



NORTH HAVEN NEWS

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Welcome to the November edition of *North Haven News*. This month's edition will recap the highlights from the October Village of North Haven Board of Trustee meeting and previews agenda items of interest for the November Village Board meeting.

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 Tuesday, November 16that 5 p.m. **via zoom**. All residents are welcome and encouraged to attend. Links to the meeting can be obtained from Village Hall by calling 631-725-1378 or emailing clerk@northhavenvillage.org. The agenda for this meeting will be posted on our website (northhavenny.us) the Friday before the meeting date.

Public Hearings Scheduled for November 16th at 5 p.m.

- Amend Village Code #55 Fines for False Fire Alarms. See proposed amendment <u>HERE</u>.
- Amendment to Village Code 112-4 for Penalties for Offenses related to Noises and Construction Work on Weekends, including a ban on Gas Powered Leaf Blowers. See proposed revised amendment <u>HERE</u>. Additionally, attached <u>HERE</u> is a recently published New York Times OpEd on gas powered leaf blowers.

Updates from the October 19th Board of Trustee's Meeting:

Changes to Zoning Board of Appeals Membership

Mayor Sander read a letter of resignation from Zoning Board of Appeals member John Fitzpatrick who will be moving from the Village of North Haven. Mayor Sander thanked Mr. Fitzpatrick for his service to the Village. The Board voted to accept the resignation.

The Board voted to appoint Mr. Michael D'Angelo, effective immediately, to fulfill the unexpired term of John Fitzpatrick to the Zoning Board of Appeals. The term expires June 30, 2024. Mr. D'Angelo was present on the zoom meeting. The Board welcomed Mr. D'Angelo and thanked him for joining the ZBA and for his upcoming service to the Village.

Discussion with Southampton Police on Traffic & Speed Enforcement

A discussion was held between the Board and Sargent Carl Schottenhamel from the Southampton Town Police department regarding traffic and speed patrols, and enforcement on North Haven. The Board receives monthly reports from the Town of Southampton regarding police activity, but there is relatively little information regarding traffic and speed enforcement. The Board requested increased presence, and visibility of patrol cars, especially during morning and afternoon rush hours and increased enforcement of speed limits to make the North Haven roadways safer.

Reminder on Fall Leaf Pickup

North Haven's Leaf Removal Program will be begin the week of November 8, 2021 and run through the week of December 9, 2021 (Weather Permitting).

Only leaves will be vacuumed on all village-owned roads, State Road 114 and County Road 60.

Leaves should be placed on the roadside shoulder and should not be bagged. If branches and other debris are included, they will not be picked up since the debris will damage the leaf vacuum equipment.

Many residents have inquired why the Village cannot pick up leaves on private roads in North Haven. The Village is not legally allowed to provide road maintenance, nor leaf removal services on private roads. The tax assessment for the leaf removal program are only charged to homeowners residing on, or adjacent to, a public road.

Communication Regarding Graffiti and Litter Under the Bridge

Communication was received from April Gornik regarding the ongoing state of graffiti and litter under the bridge on both the Sag Harbor and North Haven sides. The Board and Village of North Haven have examined the area, have cleaned up the litter and painted over the graffiti, and have committed to more frequent cleanups. The Village has contacted Assemblyman Fred Thiele to request an "Authorized Vehicles Only" sign to restrict non-authorized traffic on the dirt path going down to the beach on the North Haven side of the bridge. The Board will consider a change to the code to introduce fines for littering so that Code Enforcement can enforce with fees.

NYS Broadband & Internet Survey

The NYS Department of Public Service has notified the Board of Trustees that they are conducting an online survey to study the availability, reliability, and cost of high-speed internet and broadband services in New York State, and produce and publish on its website, a detailed internet access map of the state, indicating access to internet service by location. They are requesting that we share the link to this website in order for you to participate if you choose to do so.

The survey is easy to follow and takes less than 10 minutes to complete. The survey webpage also includes an optional broadband speed test, whereby consumers can test their current broadband connection for upload and download speed. The weblink for the online survey can be found at: www.empirestatebroadband.com

This is your chance to voice your concerns regarding service in our area. Results of the survey will be published by May of 2022.

Move of the Old School House

The move of the old school house took place from the corner of Payne Avenue and Ferry Road to its new home adjacent to Village Hall on the morning of October 12th. The Committee is now working on preparing the interior to re-open in the spring as a museum and destination for field trips.

Shoreline Protection Code

The Board voted to appoint Race Coastal Engineering to assist/consult with the development of code changes related to shoreline protection structures, erosion controls. Code drafts have been prepared by Trustee Diat, Race Coastal Engineering will be assisting with finalization and preparation for public hearings.

North Haven Community Survey

The Village Board of Trustees fielded an anonymous Community Survey from September 20 – October 31 to gather input from the residents of North Haven. We were seeking opinions on the issues, opportunities and priorities that you feel are important to our future. Over 400 residents responded to the survey.

Thank You very much to everyone who took the time to share your input, it is enormously valuable to us!

The Board is currently compiling the results and plans to share a summary of the feedback at an upcoming Board of Trustee meeting.

Village Website

Work continues on the development of the new Village of North Haven website with the assistance of CivicPlus. Currently the team is working

on migrating content into the new website and developing the new website pages. The target launch date is the first week in December.

Preparing Village Hall for Hybrid Zoom/In-Person Meetings

The Board voted to accept a proposal (with one additional screen and one additional microphone) from Advanced Technology to outfit the Community Room in Village Hall with equipment and software to enable meetings to be conducted simultaneously with both people participating from the Village Hall Community Room and with participants remotely via Zoom.

Fire & Ambulance Contract

The Board held a public hearing and subsequently voted to approve the contract with Sag Harbor for fire and ambulance protection effective January 1, 2022 for \$710,960.08. This amount was in line with, but slightly higher than the amount budgeted.

Dock Approval

The Board held a public hearing and subsequently voted to approve a dock at 15 Mashomuck Drive.

Santa Claus is Coming to Town!

The North Haven LVIS is happy to announce that Santa Claus will once again be visiting small children and shut-ins via fire truck on Saturday, December 18th starting at noon. To request a visit please email NorthhavenLVIS@gmail.com.



North Haven Heritage Passage

Hawthorne Manor – (Now known as "North Haven Manor") – The property that later came to be known as Hawthorne Manor was from early times a very desirable piece of land with a wide expanse of woodland, farmland and marshland, overlooking beautiful Shelter Island Sound.

In 1889, noted writer, Julian Hawthorne, son of Nathaniel Hawthorne, had been spending time at one of the Huntting house on Main Street, Sag Harbor, enjoying the area and looking for a place to buy. He learned that Mrs. Goodsell, then a widow, was going to sell part of her large piece of land on North Haven. After looking

the place over, Hawthorne decided it was the perfect place for his growing family to spend their time "out East."

December 1893, Julian Hawthorne and family moved from the old Goodsell house and their household effects were sold. In 1910, still left with a large piece of property, Mrs. Goodsell sold to a company called "Sag Harbor Estates," which was owned by developer H.A. Smith. The land was surveyed, mapped and building lots advertised for sale. Smith's idea was to sell to families of "moderate means in a comprehensive manner." The halfmile of shore front was divided into ten lots with two-hundred-foot frontage and eighty other lots laid out in the uplands. At the highest point was the Manor-House, formerly occupied by Julian Hawthorne, after whom they decided to name the new development and the street in front of the house. (The Hawthorne house burned down on March 29. 1929).

Plans were for the development to be designed in a thoroughly artistic way, "with no asphalt roads, no cement sidewalks, and no monotonous rectangles." Instead broad macadam drives with great sweeping curves and graveled walks shaded by stately trees were planned. An advertisement booklet was published showing photographs of Hawthorne Manor. Pictured were views of Shelter Island Sound, curving drives, a layout plan of the property for sale and an artist's rendition of a tree-lined "Esplanade," leading to the water at the north end of the development. [1]

[1] Zaykowski, Dorothy Ingersoll and Joseph Zaykowski. *The Early History of North Haven, Long Island, New*

York. 1st Ed. 2006.

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