

## MANAGER'S REPORT 01/02/18

1. **ASHFORD AVE BRIDGE:** Rather than continue to insert all of the alerts in this report at each meeting, I will just encourage everyone to sign up for our electronic alerts via our website and monitor all bridge news directly from the County at:  
  
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2. **HOLIDAY SCHEDULES:** All Village Offices, including the Justice Court, the Library, the Community Center, and the Department of Public Works will be closed on Monday, January 15, 2018 in observance of Martin Luther King's birthday. There will be no refuse collection that day. There will be refuse collection for the entire village on Tuesday, January 16th.
3. **OVERNIGHT PARKING PERMITS:** Residents are reminded to renew their overnight parking permits for 2018 with the Police Desk. For applications and information, kindly telephone the Police Desk at 693-1700.
4. **ALARM PERMITS:** Residents are reminded to renew their alarm permits for 2018 with the Village Clerk. Any questions, please contact either the Police Department at 914-693-1700 or the Village Clerk at 914-693-1550.

## MANAGER'S REPORT 01/16/18

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2. **SCHOOL TAX:** Village residents are reminded that the second installment of the School tax is due on January 31. For those of you who like to pay in person at the last minute, please remember not to bring your payments to Ardsley Village Hall. Bring them directly to Greenburgh Town Hall which is located at 177 Hillside Avenue. Should you have any questions, please telephone the Town Tax Receiver's office at 989-1550.
3. **2018-19 BUDGET:** The budget process is underway! I have given the department heads their budget request packets and we are all beginning to work through these and get estimates put together on capital items.

## MANAGER'S REPORT 02/05/18

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I am happy to report that the County is expecting the bridge ramp to be open by the end of the week! This is approximately 6 months ahead of schedule.

2. **Village Hall Closing:** Village offices will be closed on February 12<sup>th</sup> and February 19<sup>th</sup> in observance of President Lincoln's and President Washington's Birthdays. Refuse will be collected throughout the entire village on Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup> and February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Please refer to the Sanitation Schedule posted on the Village's website.
3. **Water Main Breaks:** We all know that there have been a number of water main breaks in the Village this winter. Each time our highway crew has contacted Suez immediately and tried continually to follow up. Unfortunately, the response from Suez has been very slow, but we are finally seeing the repairs.
4. **Appointment:** I am pleased to say that I have hired Lindsey Luft as our new Confidential Secretary to the Village Manager effective January 29, 2018. Lindsey is completing her M.P.A. from SUNY – The College at Brockport. We extend our warm welcome to Lindsey as she begins her tenure here in the Village!

## MANAGER'S REPORT 02/20/18

1. **Budget Meeting Schedule:** We are scheduling additional meetings regarding the 2018/19 Tentative Budget on the following dates:  
March 26, 2018  
March 27, 2018  
March 29, 2018  
April 9, 2018  
April 10, 2018

Please be advised, however, that some of these dates are subject to cancellation if no longer necessary due to completion of budget review.

## MANAGER'S REPORT 03/05/18

1. **Budget Meeting Schedule:** We are scheduling additional meetings regarding the 2018/19 Tentative Budget on the following dates at 7:30PM:  
March 26, 2018  
March 27, 2018  
March 29, 2018  
April 9, 2018  
April 10, 2018

Please be advised, however, that some of these dates are subject to cancellation if no longer necessary due to completion of budget review.

2. **Storm Issues:** We have received a number of calls from residents angry over the delay in power restoration and what they perceive to be the Village's lack of response to this situation. I wanted to take a minute to relay to the public the work that typically goes on behind the scenes whenever there is a major storm or an emergency. First of all, our Highway crew prepares ahead of time for the event as best they can by such actions as readying their equipment, clearing storm drains, and checking on known problem areas. The Highway Superintendent, Police Chief and Village Manager communicate before the event on issues of resources, staffing and other related requirements to be able to handle necessary operations. During the event, there is as-needed communication between the three of us, as well as communication between the Village Manager and the Mayor and Board of Trustees. We communicate with the Westchester County Emergency Operations Center as-needed and participate on conference calls by the County EOC and/or Con Ed. On these calls we hear from State and County officials about their efforts, Con Ed representatives, and other communities who are also experiencing similar issues. We continually communicate all issues, outages, and emergency situations to Con Ed and would utilize the County EOC for resources, if necessary. Staff communicates throughout the duration of the event, as-needed, to ensure coordination of services and operations.

Please understand that our focus during these events is on the event itself – clearing snow, clearing trees and debris, ensuring public safety, etc. We understand, however, that it is not always evident to the community that we are actually working on their behalf during these events and we will try harder to communicate all that's being done so that the public is aware. Any specific needs for services that the Village can provide should be made to the police department so that we can evaluate the need and provide service as appropriate.

I can assure the public that staff, the Mayor and the Board of Trustees are doing everything we can to push for restoration of power throughout the Village, as are our County and State elected officials. Despite being a governmental entity, however, the Village has no authority over Con Ed operations.

## MANAGER'S REPORT 03/19/18

1. **2018-19 Tentative Budget:** The 2018-19 Tentative Budget has been submitted to the Village Clerk and will be posted on our website tomorrow morning, March 20<sup>th</sup>. This budget calls for a 1.35% increase on the tax rate over this current fiscal year and provides for a number of improvements and capital projects. More information can be found in the full budget document.

## MANAGER'S REPORT 04/02/18

1. **2018-19 Tentative Budget:** The Board has met and reviewed the 2018-19 Tentative Budget and has determined that no further budget meetings are required. The budget meetings originally scheduled for April will be cancelled, but the public hearing scheduled for April 2<sup>nd</sup> will take place.

## MANAGER'S REPORT 04/16/18

1. **2018-19 Budget:** The Board has made changes to the 2018-19 Tentative Budget and has it before them for the continuation of the public hearing and vote. The budget year begins June 1, 2018.
2. **Appointments:** I have made the following staff appointments:  
Kyle Lindsay – Laborer, \$57,693, effective April 30, 2018  
Anthony White - Skate Park Attendant, \$9/hr, effective 4/5/18  
Isaac Wynn - Skate Park Attendant, \$9/hr, effective 4/5/18  
Brandon Gordon - Skate Park Attendant, \$9/hr, effective 4/5/18  
Kurtlee Browne - Skate Park Attendant, \$9/hr, effective 4/5/18  
  
Keenan Doyle - Skate Park Attendant, \$9/hr, effective 4/16/18  
Max Proctor - Skate Park Attendant, \$9/hr, effective 4/16/18
3. **Con Ed Tree Removal:** Con Ed has been in the process of inspecting trees throughout their territory to determine the health of the trees and prevent future loss and damage caused by downed trees known to be unhealthy. The trees identified are in the Village Right of Way and will be removed by Con Ed in the coming weeks. We do not yet have a schedule for this work. All property owners adjacent to the public right of way in which this removal will occur, will receive letters shortly.
4. **Moody's Rating:** I am very pleased and proud to announce that the Village has just been upgraded to a Aa2 from Aa3 bond rating! Moody's has recognized the work we've done over the past few years to provide for a strong fiscal position and has rewarded those efforts with an upgrade. Ultimately, this generally translates into savings to the taxpayers when we go out to the market to fund various capital items. The full report can be found on our website. Thanks go to the present and former Mayor and Board of Trustees, staff and our financial advisor, Capital Markets, for all of the great work and cooperation the past few years.
5. **Insurance Broker:** As you can see by the resolution in the revised agenda, I have selected a new insurance broker for the Village. I believe that Arthur J. Gallagher & Co. will provide the Village with a much greater level of service and expertise and will be better able to assist us in limiting exposures and hopefully reducing costs through proactive risk management services.



## MANAGER'S REPORT 05/07/18

1. **Appointments:** I have made the following staff appointment:  
Nick Rivera - Skate Park Attendant, \$9/hr, effective 4/5/18
2. **Memorial Day Closing:** Please be advised that all Village offices, including the Library, the Community Center, the Justice Court, and the Department of Public Works will be closed on Monday, May 28, 2018 in observance of Memorial Day. Since there will be no trash collection on Monday, there will be trash collected throughout the entire Village on Tuesday, May 29, 2018. The rest of the week will follow a normal schedule.
3. **Public Service Recognition Week (May 6-12):** As I have done in the past, in honor of Public Service Recognition Week, I'd like to take a moment to acknowledge and congratulate public employees on providing the public with quality of life, and in some cases, life and death services. This holds true for all public employees, but none more so than local government employees. Municipal employees are the ones who fix and plow roads and answer emergency calls, maintain a sound fiscal position for the community, share the public's joy in births and grief in deaths by providing necessary documentation, ensure the safety of homes and businesses, and provide ever changing leisure services to improve quality of life. Our local government employees handle this work with integrity, great competency and amazing care. I applaud their work and consider myself privileged to work with all of them – in every department and for every service we provide. Thank you for a job so very well done!

## **MANAGER'S REPORT 05/21/18**

**MEMORIAL DAY PARADE:** Ardsley residents are reminded that the Ardsley's Memorial Day ceremony and parade, sponsored by American Legion Post #458, will take place on Monday, May 28, 2018 at Pascone Park. Parade steps off sharply at 10:00 a.m. from Park Avenue heading east on Ashford Avenue to Pascone Park.

**MEMORIAL DAY CLOSING:** All Village offices, including the Library, the Community Center, Court and the Department of Public Works will be closed on Monday, May 28, 2018 in observance of Memorial Day. Since there will be no refuse collection on Monday, there will be refuse collection for the entire village on Tuesday, May 29, 2018.

**TAXES ARE DUE:** The 1<sup>st</sup> half of the 2018 Village Tax is due by July 2, 2018. Payments made in person after July 2, 2018, or that arrive via mail postmarked by the USPC after July 2, 2018, or arrive thereafter without a USPC postmark, will be assessed a late penalty as required by the New York State Real Property Law. Meter-mailed postmarks are not a valid proof of timely payment. Most payments made through online banking come in without dates and will not be accepted if the envelope is not postmarked by the deadline. Please bear in mind that **no** Village official is empowered to waive the late fee for any reason.

## MANAGER'S REPORT 06/04/18

1. **Tax Payments:** The 1<sup>st</sup> half of the 2018 Village tax is due no later than July 2, 2018. Payments made in person after July 2, 2018, or that arrive via mail postmarked after July 2, 2018, or arrive thereafter without a postmark, will be assessed a late penalty as required by the New York State Real Property Law. Meter-mailed postmarks are not a valid proof of timely payment. Most payments made through online banking come in without dates and will not be accepted if the envelope is not postmarked by the deadline. Please bear in mind that **NO** Village official is empowered to waive the late fee for any reason.
2. **Appointments:** I have appointed the following individuals to seasonal positions:  
  
Robert Wooten, Jr., seasonal laborer, \$15/hour, effective June 4, 2018  
Jason Rosenfeld, seasonal laborer, \$10/hour, effective June 4, 2018
3. **Road Paving and Curbing:** We are presently in the process of working with the contractors to schedule our road paving and curbing work. Roads to be done include Prospect, Wayne and Taft. As soon as we get a schedule, we will get word out to the community.

## MANAGER'S REPORT 06/18/18

1. **Tax Payments:** The 1<sup>st</sup> half of the 2018 Village tax is due no later than July 2, 2018. Payments made in person after July 2, 2018, or that arrive via mail postmarked after July 2, 2018, or arrive thereafter without a postmark, will be assessed a late penalty as required by the New York State Real Property Law. Meter-mailed postmarks are not a valid proof of timely payment. Most payments made through online banking come in without dates and will not be accepted if the envelope is not postmarked by the deadline. Please bear in mind that **NO** Village official is empowered to waive the late fee for any reason.
2. **INDEPENDENCE DAY OBSERVANCE:** All Village offices, including the Library, the Community Center, Court, and the Department of Public Works will be closed on Wednesday, July 4, 2018. Since there will be no recyclable collection on Wednesday, there will be Village-wide recyclable collection on Thursday. The rest of the week will follow a normal collection schedule.

## MANAGER'S REPORT 07/2/18

1. **APPOINTMENTS:** I have appointed John Santos as Laborer in the Highway Department at the salary of \$57,693, effective June 18, 2018. Also, appointed the following individuals to help out this summer, effective July 2, 2018:  
Skatepark Attendants - Racheal Rabadi, Geoven Abrigo, Elisa Shah, Parker Lewis – Rate of pay \$9 per hour  
Stormwater Intern - Emanuel Caceres – Rate of pay \$9 per hour
1. **INDEPENDENCE DAY OBSERVANCE:** All Village offices, including the Library, the Community Center, Court, and the Department of Public Works will be closed on Wednesday, July 4, 2018. Since there will be no recyclable collection on Wednesday, there will be Village-wide recyclable collection on Thursday. The rest of the week will follow a normal collection schedule.

## **MANAGER'S REPORT 8/6/2018**

1. Labor Day Closing: All offices, including the Library, Community Center, Court, and the Department of Public Works will be closed on Monday, September 3, 2018 in observance of Labor Day. Since there will be no garbage collection on Monday, there will be Village-wide garbage collection on Tuesday. The rest of the week will follow a normal schedule.
2. Road Paving/Curbing: We have delayed by both Suez and Con Ed in starting our curbing and paving projects. We expect our work to start within the next week and will provide information as soon as we get a schedule from the contractor.

Also, would like to mention, since the Police Chief is here tonight the police department will be starting a one-month trial on new parking meters in Addyman Square.

### **MANAGER'S REPORT 09/04/18**

1. **Road Paving/Curbing:** Our curbing work has been completed on Taft Lane, Wayne Court and Prospect Ave. and we are now waiting for the paving contractor to schedule the work here in Ardsley. Unfortunately, they have fallen behind on their schedules. We will get notice out as soon as we have firm dates for the work.
2. **9A Repaving:** We are still waiting for a pre-construction meeting to be set up with the Town of Greenburgh and NYSDOT, but we are expecting this work to be done this Fall.

## MANAGER'S REPORT 10/1/18

1. **Road Paving/Curbing:** We are still waiting for the paving contractor to schedule the work on Taft Lane, Wayne Court and Prospect Ave. They are behind on their work because of all the rain this summer. We will get notice out as soon as we have firm dates for the work.
2. **9A Repaving:** While we had originally expected the Town of Greenburgh to complete the repaving of 9A this Fall, the Town has now put it off until next Spring.
3. **COLUMBUS DAY CLOSING:** All offices, including the Library, Community Center, Court, and Department of Public Works will be closed on Monday, October 8, 2018 in observance of Columbus Day. Since there will be no garbage collection on Monday, there will be Village-wide garbage collection on Tuesday. The rest of the week will follow a normal schedule.



## **MANAGER'S REPORT 10/15/18**

1. **Road Paving/Curbing:** As of Friday, the work on Taft Lane, Wayne Court and Prospect Ave. has been completed.

## **MANAGER'S REPORT 11/5/18**

1. **VETERANS DAY CLOSING:** Residents are reminded that Village offices, including the Justice Court, Library, Community Center, and Department of Public Works will be closed on Monday, November 12<sup>th</sup> in observance of Veterans Day. Since there will be no garbage collection on Monday, there will be Village-wide collection on Tuesday. The rest of the week will follow the normal schedule.
2. **APPOINTMENTS:** I have appointed Alex Vassalotti as a skatepark attendant effective October 15, 2018 at the rate of \$9.00 per hour.
3. **ELECTION DAY:** Please remember to go out and vote on November 6<sup>th</sup>.

## MANAGER'S REPORT 11/19/18

1. **HOLIDAY SCHEDULE:** Village Offices, including the Justice Court, Library, Community Center, and Department of Public Works will be closed on November 22nd, and 23<sup>rd</sup> for the Thanksgiving holiday. There will be double collection of recyclables on Wednesday, November 21<sup>st</sup> and there will be refuse collection for the entire Village on Saturday, November 24, 2018.
2. **TREE LIGHTING:** The annual Christmas tree lighting ceremony takes place 6:00 p.m. Saturday, December 1<sup>st</sup>. People will gather in front of the Ardsley Firehouse and walk down to Legion Park to light the tree. After the lighting, everyone is invited back to the Community Center for refreshments and music from our very own High School Select Chorus.
3. **MENORAH LIGHTING:** The lighting of the Shamash Candle will take at 7:00 p.m., Monday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at Legion Park.
4. **NEW WEBSITE:** I am pleased to let you know that we are expecting to be able to get our new website up and running by the end of the month! It has been a long time coming, but we believe it will prove to be a beneficial effort that will be well received.

## MANAGER'S REPORT 12/3/18

1. **HOLIDAY SCHEDULES:** All Village offices, including the Justice Court, the Library, the Community Center, and the Department of Public Works will be closed for a ½ day on Monday, December 24, 2018 and a ½ day on Monday, December 31, 2018. Offices will also be closed Christmas Day, December 25, 2018 and New Year's Day, January 1, 2018. There will be refuse collection for the entire village on Monday, December 24, 2018 and Monday, December 31, 2018. Please refer to the Sanitation schedule posted on the Village's website.

## MANAGER'S REPORT 12/17/18

1. **HOLIDAY SCHEDULES:** All Village offices, including the Justice Court, the Library, the Community Center, and the Department of Public Works will be closed for a ½ day on Monday, December 24, 2018 and a ½ day on Monday, December 31, 2018. Offices will also be closed Christmas Day, December 25, 2018 and New Year's Day, January 1, 2019. There will be refuse collection for the entire village on Monday, December 24, 2018 and Monday, December 31, 2018. Please refer to the Sanitation schedule posted on the Village's website.
1. **VILLAGE TAXES:** The second installment of the Village tax bill became due and payable on December 1 and can be paid without penalty until **noon** on Monday, December 31, 2018. Payments made in person after December 31, 2018, arrive via mail postmarked by the USPS after December 31, 2018, or arrive after December 31, 2018 without a postmark, will be assessed a late penalty as required by New York State Real Property law. Meter-mailed postmarks are not valid proof of timely payment. No Village official is empowered to waive the late fee for any reason