

Newsletter



Moving Forward in Our Village



With spring in full bloom, we are all looking forward to the beautiful days ahead and getting back to our normal routines. I am proud of the many residents who have been adhering to the difficult social distancing mandates that have been imposed upon us. So many have taken time to extend a helping hand to neighbors in need, donate to local food banks, and help out local businesses by placing orders for take-out and delivery. A special thanks goes out to Sister Kathy and Our Lady of Fatima

Church for helping our residents in need, to local businesses who have modified business practices to help serve residents, to Police, Fire, EMT and Medical Professionals and to our dedicated staff members who continue to serve our community each day throughout the pandemic. We appreciate all that everyone has done to help our Village stay strong.

Looking back at this past year, we can be very proud of so much that has been accomplished in Manorhaven; a few highlights include:

- **The opening of Morgan's Dock Park** on June 22, 2019;
- An upgraded fiscal rating by **three notches to AA+ by Standard & Poor's**;
- A finalized work agenda with resident input **to begin a \$3 million Manorhaven Boulevard Streetscape Project** this year;
- Our Nature Preserve, which continues to improve through its **Native Plant Garden, Dog Park, Growing Love Community Garden, a Children's Garden**, and plans to improve the existing **recreational walking trails**;
- Receiving the **Tree City USA** designation through the efforts of Deputy Mayor Priscilla von Roeschlaub and Patricia Valente;
- **A street paving project** to start repairing our worst streets began with filling thousands of potholes, **repaving** portions of Cambridge, Manhasset and Nesaquake Avenues, and **additional road repairs** planned for this summer on the remaining portions of Cambridge and other roadways;

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Staying On Track Under Quarantine

It has been very difficult these past several weeks under the mandated quarantine imposed upon our residents and neighbors. The Mayor and Village Board have tried very hard to keep most essential services intact while following daily recommendations to what is and what is not allowed by the Governor. We are deeply indebted to our employees, who despite being at great risk, have been on rotating shifts to assist residents with urgent needs and concerns. Our Village Clerk, Sharon Abramski and Highway Superintendent, Mike Calvanese have been on call 24-7 to make sure everyone's needs are being met and the pump station is running smoothly. Thank you to those residents who have complied with social distancing and helped neighbors in need. Thanks to local businesses who came up with creative ways to help our community. We have so much to be thankful for and look forward to when things are completely "back to normal" in our beautiful community.

COVID-19 Coronavirus Humanitarian Relief

Faith-based and community leaders are working together to address village-wide concerns. In an effort to address the emergency needs of Port Washington residents during the COVID-19 pandemic, the Community Chest of Port Washington has convened a working group of leaders from the Town of North Hempstead, Port Washington School District, PW Public Library, PW Police, the PW Crisis Relief Team, community, faith-based organizations (CFBO), and others. The Community Chest has also created the **Port Washington COVID-19 Community Response Fund** with an initial goal of \$500,000. This Fund will be used to issue **COVID-19 emergency grants** for food needs, housing costs and other expenses to existing CFBO that have strong experience supporting local families, particularly those that are disproportionately affected by this pandemic and its economic consequences, including frail home-bound senior citizens. For more information: <https://www.portchest.org/covid1>

Application for a CDBG Preserve Grant

It has been the wish of so many residents and community members to reconstruct the pathways in the Manorhaven Preserve. On April 1, applications for assistance were due to the Nassau County Community Block Grant program. A grant was submitted on behalf of Manorhaven to seek funding to create new recreational pathways, as well as funding for the installation of security cameras in the Preserve. This project involves the DEC, engineering fees, permits, environmental approvals, as well as construction and building costs at an estimated \$400,000. We are hoping our request will be granted by mid-June, so we can start sometime in September or October.

A Sad Farewell to Joe Fico

Earlier this year, Manorhaven lost a lifelong Port Washington resident and friend, Joseph Fico, Jr. Joe worked for the Port Washington Police Department, retiring as a Detective Sergeant. He also served as a member and former chief of the Port Washington Fire Department's Atlantic Hook & Ladder Company for 59 years.



Joe Fico (right) with grandson Kyle DiLeo during a 9/11 Memorial ceremony at Manorhaven Village Hall.

70th Anniversary of Armed Forces Day

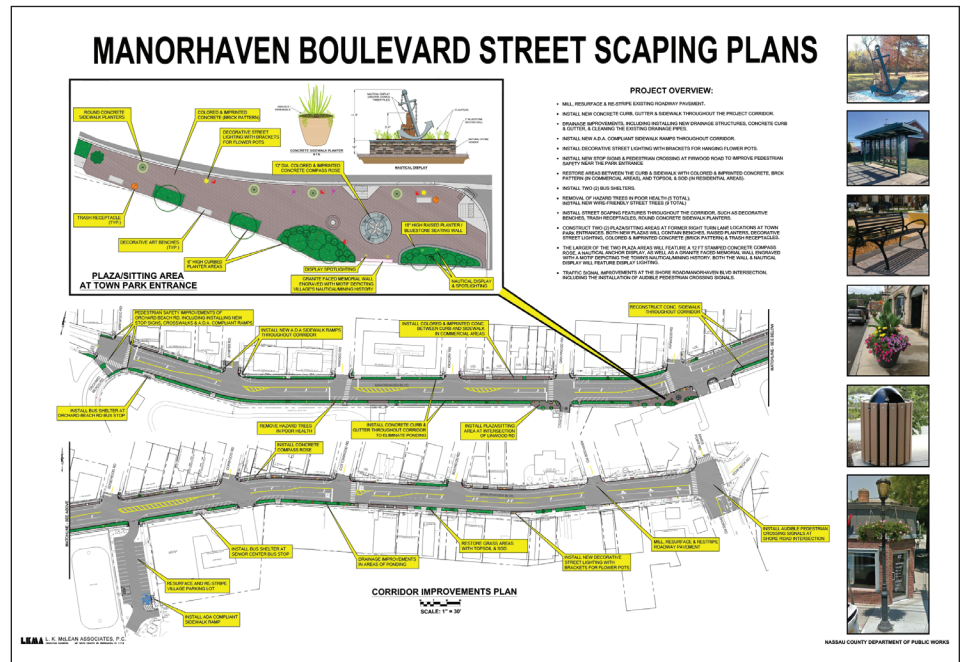
Armed Forces Day, began in 1950 as a way for citizens to thank our brave military for defending our nation and our freedom. Armed Forces Day is held on the third Saturday in May. This year marks the 70th anniversary of this important event. Please thank veterans you may see for their service on May 16 and every day of the year. The Village thanks resident Jeremy Devine for bringing this important event to the forefront. Unfortunately, due to the recent pandemic, we were unable to move forward with its planned event in the Village.

Manorhaven Boulevard Streetscape Project

Everyone has been looking forward to the long awaited repaving of Manorhaven Blvd. and the exciting project that is planned to revitalize our Business District with a fresh nautical feel. After several meetings with Legislator Delia DeRiggi-Whitton, Nassau County Engineers and Staff, Deputy Mayor Priscilla von Roeschlaub, the Village Streetscape Committee, and public meetings with Village residents, they are ready to begin work in early fall after the peak swim and boating season has ended.

We can expect to see the following changes:

- The entire length of Manorhaven Boulevard from Shore to Kirkwood Roads will be resurfaced and paved;
- Damaged curbs and sidewalks will be replaced;
- Drainage issues will be corrected at Inwood and along the Boulevard;
- Only 9 to 10 trees (damaged or diseased) will need to be removed;
- Each corner will have ADA compliant ramps;
- New bus shelters will be installed;
- Installation of new lamp posts similar to those along Port Washington's Main Street;
- New benches, trash receptacles, an anchor, and nautical motifs will be added;
- For greater safety, three intersections will be modified where the Boulevard meets Firwood Road/entrance to the Beach Park; at Graywood Road; and at the intersection of Kirkwood and Orchard Beach Roads (a crosswalk will be added, as well as marking the left turning lane for cars turning left onto Orchard Beach Road.);
- Stop signs will be added to



westbound traffic and Orchard Beach Road;

At Graywood Road, and the eastbound entrance to Manorhaven Beach Park, the current right turn lane cutouts will be turned into plaza seating areas.

- Aside from making smart use of these unused areas and adding a crosswalk at Firwood Road, the stop signs and yield for pedestrian

signs will be closer and, therefore, much more visible to cars; and

- A nautical mural, which is in the planning stages under Deputy Mayor von Roeschlaub and her Streetscape Committee.

A more pedestrian friendly, safe and beautiful Manorhaven Boulevard should be completed by the fall of 2021.

Annual Bulk Pick-up Day

With so many of us stuck at home, many have had an opportunity to do some good old-fashioned, spring-cleaning. Many have called Village Hall to find out when unwanted items stored in garages, attics and basements can be placed at the curb for pick-up. Our **Annual Pick-up Day is Saturday, May 16** from 6 a.m. to 3 p.m. All items need to be placed at the curb **no sooner than** 5 p.m. Friday evening and **no later than** 6 a.m. Saturday morning, as they will not backtrack for forgotten items. As usual, they **do not take construction material** such as sinks, toilets and cupboards and **will not take paints and chemicals, tires or car parts.**

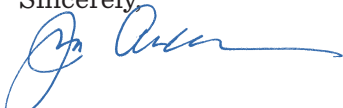
**PLEASE DO NOT FLUSH WIPES OR
THROW GREASE DOWN DRAINS.**

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- **Long overdue restoration of our sewer lines** began this winter, **completing Phase I**, linings and critical repairs along Manorhaven Blvd., Graywood and Inwood Roads, with plans to begin a **pump station restoration over the next three years**;
- Village Hall also completed important **indoor renovations** by replacing 50-year-old **bathrooms, painting, and new flooring** in the main meeting room, with completed **renovations to the Manorhaven Blvd. Police Booth** inside and out;
- **A new user friendly, ADA compliant website** is in the works and should be completed by late summer;
- The **installation of new Village bulletin boards**;
- Code Enforcement continues to address and enforce **overcrowding and property maintenance concerns**;
- Our new **CODE RED emergency notification system** has made it easier for residents to update their own information and choose how they wish to be contacted;
- **Margarita's Café** and a new **Bike Shop** opened in 2019. This year, a new **Mediterranean restaurant** on Orchard Beach Blvd. and a **pizzeria** in the former *Mi Ranchito* building are planned.

Village Elections are Tuesday, June 16 from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. Please stop by Village Hall and vote or apply for an absentee ballot application. **EVERY VOTE** is important.

Sincerely,



Jim Avena, Mayor

Our Condolences

Mayor Avena, the Board and Staff offer their deepest condolences to the families and friends of those who died during the COVID-19 pandemic.



Updates on New Local Laws

LOCAL LAW-CHAPTER 54-DOGS

Many residents have complained about dog waste being left on the ground in public areas throughout the Village. With these concerns in mind, the Board passed a law, effective immediately. Those who witness someone leaving dog waste behind may come to Village Hall and sign appropriate documents attesting to witnessing this act. The offender will need to come to court and face a fine. **Just a reminder** that dogs should not be left out all day in the elements, and should be on a leash when out for daily walks.

MARIJUANA SALES MORATORIUM RENEWED

Last year, the Village Board passed an amendment to establish a moratorium on the sale of any type marijuana (recreational or medicinal) in the Village, but lifted it after New York State did not pass legislation to legalize marijuana. Now that the State is reconsidering legalizing it, the Village Board decided to reinstate the moratorium, which protects the Village while waiting to see what New York State does. Note that any type of moratorium has a six-month term, which can be renewed or allowed to lapse.

Tree City USA Designation For Manorhaven

The Village is very proud to have earned the title of Tree City USA. Designated by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), Manorhaven joins the more than 3,400 communities nationwide that are recognized for their commitment to managing and expanding their public trees, specifically in our Preserve. In order for Manorhaven to maintain its Tree City designation, it must celebrate Arbor Day, promote the event in the community, educate the public about the importance of trees, maintain a tree committee and tree codes, and include tree care in its budget. A special thank you to Patricia Valente and Deputy Mayor Priscilla von Roeschlaub for pursuing this designation.

"The best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago. The second best time is now." — Chinese proverb



COMING SOON– Shore Road Repaving

Legislator DeRiggi-Whitton has secured funding to repave the entire length of Shore Road from Manorhaven Boulevard to Main Street. Resurfacing and paving is currently scheduled for late summer to early fall. An audible pedestrian crossing signal will be installed at the intersection of Shore Road and Manorhaven Boulevard for greater safety, and crosswalks will be re-painted at the intersections of Manorhaven Boulevard and Sands Point Road. A re-evaluation of traffic lights for entrances into and exiting the Soundview Shopping Plaza and Manhasset Isle will also be considered.

Village Taxes Due July 1, 2020

On April 15, 2020, the Board of Trustees passed the Village's 2020–2021 budget for the upcoming fiscal year. A copy of the budget can be found on our website under tax information. The distribution of invoices will take place during the last week of May of this year. Timely payments should be received or postmarked by July 1, 2020. If you do not receive a tax bill by the end of the first week of June, please notify the Village office immediately, so a new bill can be sent out or emailed to you.

Facelifts to Village Hall

While Village Hall has been closed to the public, we have taken advantage of this time to address long overdue indoor renovation projects. Thanks to a JCAP Grant that was filed by Justice Court Clerk Carlos Romero and Clerk Sharon Abramski, over \$7,000 was awarded to Manorhaven to install new flooring in the courtroom as well as a fresh coat of paint to the walls and ceiling. In February and early March, the Village addressed the deteriorated condition of the restrooms, which hadn't seen a renovation since the early 1970s. Both restrooms were gutted to find no insulation and old termite damage. Thank goodness this project was undertaken to correct these problems. The rooms look absolutely beautiful, as these updates were long overdue. Our Village Hall has come a long way since 2016, and we are very proud of our new look. In addition, we'd like to say **"thank you"** to business owner **Eddie Rini of Haven Auto and Truck Repair**, for his beautiful handcrafted intarsia wood working piece — a sailboat scene depicting our Village on Manhasset Bay, which is proudly displayed at the entrance of our main meeting room.

Repaving Our Roadways and Sewer Work

A few years ago, the Mayor and Board of Trustees determined that a complete assessment of sewer lines and roadways would be completed by our Village Engineers. We are happy to report that the assessment was completed late last fall and that we have begun work on some of the most important areas of concern. Last fall, we began repaving portions of roadways in Manhasset Isle and on Cambridge Ave. As soon as construction work can resume, the Village plans to complete the remaining portions of Cambridge Road. Depending on funding from the Consolidated Highway Program (CHIPS), we may be able to add another roadway. As many know, repaving is very costly, but Mayor Avena is determined to move forward even if it's one road at a time. In the meantime, the highway staff will continue to fill potholes to keep roadways safe. Please report potholes and street light outages via our website at manorhaven.org by clicking on the "REPORT A CONCERN" button on the home page. If you are not internet savvy, feel free to leave a phone message at 516-883-7000, extension 110 or email villageclerksharon@manorhaven.org, so we can address problems as soon as possible.

Phase I of the Manorhaven Sewer Restoration Project is almost finished. Deep cleanings, followed by the installation of new sewer linings have been completed on Manorhaven Blvd., with some unexpected, very costly repairs on Graywood and Inwood Roads. The remaining work on this phase will be completed as soon as the quarantine is lifted. The next phase of work will be directed towards completing work on the line directly connected to the pump station, and Phase II, upgrading portions of the pump station over the next two to three years. Trustee John Popeleski, Clerk Sharon Abramski and Highway Supervisor Mike Calvanese have worked diligently with the engineers to keep these projects moving forward.

Siguiendo Adelante en Nuestro Pueblo

Con la primavera en plena floración, estamos deseando que lleguen los hermosos días y volver a nuestras rutinas normales. Estoy orgulloso de nuestros residentes que siguieron los mandatos de distanciamiento social impuestos sobre ellos. Muchos se tomaron el tiempo para extender una mano amiga a los vecinos necesitados, donar a los bancos de alimentos locales y ayudar a las empresas locales haciendo pedidos de comida para llevar y entrega.

Un agradecimiento especial a la Hermana Kathy y a la Iglesia de Nuestra Señora de Fátima por ayudar a algunos de nuestros residentes necesitados, junto con las empresas locales que modificaron sus prácticas comerciales para servir a los residentes y a nuestros dedicados miembros de equipo del pueblo que continuaron sirviendo a nuestra comunidad durante la pandemia. Estoy seguro de que esta experiencia nos hará más fuertes.

El año pasado, mucho se ha logrado para estar muy entusiasmado; algunos puntos destacados incluyen:

- **Inauguración del parque Morgan's Dock** el 22 de junio del año pasado.
- Una calificación fiscal mejorada en **tres niveles a AA+ por Standard & Poor's**;
- Tras las sugerencias de los residentes, se han finalizado los planes y **se está programando el trabajo para comenzar el proyecto Manorhaven Boulevard de 3 millones de dólares** este año;
- Nuestra reserva natural continúa mejorando a través del jardín de plantas nativas, el parque para perros y el jardín comunitario Growing Love, con planes para

mejorar los senderos recreativos para caminar;

- Recibimos una designación de **Tree City USA** gracias a los esfuerzos de la vicealcaldesa Priscilla von Roeschlaub y Patricia Valente;
- Hemos comenzado a **repavimentar algunas de nuestras peores calles**, incluidas partes de las avenidas Cambridge, Manhasset y Nesaquake, con **reparaciones de carreteras adicionales que incluyen el resto de Cambridge planificado para fines de la primavera hasta principios del verano**;
- Hemos comenzado la **restauración desde hace mucho tiempo de nuestras líneas de alcantarillado**, completando trabajo de líneas de tubería y reparaciones críticas a lo largo de las líneas Manorhaven Blvd., Graywood e Inwood Roads, con planes de comenzar la restauración de la estación de bombeo en los próximos tres años;
- Village Hall recibió importantes renovaciones interiores al reemplazar sus baños de cincuenta años de antigüedad, pintar y colocar pisos nuevos en la sala de reuniones y renovar la cabina de policía dentro y fuera de Manorhaven Blvd.;
- Un nuevo sitio web amigable para el usuario, compatible con ADA, debería estar terminado a fines del verano.
- Code Enforcement continúa imponiendo **problemas de hacinamiento y problemas de mantenimiento de la propiedad**.
- Nuestro nuevo **sistema de notificación de emergencia**

CÓDIGO ROJO ha hecho las cosas fáciles para los residentes actualizar la información y elegir cómo desean ser contactados.

- **Margarita's Cafe** abrió a principios de este año y el Village se enteró de los planes para un nuevo **restaurante mediterráneo** en Orchard Beach Blvd. y una **pizzería** en el antiguo edificio de mi Ranchito.

Las elecciones del pueblo siguen en camino para el **martes 16 de junio de 6 a.m. hasta las 9 p.m.** Asegúrese de pasar por Village Hall y votar porque **CADA VOTO** es importante. Espero con ansias avanzar en todos nuestros proyectos importantes, servir a nuestra maravillosa comunidad y verlos a todos muy pronto.

Sinceramente,
Jim Avena, Alcalde

Alivio Humanitario del Coronavirus COVID-19

Los líderes comunitarios y de fe trabajan juntos para abordar las necesidades de la comunidad. En un esfuerzo por abordar las necesidades de emergencia de los residentes de Port Washington como resultado de la pandemia de coronavirus COVID-19, el Community Chest de Port Washington ha convocado a un grupo de trabajo de líderes de la ciudad de North Hempstead, distrito escolar de Port Washington, Biblioteca pública de Port Washington, Departamento de Policía de Port Washington, Equipo de relevo de crisis de Port Washington, organizaciones comunitarias y de fe y otros. El Community Chest también creó el Fondo de Respuesta Comunitaria COVID-19 de Port Washington con una meta inicial de \$ 500,000. El fondo se usará para otorgar subsidios de emergencia de COVID-19 para necesidades de alimentos, costos de vivienda y otros gastos a las organizaciones comunitarias y religiosas existentes que tienen una gran experiencia apoyando a las familias locales, particularmente aquellas que se ven desproporcionadamente afectadas por esta pandemia y sus consecuencias económicas, incluidas las personas de la tercera edad que viven en el hogar. Para más información visite: <https://www.portchext.org/covid19>

Día Annual de Recogida de Artículos Grandes

Con tantos de nosotros atrapados en casa, muchos tuvieron la oportunidad de hacer una buena limpieza de primavera. Muchos llamaron a Village Hall para averiguar cuándo se pueden colocar en la acera los artículos no deseados que han estado en garajes, áticos y sótanos para que los recojan. Nuestro día de recogida anual es el sábado 16 de mayo de 6 a.m. hasta las 3 p.m. Todos los artículos deben colocarse en la acera no antes de las 5 p.m. el viernes por la noche y no más tarde de las 6 a.m. de la mañana, ya que no retrocederán por artículos olvidados. Como de costumbre, no llevan material de construcción, como fregaderos, inodoros y armarios, y no aceptan pinturas y productos químicos, llantas de auto o piezas de automóviles.

Impuestos de Pueblo por el 1 de Julio de 2020

El 15 de abril de 2020, la Junta de Síndicos aprobó el presupuesto 2020-2021 del pueblo para el próximo año fiscal. Puede encontrar una copia del presupuesto en nuestro sitio web bajo información fiscal. Las facturas se enviarán la última semana de mayo de 2020. Los pagos oportunos deben ser recibidos o enviados por correo antes del 1 de julio de 2020. Si no recibe una factura de impuestos antes del 10 de junio, notifique a la oficina del pueblo de inmediato para que se pueda enviar una nueva factura o enviado por correo electrónico.

Actualizaciones Sobre Nuevas Leyes Locales

LEY LOCAL, CAPÍTULO 54 – PERROS

Muchos residentes se han quejado de los desechos de perros que se dejan en el suelo en las áreas públicas de todo el pueblo. Con estas preocupaciones en mente, la Junta aprobó una ley, efectiva de inmediato. Aquellos que presencian que alguien deja desechos de perros pueden venir al Village Hall y firmar los documentos apropiados que atestiguan haber presenciado este acto. El delincuente será convocado a la corte del pueblo y enfrentará una multa.

SE RENUEVA PROHIBICIÓN DE VENTA DE MARIJUANA

El año pasado, el Pueblo aprobó una enmienda para establecer una prohibición sobre la venta de cualquier tipo de marihuana (recreativa o medicinal) en el Pueblo, pero la levantó después de que el Estado de Nueva York no pasó legislación para legalizar la marihuana. Ahora que el Estado está reconsiderando la legalización, la Junta del Pueblo decidió restablecer la prohibición, que protege el pueblo mientras espera ver qué hace el Estado de Nueva York. Tenga en cuenta que cualquier tipo de prohibición tiene un plazo de seis meses, que puede renovarse o dejarse sin efecto.

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*Reminder to Sign Up for **CODE RED** Emergency Notification System*

Last year, the Village added a secondary emergency notification service called **CODE RED**. Existing emails and phone numbers from our North Shore Alert emergency system were carried over to this new system because **CODE RED** makes it easier for residents to make changes to their own contact information, along with selecting which types of messages they want to receive. If you do not currently receive automated messages from the Village about storms and other emergencies, you are not on our contact list, so sign up today! Visit www.manorhaven.org and click on the **CODE RED** link in the lower right corner of our home page.

Upcoming Village Events

- **Annual Bulk Pick-up Day**
Saturday, May 16
- **Memorial Day** (offices closed)
Monday, May 25
- **Village Election** (offices closed)
Tuesday, June 16, 6:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Manorhaven Village Hall
- **Upcoming Court Session**
 - All court sessions have been postponed until June (TBA)
 - Todas las fechas de la corte se han pospuesto hasta junio



**Please be sure to dispose of
used gloves, masks and wipes
properly. Thank you!**