



NORTH HAVEN NEWS

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Letter from Mayor Chris Fiore

Hello! I hope the first 10 days of the New Year have been a good indication for the rest of 2023! The Trustees and I recapped the past year at our December Board meeting -- kudos to all for everything that has been either accomplished or commenced:

- Lovelady property: Phase I, the walking path, new maples, pond visibility and access.....anxious to reveal where the committee wants to go for Phase II.
- Lighting Code: after much resident input, this code goes into effect this year. It addresses respect for neighbors' concerns of light trespass and glare.
- Ticks: we are up to 15 units of the 4 poster program and hope to see a substantial reduction of ticks in the coming years. We are targeting 18 units.
- Tree clearing code: This upcoming BOT meeting will open the door for public input regarding a revision to the clearing code that will protect our collection of grand, mature, deciduous trees, as well as older, impressive cedars. Your input is welcome! **Wednesday, January 18, 5pm, in person or on Zoom.** (It will be the first item on the agenda). Please attend!
- Other initiatives, mostly encouraged by you, the community, include better code enforcement, better police action on speed, a review of criteria that allows large, oversized structures on small lots, and allowing families to occupy accessory structures on our properties. Illegal rentals

are also on our radar; we want every rental property to have a safety inspection -- and that comes along with a proper application.

We are here to attend to your needs and concerns. We wish to help protect your health (by keeping our water pure), your happiness, and your quality of life. Don't be shy -- let us know what's important to you. Thanks for all your support!
Chris

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This month's newsletter edition will recap the highlights from the December Village of North Haven Board of Trustees meeting, due to the holidays, there was no Board of Trustees Work Session in December. We will also preview agenda items of interest for the January Village Board Meeting.

Recordings of these meetings can be found on the Village website or by clicking [HERE](#).

Going forward, if you have any questions or if there are any other topics you would like to read about, please contact Terie Diat (Village Trustee) at tdiat@northhavenvillage.org.

Upcoming Board of Trustees Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 18th at 5 p.m. at Village Hall and via Zoom. All residents are welcome and encouraged to attend. The agenda for this meeting will be posted on the Village website (northhavenny.us) under Minutes and Agendas the Friday before the meeting date. The Zoom meeting link can be found on the home page of the Village website under the calendar entry for the Board of Trustees meeting.

Public Hearing Scheduled for January 18th at 5 p.m.

· Proposed amendments to CHAPTER 163 ZONING- ARTICLE I SECTION 163-5 – GENERAL PROVISIONS – DEFINITIONS AND WORD USAGE AND ARTICLE II SECTION 163-20 USE AND REGULATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS – CLEARING LIMITATIONS. The proposed amendments to the Village CLEARING CODE can be viewed [HERE](#).

The most significant changes proposed can be summarized as follows:

- A permit will be required to remove noxious or invasive species on undeveloped properties.
- Prior to clearing naturally occurring vegetation on undeveloped properties, approval must be obtained from the Building Inspector or the Planning Board.
- A Permit must be obtained to Remove Mature Trees
 - (1) No deciduous trees with a caliper of 16 inches or greater at a

height of 4.5 feet above ground level or native pines, fir or cedar with a caliper above 10 inches at a height of 4.5 feet above ground level may be damaged or removed without a tree removal permit issued by the Building Inspector.

- (2) A permit to remove a mature tree shall be granted only if:
- (a) it is dead or dying in the opinion of a professional arborist, landscaper or the Building Inspector; or if
 - (b) it poses a danger to property or the public.

- The current draft of the proposed code does not address removing healthy deciduous or native pines, fir or cedar with the calipers defined above if they are within a proposed building envelope. The next draft of the proposed code will consider language to address these circumstances.
- Any person guilty of violating this section of the code shall be guilty of an unclassified misdemeanor; the Village shall impose upon the owner of the property a fine in an amount not less than \$1,000 nor more than \$2,000 for each day of violation. In instances of tree removal, a separate violation will be issued for each tree altered or removed in violation of this chapter. Also, any building permit in effect, will be suspended for 90 days.

Village Updates:

Coat Drive at Village Hall for Maureen's Haven – Extended until January 31st

Thank You to all who responded in December to the request to support Maureen's Haven with warm coats. Due to the overwhelming success, over 280 gently used coats were donated, the Coat Drive has been **extended until the end of January.**

Please continue to drop off your lightly used coats in the drop box inside the conference room at Village Hall until **January 31st**. The drive will benefit Maureen's Haven, a homeless outreach center serving the East End, and providing shelter and support services. Maureen's Haven treats those in need with dignity and respect while offering life saving services such as food and a warm, safe place to sleep. Counseling, job training and case management are part of the mission to get individuals back on their feet.

Thank You to North Haven resident Jean Cowen for organizing the coat drive.

Tax Bill Address Confirmation

The 2023 Tax bills will be going out at the end of May. Please provide Village Hall with the correct mailing address to send your tax bill. You can email your information to the clerk at etuohy@northhavenvillage.org or call Village Hall at 631-725-1378.

Updated Website Pictures

Thank You to Camille Petrillo and Ed Deyermond for providing pictures for our winter slide show on the home page of the Village website. If you

haven't visited the website lately, please take a look, not only at the pictures, but also at all of the other very useful information on our website. Click [HERE](#) to get started!

Updates from the December 21st Board of Trustee's Meeting:

Public Hearings:

·A public hearing was continued on the proposed LOCAL LAW AMENDING VILLAGE CODE CHAPTER 163-36.2 – OUTDOOR LIGHTING.

After holding public hearings over several months and receiving many thoughtful comments from residents that were incorporated into the code, the Board passed the resolution for the final Outdoor Lighting Code on December 21st.

All residents need to comply, **some aspects of the code go into effect immediately**. **What You Need To Know About The New Light Code**– Click [HERE](#). The Full Adopted Code can be viewed [HERE](#). Any questions – don't hesitate to ask!

Resolutions Approved by the Board of Trustees:

·Proposal from Dr. Chris Gobler, Stony Brook University School of Marine & Atmospheric Sciences, to conduct water quality testing in North Haven from May, 2023 – October, 2023 for a total cost of \$26,373.

·Proposal from Eastern Environmental Solutions, Inc in the amount of \$11,800 for the asbestos abatement at 19 Sunset Beach Road.

·Awarded the bid for the demolition of the structures at 19 Sunset Beach Road to Cardo Site Development Inc in the amount of \$58,340 based on the recommendation of Vincent Gaudiello, Village Engineer. The competing bid was from Patrick Bistrian, Jr. Inc. for \$68,800.

·Rate increase for moorings:
Resident \$350 – prior rate \$300
Non-resident \$1,200 – prior rate \$650

·Authorization for a public hearing to be held on January 18th, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. Amending Village Code 163-20 – Clearing Limitations. The Board authorizes the Clerk/Treasurer to advertise said meeting. Trustee Diat voted nay due to objections to the proposed amendments to the clearing code, all other Board members voted aye.

North Haven Code Trivia – Did You Know....

As per Village code, Chapter 163-36.2 that addresses Outdoor Lighting, all landscape lighting must be fully shielded and turned off at 11:00 p.m. You can read the code section [HERE](#).

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