



# NORTH HAVEN NEWS

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## **Letter from Mayor Chris Fiore**

Good day everyone! Hope July is treating you well!

Lots happened at our (delayed) Board of Trustees meeting, held July 5.

Trustees Peter Boody and Terie Diat were sworn in as Trustees for two year terms. Current Trustee Dianne Skilbred was named Parks Commissioner -- a well deserved designation, especially considering the Schoolhouse grand opening she has scheduled for July 30, and her work on the advisory committee for Lovelady.

Current Deputy Mayor Class Abraham was nominated for a second year to his position.

We named Steve Hestler, a Sag Harbor resident, as the successor to Glenn Ficorilli, who, as you know, has served as our DPW go to guy for 39 years!! Glenn retires this month and we have scheduled a BBQ bash to celebrate his service to North Haven and give him a super sendoff.

Our one room schoolhouse, meticulously restored by Dianne's committee, will celebrate concurrently with a special re-opening. Look for more details in a specific Constant Contact next week.

We also voted for a consultant for the Village focusing on Beech trees. Fred Hoffman, of Bartlett Tree Service, will act as our specialist for communication on this important matter. Our Beech trees are in jeopardy of succumbing to Beech Leaf disease (and beech bark disease) and Fred will be the voice of reason for us here in North Haven. We will Constant Contact his guidance to you every other week.

Our new 501c3 Board for the Park is well motivated and working with the Advisory Committee to finalize plans for what we affectionately refer to as Lovelady Park -- they have worked with designer Sam Panton on concepts and will hopefully reveal to the community by the end of August. Stay tuned!

I met with Assemblyman Fred Thiele last week to enlist his masterful help for the following:

- a nudge to the DEC to accelerate our application for a letter of non-jurisdiction/permission for cleanup of the ponds in the parkland. As soon as we receive this, we can pursue the work we started last year and see this wonderful project to completion!
- more attention from the DOT on Route 114 from the roundabout to the ferry
- explore the possibility of a sidewalk on the north side of Ferry Road (114) between the circle and the Sag bridge. Pedestrian safety is paramount on this busy route.
- can we pursue NYS tax incentives for residents who wish to convert their conventional septic to the IA system? If we are really serious about the quality of our water, we need to convince homeowners to make the switch. Much of the cost is covered, but tax breaks, similar to the incentives for solar, would make a dramatic difference! (Tax proposals like this take a long time to materialize, and retro-activity would be important.)

We have another Board of Trustees meeting scheduled for Wednesday July 19. And as always, any thoughts or issue you want to send to me: [mayor@northhavenvillage.org](mailto:mayor@northhavenvillage.org)

Thanks and enjoy the summer!! Make good choices!  
Chris

Chris Fiore  
Mayor

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

### **Upcoming Board of Trustees Meeting**

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, July 19 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](http://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 Trustee meeting.

### **Village Updates:**

Save the Date! Sunday, July 30<sup>th</sup>, 1 p.m. – 3 p.m. **Celebration to Honor the Retirement of North Haven Village Employee Glenn Ficorilli and Grand Re-Opening of the School House** – Village Hall 335 Ferry Road – All are Welcome!

### **Updates from the July 5th Annual Board of Trustee's Reorganization Meeting:**

See agenda and appointments [HERE](#)

### **Updates from the July 5th (June meeting rescheduled) Board of Trustee's Meeting:**

See agenda [HERE](#)

Noteworthy Resolutions that were approved:

- The Board of Trustees passed a resolution to purchase 4 additional electronic speed radar signs to be deployed on village roads. These additional 4 speed radar signs are smaller in footprint than the devices currently deployed on a trailer, and on Short Beach Road. The new devices will be installed on existing speed limit signs. They will give the village the same helpful insights into traffic as the devices currently deployed. Deputy Mayor Claas Abraham, who is maintaining the devices and analyzing the data, reported an average speed reduction of approximately 5 mph in a 25 mph speed zone when a device is present.
- The Board of Trustees passed a resolution, to install a 30' flagpole in the center of the traffic circle at Route 114, Short Beach Road and Tyndall Road.



### **"Spotlight" - Glenn Ficorilli - North Haven Village Department of Public Works**

This week Glenn Ficorilli is retiring after working for the Village of North Haven for 39 years! Glenn is the cheerful guy who maintains all of the Village property, cutting the grass in the summer, plowing and sanding the roads in the winter, picking up the leaves in the fall, maintaining Village Hall, and everything else in between, all of it with a happy smile on his face!

I caught up with Glenn recently after he had just finished cutting the grass at the large Cilli field for the last time! Glenn has lived in Sag Harbor his entire life, graduating from Pierson High School, and plans to stay in his home there after retirement. Now he will have more time to pursue his interests like fishing and snowmobiling and tending his collectible cars, perhaps travelling to attend car auctions in Arizona or Florida. Glenn has also been a volunteer fireman in Sag Harbor for 47 years.

Reminiscing about his time spent working in North Haven, Glenn said that he has worked for lots of Mayors and Trustees and has never once had an argument! That certainly is a testament to Glenn's good work ethic and easy nature. Glenn was hired in 1984 by Mayor Les Demler when the Village office was in Sag Harbor over the Dime Bank. Glenn has seen many changes in North Haven including the building of the current Village Hall, as well as the more recent move and refurbishment of the old School House to its current home. Glenn has been instrumental in preparing for the grand re-opening of the school house which will take place, fittingly, on the same day as his retirement celebration on Sunday, July 30<sup>th</sup>, from 1-3 p.m. at Village Hall. All are invited to come celebrate Glenn's 39 years of service to our Village and the residents of North Haven.

We Thank You Glenn,  
for your 39 years of  
outstanding service to  
the Village of North  
Haven!

Mayor – Chris Fiore  
Deputy Mayor – Claas Abraham  
Trustee – Peter Boody  
Trustee – Terie Diat  
Trustee – Dianne Skilbred



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