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Dear Residents of Port Washington North,

As we prepare to close out 2024 and embrace the opportunities of 2025, I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude to each of you for making our Village an extraordinary place to live. Your dedication and community spirit are the foundation of Port Washington North's success.

This year has been marked by remarkable achievements that reflect our collective efforts:

#### Securing Funding for the Accessible Playground Project:

Thanks to your unwavering support and generosity, we have successfully secured funding for our new accessible playground. This initiative underscores our commitment to inclusivity, creating a space where all children in our Village can play and grow together. We eagerly anticipate its completion and grand unveiling in the coming year.

#### Enhancing the Bay Walk:

Our cherished Bay Walk has undergone significant updates, including improved walkways, new seating areas, and enhanced lighting. These renovations make the space even more inviting, allowing residents to enjoy its beauty and embrace a more active lifestyle.

#### Welcoming New Businesses:

We are delighted to welcome several new businesses to Port Washington North. Their presence adds fresh energy to our local economy, providing exciting new services and opportunities. I encourage you to support these businesses and explore the unique contributions they bring to our community.

Looking ahead to 2025, we are committed to building on this momentum:

- Finalizing the Accessible Playground Project: Our top priority is to complete the playground project. We believe this will become a cherished space for families and a symbol of our inclusive values.
- Continued Community Development: We plan to launch new initiatives focused on sustainability, enhancing public services, and creating more community events that bring us together.
- Continuing our road resurfacing throughout the Village.
- Supporting Local Businesses: We'll continue to foster a welcoming environment for businesses, recognizing their vital role in our Village's prosperity and charm.

During this festive season, I invite you to join in the holiday events we have planned. These gatherings are wonderful opportunities to connect with neighbors, celebrate our achievements, and look forward to the future together. Your participation strengthens the bonds that make our Village so special.

As always, my office is here to listen and serve. Please don't hesitate to reach out with your ideas, questions, or concerns. Your feedback is crucial in shaping the future of Port Washington North.

Wishing you and your families a joyous holiday season and a happy, healthy New Year. May the new year 2025 bring peace, prosperity, and continued success to our wonderful community.

Warm regards, Bob Weitzner Mayor, Village of Port Washington North



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## Updates From the November 19th Board Meeting

- Our Annual Village Election will be held on 3/18/2025 from 12 noon-9pm at Village Hall. There will be a Village election for Mayor and two trustees.
- Village Wide Leaf Pickup December 3-5, residents please put leaves out on December 2
- Public Hearing for 2025 Fire & EMS Contract was set for 12/10/2024 at 7:30PM in Village Hall
- Children's Scooter Safety Reminder The concern was that these scooters are in the street and are being used at night as well as during the day, causing safety issues. Wearing reflective clothing at night is an important safety measure to increase your visibility and reduce the risk of accidents. When walking or riding a bike at night, the most important safety measure is to increase your visibility by wearing bright clothing, using reflective gear, and having proper lights on your person or bike, including a white headlight and red taillight; always be alert to your surroundings and choose well-lit routes when possible.
- Public Hearing for New Oasis Development, LLC was adjourned until 2/11/2025
- Hiring of consultant for Village Assessment services

### **Accessible Playground Idea Contributions**

This month, we proudly highlight the outstanding contribution of Michael Lyakhov, a junior at Great Neck North, to our Inclusive Playground Project. As part of the Northwell Medical Marvels Competition, Michael developed a thoughtful and innovative proposal that included both a detailed layout and narrative envisioning a playground accessible to all children. His submission exemplifies creativity, inclusivity, and a deep understanding of community needs. Michael's work not only reflects his passion for fostering equity but also inspires us to continue building spaces where every child can play and thrive. We extend our gratitude to Michael for his exemplary efforts and invite others in the community to share their ideas and feedback as we move closer to making this vision a reality.





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### Leaf Pick-Up



For many years, the Village has proudly provided leaf pickup services for our residents. These collections are scheduled annually in early November and December, with two dates approximately one month apart. This allows residents ample time to move their leaves into the street ahead of the scheduled pickup date.

However, it has come to our attention that leaves are often placed in the street by residents or landscapers after the designated pickup days. This practice creates several serious issues:

- Safety Hazards: Wet leaves can cause vehicles to skid and pedestrians to slip and fall.

- Fire Risks: Dry leaves can catch fire under vehicles or be blown onto neighboring properties or back into the streets, creating additional hazards.

We would like to remind all residents of the following guidelines to ensure safety and compliance:

Homeowners' Responsibility:

- It is the responsibility of homeowners to keep sidewalks in front of their property clear.

- Debris, including leaves, must not be placed in the street except the day before authorized pickup.

- After the Village's final leaf pickup date, residents must bag leaves and place them at the curb for removal by contracted garbage collectors.

Landscapers' Responsibility:

- Landscapers are not permitted to place leaves on the street at any time. Leaves must be collected and removed from the premises.

- Leaves may not be blown across the street or down storm drains.

Limbs and branches must be bundled and tied for collection by garbage contractors. Yard waste is normally collected on Mondays. All garbage should be left on the curb no earlier than 7pm the night before pickup. For more information on garbage and yard waste pickup, please visit the Port Washington Garbage district at:

#### WWW.PWGARBAGEDISTRICT.COM

Please take note of the dates of pickup and follow all necessary laws in order to keep our neighborhood safe and pristine. We have provided you with the December Leaf Pickup Schedule below.

#### December 3 to December 5, 2024

Angler Lane Bay Drive Cow Neck Road Marlin Lane Port Drive Sandy Court Schooner Lane Seagull Lane Boat Lane Dock Lane Driftwood Drive Fishermans Drive Island Court Seaview Lane Steamboat Drive Waterview Drive Avenue B Avenue C Channel Drive Cove Lane Durbyan Street Harbor Road Morgan Place Old Shore Road Orchard Street Pleasant Ave. Pulaski Place Radcliff Ave. Smull Place Soundview Dr. Mill Pond Road Valley Road



## Garbage Collection Company Update

We would like to inform residents that Dejana Industries, which has served as our garbage collection contractor for the past several years, has been acquired by Meadow Carting. With this change, the Dejana Industries office is now closed, and all inquiries regarding garbage collection should be directed to Meadow Carting.

For any questions or concerns, please contact Meadow Carting directly at (516) 338-0121. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation during this transition and look forward to continuing to provide reliable waste management services to our community.

Please note there will be no garbage collection on Wednesday, December 25th.

## Angler Lane Drainage Update

Our consultant, H2M Architects + Engineers, conducted a hydraulic investigation and stormwater modeling to identify the causes of flooding at the intersection of Angler Lane and Sandy Court. Their findings revealed that the storm drainage facilities in this area require reconfiguration due to an unorthodox pipe layout and obstructions. Additionally, undersized pipes along Soundview Drive contribute to the system's inefficiencies.

H2M has recommended replacing approximately 1,200 linear feet of pipe between Angler Lane and Dock Lane to address capacity issues, with further analysis needed for the configuration challenges at Angler Lane and Sandy Court.

We anticipate a design solution to be presented in January 2025 and will provide updates as we move closer to implementing a resolution. Thank you for your patience and understanding as we work to address these flooding concerns.

# Shore Road Lane Closure Update

Nassau County is making progress on the Shore Road project and wanted to provide an update on our next steps. After receiving approval from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) on August 29th, the plans for the project were finalized on September 10th. However, during initial planning discussions, the contractor expressed multiple concerns about the proposed work. To address these concerns while remaining compliant with the approved permit, they conducted several field visits, carefully working around the tide cycle.

It has since been determined that a modification to the design is necessary, which will require a permit modification from NYSDEC. To ensure timely progress, we are adopting a phased approach. In Phase 1, we will plug the hole in the wall and backfill the area to stabilize the structure. In Phase 2, scheduled for spring, we will replace the deteriorated wall to ensure long-term durability.

To minimize further delays, Nassau County has scheduled an onsite meeting with the contractor on November 7th (at low tide) to resolve all constructability concerns before proceeding with redesign and resubmission to NYSDEC. This methodical approach ensures that the project remains safe, compliant, and efficient.

We appreciate your patience and understanding as Nassau County works to improve Shore Road and enhance the long-term resilience of this critical infrastructure. We will continue to provide updates as the project progresses.