senior Program
- Some upcoming library events
- We are welcoming back our senior events on Fridays.
- On September 8, 2023 at 11:00AM we will be hosting Bagels and Games
- On September 22, 2023 at 11:00AM we will be hosting a Terrarium event which should be fun.
- On August 13, 2023 we held a Wellness Day where Dr. Patel and Pharmacist Mrs. Patel were on hand to educate seniors on their health and take their blood pressure. It was very informative.

### **Library**

#### **Some upcoming Library Events**

- August 28, 2023 Tai Chi
- September 1, 2023 Movie 9 to 5 at 1:00PM
- September 13, 2023 Skin Cancer Screening 1:30- 2:00PM
- September 14, 2023 Library Board of Trustees Meeting at 7:00PM
- September 18, 2023 Information on Medicare updates at 1:00PM

For more information on the many events that will be taking place at the library, please visit [www.hillside.library/info](http://www.hillside.library/info)

Trustee Eve Sheikh is looking forward to Back-to-school Movie Night on Friday September 8, 2023 featuring Maverick and encourages residents to join them.

### **Deputy Mayor Madhvi Nijjar**

#### **Clerk's Office**

- Audit is complete and awaiting exit interview
- Some staff changes have taken place Court Clerk Belmonte and Arlene Druckner Deputy Clerk Treasurer.

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