

**THE VILLAGE MEMO**

**February 2024**

**Village of Hillburn  
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**MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR – Joseph P. Tursi**

The village has recently approved funding for the replacement of the 5<sup>th</sup> Street DPW garage and the purchase of a garbage truck. Construction on the DPW garage will begin in early spring and is expected to be finished by early summer. Delivery of the garbage truck is expected early next year.

The village also took delivery of a new DPW dump truck. The truck is equipped with a snowplow and has modernized the village fleet. This allows village employees to be safer and reduces equipment failure costs; and thereby, providing residents with the services that they expect.

Engineering plans for the Veterans Memorial Park Pond Project are moving ahead. Although there is no definitive timeline for the construction portion of the project, we do expect it to begin sometime this summer.

All residents are urged to contact the Ramapo Police at 845-357-2400 to report any traffic issues, hazardous conditions, suspicious activity or persons, or anything that could affect you personally or the village on the whole. It is the duty of the Ramapo Police Department to protect and serve the residents of the village.

When I took office five years ago, I inherited a continuous battle with unscrupulous business owners who blatantly dumped toxic materials illegally on the Creelman Road property. This is an environmental disaster which threatens the local water supply and the village will continue to pursue this matter in court against those responsible. Unfortunately, the costs associated with litigating this matter are very burdensome on the village. The Village Board is adamant that this serious situation must be rectified and that the health of our residents is of utmost importance; and therefore, we will continue to fight the fight.

I have always made myself available to the residents and will continue to do so. If you have any questions or concerns feel free to call me at (845) 570-0050 or by email [iptursi@hillburn.org](mailto:iptursi@hillburn.org). Spring will soon be upon us. Please stay safe.

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**2024 VILLAGE ELECTION – Tuesday, March 19, 2024-12noon to 9:00PM - Hillburn Municipal Building, 31 Mountain Avenue**    Office to be filled:    Office of Trustee - 2 Year Term

**NOTICE:** The Village of Hillburn does not have a Voter Registration Day. To register, Voter Registration Forms (available at the Village Office) are to be submitted to the RC Board of Elections, by March 8, 2024.

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**ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING – Monday, April 1, 2024 – 7:00PM**

Meeting will be held in the Community Room, 37 5<sup>th</sup> St, commencing at 7:00PM. The Mayoral Address will be given.

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**VILLAGE BUDGET**

The 2024-2025 Tentative Village Budget is under preparation. A Public Hearing will be held in April. Notice of date and time will be published and posted. Interested residents should attend this meeting.

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**HILLBURN SENIOR CITIZENS ORGANIZATION – Diana D. DeGroat, President**

The Hillburn Senior Citizens Club, along with Spook Rock Seniors and Forever Young Seniors, enjoyed a Holiday Party at the Ramapo Senior Center in December. The members, along with Town of Ramapo Supervisor Michael Specht, enjoyed Jimmy Walsh’s musical entertainment, the games, the prizes, and the catering by Uncle Giuseppe’s.

The Club members are looking forward to some interesting programs at their meetings as well as bus trips which start in late Spring. Hillburn residents age 55+ are invited to our meetings which are held on the second Monday of the month at 1 PM in the Village Community Room.

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**HILLBURN COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM – David K. Farrison, Chair**

We are proud to name our 2024 Hillburn Community Scholarship in honor of Thomas Lyons. Tom is a longtime Hillburn resident, who has dedicated many years of service to enhancing the quality of life in our village. Scholarship applications are now available at Hillburn Village Hall and the Suffern High School Guidance Office. We encourage all eligible Hillburn students who are graduating High School this year to apply. Properly completed applications must be received by April 5th, no exceptions will be considered. Our awards ceremony will be held Saturday, June 15th, at 2pm in the Hillburn Community Room.. Donations for the Scholarship can be made by a check or money order to: The Hillburn Community Scholarship Fund, PO Box 705, Hillburn NY 10931. Good luck to our applicants and thank you for your generous donation!

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**HILLBURN FIRE DEPARTMENT – Irving Strysko, Chief**

**Important Reminders:**

- Keep hydrants in the area of your home clear of snow. (In accordance with the NYS Fire Code)
- Make sure that chimneys and fireplaces/woodburning stoves are properly cleaned and fires extinguished.
- Check batteries in smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.

Volunteers Needed. Membership applications available at the Hillburn Firehouse on Wednesdays at 7:00PM.

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**HILLBURN LADIES AUXILIARY – Tanya Cirincione, President**

**Upcoming Events:**

March 23th Hero Night – 5pm-8pm – 6” Meatball, Italian Combo, or sausage & peppers w/ dessert, chips and a drink \$15.

**Presales will be on Saturday March 9<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> from 9am-12pm in front of the post office.**

May 11<sup>th</sup> Mother’s Day Plant and Bake Sale – 9am-12pm  
Hillburn Fire Dept. 5<sup>th</sup> St.

If you are interested in joining the Hillburn Ladies Auxiliary you may inquire at any event or call (845) 323-3413 to request an application.

**Plans are being made for other fun events so keep an eye out for our flyers!**

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**IMPORTANT REMINDERS**

**Seasonal Parking Restriction**

In accordance with Village Code, parking on Village streets is prohibited as follows:

- At any time when snow is accumulating on the roadway.
- At any time after snow has accumulated on roadways but before snow has been cleared from roadways.
- Between the hours of 12:00AM and 6:00AM, if snowfall has been forecast by the National Weather Service.

**Snow Removal**

-Residents are responsible to keep sidewalks adjacent to their respective homes clear of snow and ice. Snow is not to be shoveled onto the roadway.

**Street Lights**

-Please report any street light outages to the Village Office, as soon as possible.

**Household Garbage**

-**Garbage bags must be tied** prior to being placed in proper receptacles. Receptacles are not to be placed at curbside any earlier than the night before the scheduled pick-up date and must be removed from curbside the day of pick-up.

**2024 Bulk Trash Pick-Up Schedule**

Weather permitting:      Monday, March 18<sup>th</sup>                      Monday, April 15<sup>th</sup>                      Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup>

-Small items are to be placed in a bag or box for easy collection. Do not place small items loosely on the ground.

Please do not place trash at curbside any earlier than the weekend before the scheduled pick-up date. Once the DPW has collected bulk trash from your street, you CANNOT place any additional bulk trash at curbside. Construction debris will NOT be collected and is not to be placed at curbside.

