



NORTH HAVEN NEWS

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Welcome to the July, 2022 edition of *North Haven News*. Following is a letter from our new Mayor:

Good day everyone -- I am so pleased and thoroughly thankful you have given me this chance to lead North Haven as Mayor. And I am equally thrilled to announce the Deputy Mayor assignment has gone to Trustee Claas Abraham. Claas won a two year term as Trustee in this past election. I have a candidate I am putting forward to replace my Trustee seat: Peter Boody, a well known and long time resident of North Haven. Peter has been a serious player in East End journalism for many years, and has served as the Express reporter of all our Board of Trustee meetings for the past several years. The next issue of this Newsletter will feature Peter's background, helping you get to know him and his contributions.

We have a lot to do as a Board and there are many things I learned from you during my door to door campaigning, which we have put on our agenda. I will be available to you by email: (mayor@northhavenvillage.org) and direct contact at Village Hall -- I will be available for appointments, should you like one, please email me to schedule a mutually convenient time.

Please do not hesitate to include me in your suggestions and opinions -- my campaign centered around listening to your needs, protecting your property values and keeping regulations in check. Keep me abreast of your thoughts!

Thanks to you all --
Chris

This month's newsletter edition will recap the highlights from the June Village of North Haven Board of Trustee meeting and work session and the Annual Reorganization Meeting held on July 5th, and previews agenda items of interest for the July 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, July 19th at 5 p.m. We are pleased to announce that this meeting, and all future Board meetings (for the Board of Trustees, Planning Board, ARB and ZBA) will now take place in person at Village Hall, and also will be offered on zoom. All residents are welcome and encouraged to attend. The agenda for this meeting will be posted on our new website (northhavenny.us) under **Minutes and Agendas** the Friday before the meeting date.

Public Hearings Scheduled for July 19th at 5 p.m.

- Proposed dock at 4 On the Bluff.
- New Local Law Chapter 35 – Virtual Meeting Participation
 - A local law authorizing the Village Board of Trustees to use videoconferencing technology to participate in public meetings. Please view the local law [HERE](#).
 - This local law will enable all Village Board meetings for the Board of Trustees, as well as the Planning, ARB and ZBA Board meetings to be conducted as hybrid meetings, both in Village Hall and via zoom to encourage greater public participation.
- Amendment of Local Law 112-2 regarding Noise. Please see proposed amendment [HERE](#).

Village Updates:

Annual Reorganization Meeting – July 5th

The annual reorganization meeting was held on July 5th. Following are the most important matters addressed at that meeting. To see the full roster of business transacted, please see the minutes to be posted soon on the Village website under Board of Trustees.

Clerk/Treasurer Eileen Tuohy administered the oath of office to the following newly elected officials who will serve for the noted terms:

Mayor Chris Fiore	term to expire June 30, 2024
Trustee Claas Abraham	term to expire June 30, 2024
Trustee E. Dianne Skilbred	term to expire June 30, 2024

Mayor Fiore appointed Claas Abraham to the position of Deputy Mayor who took the oath of office, term to expire June 30, 2023.

The Board discussed and resolved to change the regular business meeting of the Board of Trustees to be held on the Third Wednesday (instead of Tuesday) of each month at 5:00 p.m, starting on September

21, 2022, in the meeting room, Village Hall 335 Ferry Road, North Haven, New York. (Note, all meetings to also be held via zoom).

The Board of Trustees approved the following appointments for the following terms:

Clerk/Treasurer	Eileen M Tuohy	term to expire – June 30, 2024
Registrar of Vital Statistics	Eileen M Tuohy	term to expire – June 30, 2024
Deputy Clerk	Edward T. Deyermund	term to expire – June 30, 2024
Deputy Registrar of Vital Stat.	Erika Gubitosi	term to expire – June 30, 2024
Village Attorney	Scott Middleton	term to expire – June 30, 2023
Village Accountants	Friedman LLP	term to expire – June 30, 2023
Village Engineer /Planning Board/MS-4	Vincent Gaudiello	term to expire – June 30, 2023
Planning & Environmental	William Hajek	term to expire – June 30, 2023
Village Coastal Engineering Consultant	Race Coastal Engineers	term to expire - June 30, 2023
Fire Warden	Jack Reiser	term to expire – June 30, 2024
Historian	Joseph Zaykowski	term to expire – June 30, 2024
Planning Board Members	Bryan Von Hagn	term to expire – June 30, 2027
	Ernest Schieferstein	term to expire – June 30, 2027
	Julia Hubbard	term to expire – June 30, 2027
Planning Board Chair	Bryan Von Hagn	term to expire – June 30, 2023
Planning Board Co-Chair	Ernest Schieferstein	term to expire – June 30, 2023
Zoning Board Members	Scott Brooks	term to expire – June 30, 2027
Zoning Board Chair	Mark Poitras	term to expire – June 30, 2023
Zoning Board Co-Chair	Scott Brooks	term to expire – June 30, 2023
ARB Members	Kimberly Eads	term to expire – June 30, 2027
ARB Chair	David Sherwood	term to expire – June 30, 2023
ARB Co-Chair	Kimberly Eads	term to expire – June 30, 2023

Village Hall Office Closures

Please note that the Village Hall Office is closed on Tuesday mornings from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. until Labor Day.

New Speed Radar Signs

The new electronic speed radar sign has been installed on Short Beach Road and is actively providing data and insight on traffic in VNH to the Board which we previously have not been able to obtain. We hope it is actively causing drivers to SLOW DOWN to keep our roads safer! I know I hit the brakes when I see it! A second mobile sign will be deployed in the village soon. Thanks to Trustee Abraham for his work on the speed radar signs.

Goat on a Boat Children's Puppet Camp

Join master puppeteer Liz Joyce for a week of making puppets, creating stories, building sets & stages, playing theater games and lots of mini performances.

For kids aged 4-7 years. August 22-26, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Outdoors at North Haven Village Hall with our new Puppet Truck!

Go to www.goatonaboat.org to register or to find more information.

Updates from the June 22nd Board of Trustee's Meeting:

The June 22nd Board of Trustees Meeting was the last meeting presided

over by outgoing Mayor Jeffrey Sander. Mayor Sander served with distinction for four, two-year terms as Mayor of North Haven and five years on the Board before that as a Trustee. The Board will miss his wise counsel and steady guidance of the Village affairs and thanks him for his long service to the people of North Haven.

The Village is planning a reception for former Mayor Sander at Village Hall on September 18th at 4 p.m. to thank him for his service. The entire community is invited. Please plan to attend.

Public Hearing on Dock Application

A dock application was reviewed for 4 On the Bluff. The Board asked for additional information to be submitted including a revegetation plan for the buffer on the property that has been removed. The hearing was adjourned until July 19th.

Public Hearing – MS4 Annual Report

The Village's Engineer, Vincent Gaudiello, presented the annual MS4 report that must be filed with the NY State Department of Environmental Conservation Division of Water. A copy of the report can be viewed on the website [HERE](#).

Public Hearing – Open Meeting Law – Virtual Meetings

A discussion was held regarding the proposed open meeting law policy for the Village of North Haven. Village Clerk Eileen Tuohy and Trustee Abraham attended a recent seminar on the topic where additional information was obtained and shared with the Board. The Board agreed to delay voting on the proposed open meeting law until the July Board meeting pending clarification of open questions by Clerk/Treasurer Tuohy.

In the meantime, the new equipment to facilitate hybrid zoom meetings has now been installed and tested in the community room at Village Hall. Thanks to Deputy Mayor Claas Abraham for making this happen! The Board agreed to begin holding hybrid in-person and zoom meetings for the Board of Trustee Meeting in July and all other Board meetings (Planning Board, ARB & ZBA) starting in August.

A constant contact email will be sent on where to find the Zoom link on the Village website prior to the date of the meetings.

Meetings will be recorded. Recordings of each meeting will be posted on the website.

Applicants presenting documents at Planning Board, ARB and ZBA meetings must email pdf versions of the documents to Erika Gubitosi at egubitosi@northhavenvillage.org no later than 24 hours prior to the meetings. Presenters must email pdf versions of documents to be presented at the Board of Trustee meetings to Eileen Tuohy at etuohy@northhavenvillage.org no later than 24 hours prior to the meeting.

New Water Quality Committee

A new water quality committee was launched at the end of May with the objective to assess and improve the water quality of the creeks, coves, ponds, bays, wetlands and shoreline of North Haven. The committee is led by Trustee Diat, and the members are former Mayor Jeff Sander, and residents Chris Remkus, Stephanie Joyce and Allison Scanlon.

The committee has outlined a set of detailed objectives and is currently working on obtaining a proposal for water testing of the major creeks in North Haven, and interviewing several organizations to potentially perform a comprehensive assessment and provide recommendations on actions and opportunities to improve water quality in North Haven.

Stay tuned for many exciting future updates in this Newsletter on this work. There will be many ways for the community to work together on ensuring that we keep our most precious resources clean and healthy!

Update on Noise Code

The Board discussed and agreed to update the Noise code to prohibit dirt bikes. The change will be advertised as a public hearing at the July Board of Trustees meetings.

Update on *Kick Ticks Out of North Haven*

Great news! In total, we have approximately 452 residents who have consented to the Tick Management Program. Unfortunately, however, the DEC requires the consent of 100% of homeowners within 745 feet of a 4-poster device. We believe that 100% of North Haven residents don't want ticks!!! So, we are now following up with individual homeowners for consents that we are lacking in order to deploy new 4-poster units. So if a friendly Trustee emails you, or knocks on your door with a consent form, please respond promptly in an equally friendly manner! Your health and the health of your pets could depend on it!

If you haven't already returned your consent forms, you could save us the time to track you down by clicking [HERE](#) and accessing the google forms on our website, it will take you less than 10 seconds.

Additionally, please read another extremely relevant article on ticks in the June 26th New York Times [HERE](#).

With everyone's participation, **Together We Can Kick Ticks Out of North Haven** – please help us, help you!

Update on North Haven Code Enforcement Officer

North Haven is in the process of hiring a part-time Code Enforcement Officer. The position has been advertised in local newspapers and applicants are being interviewed. Currently, North Haven utilizes Town of Southampton Code Enforcement under an Intermunicipal agreement. However, those Code Enforcement officers travel from Hampton Bays and the Board feels that having a more local resource to fulfill this role, who could be "on call" for urgent code violations, will better serve the needs of the Village.

The Village is also in the process of implementing an on-line code enforcement system for tracking and reporting code violations.

July 5th Board of Trustee Work session Recap

The Board of Trustees have been holding monthly work sessions. The purpose of the work sessions is to get input from fellow Board members on projects that individual (or teams of) Trustees are working on in order to move the projects forward towards completion or public hearings. Work sessions are open to the public but are not open to public comment. Below is a recap of the topics discussed at the July 5th work session:

- Coastal Setback Code – Trustee Diat
- Noise Code amendment – Mayor Fiore
- Kick Ticks Out Of North Haven – Trustees Diat & Abraham
- Accessory Living Spaces – Mayor Fiore & Deputy Mayor Abraham
- Bay Haven Rezoning – Mayor Fiore
- FAR Discussion – Mayor Fiore
- Code Enforcement Officer Update – Mayor Fiore & Eileen Tuohy

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