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MANORHAVEN Village News

"The Pearl of Manhasset Bay"

Incorporated Village of Manorhaven - 33 Manorhaven Blvd. Port Washington NY 11050

Manorhaven Will Be 75 Years Young Year-Long Celebration Planned

Steering Committee To Be Formed Winter Holiday Festival is Cancelled

Manorhaven was incorporated in 1930 and we are going to celebrate throughout 2005 with at least three Village functions starting in the spring and continuing throughout the year. We'll celebrate the Village's 75th birthday in October.

This will be a challenging project and we will need plenty of help to make it a joyous time for all. Those of you who have been active in our past events will get a letter similar to the friendly draft letter the government sent to eighteen year old boys during the 30's through 70's.

To start things off, we need to set up a 75th Anniversary Committee as early as December. The committee will help plan the festivities. We need people with skills and expertise in promotion, planning, fund-raising, coordination of volunteers (the actual management of people to help make this all happen on the day of events.) We need people to gather historical data, pictures, documents and stories about our great village. We would like to go all out.

Some of the things already discussed are:

- A parade, starting on Shore Road through Orchard Beach Blvd.
- A fireworks display.
- Historical displays and a reenactment of the first Village Board meeting.
- Presentation of awards to long time residents and perhaps a dinner for former Manorhaven Mayors and Trustees.
- A celebration and dinner for residents 75 years old.
- A children's festival.
- An ethnic celebration day.
- A village old-time street fair and the biggest and best birthday party Port Washington has ever seen.

Our residents and business people have the talent, willingness, and knowhow to raise the resources for a successful celebration. We proved it time and again with our past halloween and fall & winter festivals. No other village on the North Shore can pull off a party like we can.

We would like the 75th Anniversary Committee to consist of least ten people who are will-

ing to share their ideas, are able to forget their personal agendas, and get to work to make this a great affair that will be remembered for another 75 years. The Village Board members, Village Staff and Commissioners are all willing to lend a hand.

Please look into your heart and help by volunteering to serve on the 75th Anniversary Committee. When the committee makes its plans, it will call on many more residents and business people to help make each event successful.

Please call the Village Hall at 883-7000 or e-mail your name and phone number to Mayor@Manorhaven.org to either volunteer for the 75th Anniversary Committee or to ask how else you can help.

We expect to have cooperation from the Port Washington schools, Fire Department, religious institutions and social and civic groups. We also invite any other organization celebrating a 75th Anniversary to join in the fun.

We have cancelled the annual Winter Holiday Festival so that we can direct all our resources and the funds already on hand to a year full of events celebrating our 75th birthday.

Mayor's Holiday Greeting

In a few short days the Village will glow with holiday lights. Whether they be red and green or blue and silver, the homes will reflect the joy of the season, regardless of which holiday is observed. To me they all portray a sense of joy, goodwill, comradeship, and most of all, love for our families and each other.

We are very fortunate that we live in this great country and this wonderful Village. We are so lucky to have the chance to make our own life choices and not have them dictated to us by others. I used to think that this season was just for children. I know now, that if we try we can be children again for a little while and forget our differences and our petty complaints. Let's remember that there are many places in the world where people can't be what they want to be, can't speak their minds, and can't enjoy the holiday season as we can.

So in this season of joy, while most of us take part in the merriment, please remember the men and women who won't be sharing the holidays with their families, and give thanks for the sacrifices they are making so that we can be home safely with our families.

As I watch the flames that leap and glow in my fireplace when the lights are low, and the glow of the holiday lights shining through my windows; the thoughts of the wonderful people who reside in this village, and the friendship and trust many of you have shown me, makes this season more blessed to me each year.

I'm hoping that you and your families have the merriest and safest holiday season and to all a Happy New Year.
God Bless us everyone!

Board of Trustees Actions

Stan Spielman, Editor

We publish a detailed list of all Board of Trustees actions so that you will know what actions your elected officials have taken or are considering. Your editor tries to explain the resolutions and the proposed Local Laws, but some are too complicated or too long to fully describe, so you might feel that you need more information than we provide here. Every proposed local law, every resolution, every document that this Newsletter mentions or refers to, is available at the Village Hall.

If you want more information:

- Come to one of Mayor Capozzi's monthly "Meet The Mayor" sessions. See page 4 for session dates.
- Call 883-7000 and make an appointment with the Mayor or a Trustee.
- Write to the editor of this Newsletter, care of the Village Hall, if you have questions on any articles that appeared or if you have suggestions for topics that you believe should be covered here.
- Under the Freedom Of Information Law, you have the right to obtain a copy of any document that exists in the Village files (except for documents that pertain to litigation and personal records). To get a copy you must fill out a request, called a FOIL. The Freedom of Information Law specifies how long the Village can take to provide you with a copy of the document you requested, and the law sets the fee that you must pay for each document the Village copies for you.

NOTES:

- If a Board action described below refers to an Introductory Local Law, or a SEQR determination, see the column on the right side of this page for a description of the Introductory Local Law and information about SEQR.
- If a Board action described below is also covered elsewhere in this newsletter in more detail, there is usually a reference to the page containing the information.
- Most proposed resolutions are voted for or against unanimously, so this Newsletter does not record how trustees voted. If a vote was not unanimous the Trustees who voted Nay will be recorded.
- Mayor Capozzi's policy is not to vote unless there is a tie among the Trustees. He believes that since he is chair of the meeting, and does not introduce resolutions (by NY State Law, all resolutions must be introduced by a Trustee), he should keep the appearance of impartiality that a chair should show. However, if the Mayor votes to break a tie, or if he votes because he believes an issue is so important that he wants his position known, his vote will be recorded here.

September 22, 2004 Public Hearing

- Held public hearings to consider the enactment of Introductory Local Laws J and K 2004, and resolved to close the public hearings.
- Continued the public hearing on the proposed site plan for Villas on Manhasset Bay and resolved to continue the public hearing.

September 22, 2004 Regular Meeting

- Resolved to declare the BOT lead agency for Introductory Local Laws J and K, and determined that the Introductory Local Laws constitute an unlisted action.
- Awarded a contract to Intercounty Paving Associates LLC, in the amount of \$100,875 for improvement of portions of Firwood and Ashwood Roads.
- Declared the week of October 3rd to 9th Firefighters Appreciation Week.
- Discussed purchase of a speed tracking radar device.
- Approved Introductory Local Law J, which added Architectural Review Board members to the list of indemnified persons.

The Manorhaven Village News

The Incorporated Village of Manorhaven

Mayor	Nicholas B. Capozzi
Deputy Mayor	Jennifer Wilson-Pines
Trustees	David N. Di Lucia John M. Di Leo Jr. James Tomlinson
Clerk/Dep Treasurer	Ronnie Shatzkamer
Treasurer/Dep Clerk	Kathy Wade
Court Clerk	Linda Clark
Building Supt	Len Baron
Editor	Stan Spielman

October 27, 2004 Public Hearing

- Continued public hearing for subdivision of 8,000 square foot property at 23 Hickory Road into two 4,000 square foot lots. Resolved to close the hearing.
- Continued public hearing for change of zone for property located at 99 Shore Road. Resolved to close the hearing with Deputy Mayor Wilson-Pines voting Nay.

October 27, 2004 Public Hearing

- A presentation was made by Rafaella Petrusek, consultant to the Port Washington Shared Visioning Process, followed by questions from the Board.
- Resolved to continue the public hearing on the site plan for Villas on Manhasset Bay on November 17th.
- Resolved to continue the public hearing on Introductory Local Law G-2002-D on November 30th.
- Resolved to continue the moratorium on new construction in the industrial zones until March 15, 2005.
- Approved the purchase of a speed monitoring device from McCoy's Law Line, Inc., for \$9,300.00.
- Resolved to declare the BOT lead agency in connection with application for subdivision of Section 4, Block 74, parts of lots 6-10 (Ashwood Road) and determined that the application is an unlisted action.
- Resolved to declare the BOT lead agency in connection with application for subdivision of property at 23 Hickory Road and determined that the application is an unlisted action.
- Resolved to employ Kathleen Glover as Administrative Assistant to the Building Department as a part time employee (15 hours per week) at the rate of \$12 per hour.
- Approved the following appointments made by the Mayor:
Reappointed Paul Boucher to the ARB for a term expiring 7/09
Appointed Mark Lazarovic to the ARB for a term expiring 7/06
Appointed Patrick Brostowin as alternate to the BZA for a term expiring 7/05
Appointed Marc Eggimann as alternate to the BZA for a term expiring 7/05
Appointed Machael Nasti to the Waterways Commission-term expires 7/05
Appointed Robert Coles to the Waterways Commission-term expires 7/06
Appointed George Martin to the Waterways Commission-term expires 7/09
Appointed Steven Wachler to the Waterways Commission-term expires 7/08

SEQR Determination

SEQR is the NY State Environmental Quality Review law. The SEQR law contains a list of actions that require certain environmental reviews. Before taking any action, such as passing a local law, or authorizing the development of a property, the Village must make a SEQR determination to identify the lead agency responsible for any necessary environmental review. In most cases the Village determines that it is the lead agency. The lead agency then determines whether the action that is going to be taken is listed under the SEQR law, because if the action is listed, certain environmental reviews are required. If the action is not listed, the action is usually considered as not having a significant impact on the environment and no further environmental steps need to be taken. Most of the time the Village determines an action is "unlisted". The Village did determine that the development of the Thypin property was a listed action and that it could have a significant environmental impact. Therefore certain studies and approvals are required before development of the property can begin.

Introductory Local Laws

G-2002 Enterprise District

This law would replace the industrial zones (I1 and I2) on Manhasset Isle with an Enterprise zone consisting of a mixture of commercial and residential properties. This proposal has had several hearings and work sessions and is still under consideration. Because of the importance and scope of this proposed rezoning, the Village retained Frederick P. Clark and Associates, an independent Planning/Development/Environment/Transportation consulting firm located in Rye, NY and Fairfield, CT, to review the Proposed Introductory Local Law, the Village Zoning Map, the Village Code, the Local Waterfront Revitalization Program (LWRP) and any base mapping and aerial photography that is available. The consultant inspected the properties and took photographs for analysis and presentation purposes and prepared a draft of their proposed suggested revisions to the Introductory Local Law. They will prepare an expanded Full Environmental Assessment Form for the Village to comply with SEQRA if one is needed.

Local Law 8 (was Introductory Local Law A-2004) was approved in order to place a moratorium on new construction in the industrial zones while the new zoning regulations are being considered. Local law K-2004 is intended to extend the moratorium.

J-2004 Indemnification of Employees

This law adds members of the Architectural Review Board to the current law that is in the Employees Chapter of the Village Code.

K-2004 Temporary Moratorium

Local Law 8 established a moratorium on new construction in the industrial zones while Introductory Local Law G-2002 was being considered. The moratorium expired at the end of August and Local Law K-2004 seeks to extend the moratorium.

It's hard to believe that the new year is almost here. Where did the summer and fall go? While our village was conducting its normal day-to-day business, our staff continued to look for new ways to give you the best service we can and to make your experience as easy and as pleasant as possible when you come to the village hall.

If you passed by recently, you saw our halloween and fall decorations. I authorized the placement of mums and other seasonal plants in the front of the village hall, along with pumpkins and corn stalks. The work was done by our road crew and their supervisor Dan Gallo, a long time village resident. They take pride in their work, and the results prove it. If you entered the building you also saw the decorating efforts of our Village Treasurer Kathy Wade. Hats off to the road crew and Kathy for coming through again so we can continue to keep our small-village atmosphere alive.

We expect to break ground in the spring for a new garage; so we hope that this will be the last year our expensive equipment will need to sit out in the elements.

The Nassau County police booth has been moved from Ashwood Road to a more central location on Manorhaven Boulevard. The work was coordinated by Superintendent of Buildings, Len Baron. Many of you told me you thought it was taking too long for the move, but you did not know that although it looked like a simple task, we needed to assemble people who had expertise in the moving of a structure, to make sure it did not collapse, and who could disconnect and reconnect electric, water and telephone services. The booth is being wired and renovated, and it should be operational by the time you get this Newsletter. We hope this pleases everyone who requested and supported the move.

In the spring through the fall, Manorhaven Park draws thousands of people to Manorhaven Blvd., and many of them are not Manorhaven residents. Our Board of Trustees felt that the police presence was too far from the park, and decided to locate the booth more centrally on Manorhaven Blvd. Let's hope that those who criticized the decision to move the booth will see the wisdom in moving it. We believe this will curtail some of the loitering that goes on in the warmer months, and will speed up the response of the police when disturbances occur in the park.

Manorhaven Park belongs to and is operated by the Town of North Hempstead and it impacts our lives for more than six months a year. I believe it enhances the village more than it detracts and I'm sure most of you think that way too.

I am happy to inform you that the Village Board authorized me to obtain a speed machine, to slow traffic down on our streets. The equipment is now being built to our specifications and

we will have it on the street as soon as it is delivered. I hope it will slow down the drivers who continue to disobey our traffic laws. My effort to educate motorists on the dangers of speeding through our streets with our traffic sign program does not seem to be enough. While our 'policeman' signs and those announcing "We Love Our Children Drive Slowly" have had some effect, I'm not pleased that our roads are still being used as raceways. I have seen our own residents fly down our streets, and have explained to them the danger they create when they speed. Perhaps we need higher fines to let people know that we mean business. I will start to look into that possibility this January when I go to Albany for the yearly mayors conference. I'm going to assign one of our trustees to investigate other avenues of dealing with the problem.

I have recently been criticized (again) in the local newspapers by letters from that small group of "concerned" people, whose latest claim is that I and the editor of your village newsletter only inform you of the positive things that go on in the village and that we keep things that are negative from you. This is not true. Our policy on giving out all the information we have is clearly stated at the top of the left-hand column on page 2 of the Manorhaven Village News. Please read it now if you're not sure of our policy. If these "concerned" letter-writers have a problem with our information policy, and they really care about our village, they should contact the editor and explain what they think is wrong with the policy and how they would like to see it improved, instead of putting down our village by making false statements in letters to local newspapers.

We have made it very clear on the last page of the Newsletter that members of this administration are available to any citizen to answer any questions. To those "concerned" people who are playing politics and who cry to outside entities instead of contacting the editor: shame on you. Your actions and the complicity of a local newspaper and a certain reporter who continues to further your negative agenda shows that for some of you the negative mayoral campaign never ends. To you so-called concerned citizens, I say, in my eight years in public service I have NEVER pleased you, no matter what I have done, no matter how things have worked out. To you it makes no difference that we have improved our village (with the help of many people) to the point that our home values, our roads, our efficient management, our sound budget, and our improved stature within the Port Washington area are at an all time high. If I issued checks to each of you for \$10,000 you still would not be happy, because your negativity has been going on for as long as forty years and you apparently don't know how to control it. Unfortunately for our residents and businesses owners, your exaggerated rhetoric and yellow journalism can affect our property values and discourage people from shopping and eating in the village (with statements like "There's chaos on Manorhaven Blvd" and "Residents are afraid to walk there" being printed in letters to the local newspa-

pers). This is like the old fairy tale "The Sky is Falling the Sky is Falling". I can assure you it isn't nor is there chaos anywhere in Manorhaven except in someone's warped mind. So now that I have told our residents about the negative things that you falsely reported, I will dare to tell them about some of the positive things that have happened in the past two months.

- Our Village Court Clerk Linda Clark secured a \$5,000 non-matching grant for equipment and software upgrades.
- The Village was notified by the State that three of our grant proposals have passed the first hurdle and we were sent applications to move to the next step to secure these state grants.
- Two Manorhaven Businesses have renovated their storefronts, improving the overall look of the village.
- We now can begin to develop our pocket park on Manorhaven Blvd. and we intend to have it done as early as weather allows.
- New street signs, donated by the Port Washington B.I.D, were put up on each corner from Shore Road through Orchard Beach Blvd.
- Two new benches that were donated to the Village by the B.I.D. will be installed in our new park.
- A new Manorhaven homeowner donated a 17-inch Dell Computer monitor to the Village after he heard we needed to replace a blown-out monitor.
- We are saving \$600 a year on law books because our clerk is an attorney and she realized that they are obtainable on the internet and that we have a high-speed internet connection for downloading.
- The Village and the Town of North Hempstead have come to the table to discuss the settlement of sewer charges owed to the Village going back to 1997 and to enter into a new contract.
- Final Site Plan public hearings have concluded concerning the Villas on Manhasset Bay. If the plans are approved they will move forward one more step to the final building and development of 96 high-end condo units, which will considerably improve our tax base.
- The Village has successfully negotiated a tentative and fair new contract with the Village Road Crew members. It is awaiting formal approval
- The Village received a \$3,500 check as a result of the fine work of our building department, which had been trying since July 2004 to prove that a residence was being used for illegal apartments. Our code inspector was able to gain access to the building and he found two floors of illegal uses. Judge Judith Paulding imposed the fine.
- We are expanding the Village web site to include the Village Board agenda before each monthly meeting. We will also post the monthly departmental reports including the Nassau County Police Department report that has been questioned by a resident so you all may see the official crime statistics.
- In the course of applying for a village credit card we were notified that the village received an excellent rating by Dun & Bradstreet, the financial reporting service.
- We sent a letter of intent to the NY State Emergency Management Office to become eligible to apply for a grant under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

Sometime in January, or very early February, I will be presenting my annual "State of the Village Address" with more specifics explaining where we are and where we will be going in 2005. Until next time, I am always at your service.

Holiday Decorating Contest

The money for this year's holiday decorating contest will be provided by the Holiday fund, so as usual, no funds will come from the Village budget. Three prizes will be awarded: \$300, \$200, and \$100 for first, second, and third place. Winners of first or second place prizes during the last three years will not be eligible to win any prizes this year, but past winners are encouraged to keep up the quality of their displays to help set the standard for this year's competition.

A panel of judges will make the selections from about December 20th through December 31st. Each home will be judged on an overall theme, not necessarily the home with the most lights or decorations.

YARD WASTE and GARBAGE COLLECTION

Yard Waste will be collected every Wednesday

You may leave out up to 10 bags per house.

Do not put out yard waste or garbage before sundown

It is against the Village Code to place garbage at the curb before 5 P.M.

Keep our Village looking beautiful

If you need a copy of our garbage regulations, contact the Village Hall

Village Offers Passport Services and Notary Public Services

You may apply for a **United States Passport** or renew your passport at the Village Office.

The Village offers **free Notary services** to residents. Bring identification with you if you need a document notarized.

Village Hot Line

This number is not a replacement for 911 or fire and police matters!

Do not use this number for complaints. Call the appropriate Village department.

Between Village Hall closing and 6pm, call Building Superintendent, Len Baron, at 852-8321

For emergencies after 6pm or on weekends/holidays, call 883-7000, extension 19.

You must leave your name, address, and phone number for verification.

A Village Official will return your call within the hour.

If you do not get a return call, phone 523-1333.

For sewer emergencies at any time the Village Hall is closed, call Len Baron at 852-8321

When walking your family pet, remember to keep it on a leash and curb it. It's the law and we will enforce it.

Using your neighbor's lawn or other property is not curbing.

Please pick up after your pet. Bacteria from your pet's waste pollutes the Bay and our drinking water.

Justice Court

If you have any questions about a summons, you may call the Court Clerk, Linda Clark. **883-7000, extension 12.**

If you wish to plead guilty to a violation, you may fill out the back of your ticket and bring it to Manorhaven Village Hall Monday to Friday from 9 am to 3 P.M..

Pay Your Parking Tickets Promptly to Avoid Increased Fines!

If you fail to answer a parking ticket within 30 days of the date of the violation, the fine will be doubled.

If you fail to answer a parking ticket within 60 days of the date of the violation, the fine will be three times the original fine.

Village of Manorhaven Web Page

The Village now has a web page.

You can get copies of forms, view parts of the Village Code, look at Village schedules, contact Village staff via email, and more.

Go to the following web address:
<http://manorhaven.org/>

VILLAGE SCHEDULES

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Fourth Wednesday of month
8:00 P.M.
Dec 15, Jan 26, Feb 23

PLANNING BOARD

As Required

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

Third Monday of month, 8:00 P.M.
Dec 20, Jan 18, Feb 15

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

Second Tuesday of month, 8:00 P.M.
Dec 13, Jan 11, Feb 8

TRAFFIC & ZONING COURT

Court convenes at 7:00 P.M.
Dec 21, Jan 25, Feb 22
For Zoning Court matters call the Court Clerk
883-7000, ext 12

Village Hall Hours

Open Monday through Friday, from 8:30 am to 4pm.

Evening Hours

First Monday of each month*
8:30am to 8pm

*If the first Monday is a holiday the office will be open on the second Monday.

Call the Village Clerk if you have any concerns or plan to come in during the evening so that she will be able to prepare an answer for you, or assemble any papers that you may need to see.

Call any time the office is open. After closing you can leave a voice mail message.

883-7000 ext. 11

Meet the Mayor

Discuss any subject with Mayor Capozzi

No Appointment Needed

Saturday from 10am-12pm

Dec 18. Call for Jan and Feb dates

**Monday from 5pm-8pm
By Appointment**

on nights Village Hall is open

Please call for an appointment. The Mayor will do the necessary research so that he can answer your questions.

You may also make an appointment to speak to the Deputy Mayor or any other Trustee who can meet with you at a mutually convenient time.

Alternate Side Parking

From 3am until 10am

on even days

Park on the even side of the street

on odd days

Park on the odd side of the street.

Check the signs at the end of your street for the parking restrictions.

Alternate side parking will be suspended on:

Fri, Dec 24, Sat, Dec 25

Fri, Dec 31, Sat, Jan 1

If it snows, alternate side parking will not be suspended