THE VILLAGE MEMO

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Village of Hillburn 31 Mountain Avenue Hillburn, NY 10931 (845) 357-2036



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MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR - Joseph P. Tursi

<u>Veterans Memorial Park Pond</u> - Engineering is proceeding on the pond. We hope to restore this unique focal point of our Village to its original beauty and splendor. This project is being funded with the help of the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) program authorized by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and a SAM Grant.

<u>Construction of DPW Garage on 5th Street</u> – Specifications for this project are complete. The cost of this project is being partially funded through a SAM Grant; however, additional funding is required. This building will house village equipment and keep it protected from the weather.

<u>6th Street Culvert Repair</u> – This project, funded through federal and state grants, will repair damages to this vital infrastructure caused by Hurricane Ida. At present, the required NYS DEC permits are being obtained.

<u>Remediation of Property in the Creelman Road Area</u> – On 5/5/2023, an Order has been signed by the RC County Justice ordering the remediation of the site to remove contaminated debris that was illegally dumped on the property. Test wells are required to determine if the toxic material has seeped into the Ramapo River Aquifer. It is the Village Board's sincere hope that the perpetrators will adhere to this Order and that remediation will be take place expeditiously.

<u>2023 Road Improvements: Upper End of Sixth St., Intersection of Terrace Ave. & Fourth St.</u> – Bids for this project, funded through the NYS Consolidated Local Street and Highway Improvement Program (CHIPS), are returnable on 6/13/2023.

-<u>Split Rock Property</u> has been formally purchased by the Land Conservancy of New Jersey who, in turn, bestowed the property to the Ramapough Lenape Nation. I am very pleased that this historical and sacred property will be forever preserved.

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2023-2024 VILLAGE BUDGET – 2023 VILLAGE TAX BILLS

Pursuant to the Public Hearing held on 4/11/23, the Budget was adopted on 4/25/2023 reflecting a tax rate of \$4.83 per \$100 valuation – *no increase over last year's rate (\$4.83 per \$100 valuation).

The Clerk-Treasurer of the Village of Hillburn, New York has received the Tax Roll and Warrant for the collection of taxes for the 2023-2024 fiscal year; and will attend at the Village Office, 31 Mountain Avenue, in said Village from June 1, 2023 until July 1, 2023 during the regular office days from nine o'clock A.M. until three thirty P.M., for the purpose of receiving such taxes. On all taxes remaining unpaid after July 1, 2023, five percent will be added for the first month and an additional one percent for each month and fraction thereof thereafter, until November 1, 2023 at which time a certificate of unpaid taxes will be transmitted by the Village to the Treasurer of the County of Rockland for the collection of delinquent Village Taxes.

ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY PARADE & SERVICE - Monday, May 29, 2023 - 9:00AM

The Parade will originate at the Suffern Central Administration Building at 9:00AM and will proceed through the Village to the World War I Monument (corner of Lake Avenue & 4th Street) for the Memorial Day Ceremony. Please come out and show your respect and appreciation for America's heroes.

<u>Bike Decorating</u> – The Village Board encourages youth to decorate their bikes and participate in the Memorial Day Parade. Decorations are available for pick-up at the Municipal Building, 31 Mountain Avenue, Hillburn, NY (Telephone #845-357-2036). Show your patriotism and your creativity!!

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2023 HILLBURN DAY

This year will mark the 130th Anniversary of the incorporation of Village of Hillburn (1893-2023). If you would like to volunteer to serve on the 2023 Hillburn Day Planning Committee, please contact Trustee Bernadette Tarantino by texting (845) 570-1102 or sending an email to <u>batarantino@hillburn.org</u>. By working together, we can make this event a great success!

HILLBURN COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM – David K. Farrison, Chair

The Hillburn Community Scholarship Committee will host our 22nd annual Awards Ceremony on June 10th at 2pm in the Community Room. We encourage everyone to attend and celebrate this year's award recipients, as we will also pay tribute to our honoree Patricia Van Dunk. On behalf of the Scholarship Committee, I want to thank all the donors. Without their generous donations, this important community program would not be possible.

HILLBURN SENIOR CITIZENS ORGANIZATION - Diana DeGroat, President

At the May 8th meeting of Hillburn Senior Citizens Club, the award-winning Suffern High School Robotics Team brought their robot and showed what it could do.

Items the Team created on a 3-D printer were also displayed.

Club members are looking forward to our Annual Backyard Picnic in June with entertainment by Moshe and catering by Uncle Giuseppe's. A tricky tray auction will be held.

Residents age 55+ are invited to our meetings which are held on the second and fourth Mondays of the month at 3PM in the Village Community Room.

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HILLBURN FIRE DEPARTMENT - Irving Strysko, Chief

Newly Elected 2023-2024 H.F.D. Officers:

Chief:	Irving Strysko	1 st Lieutenant:	Susan Starr	Captain:	Andrew Strysko
1 st Asst. Chief:	Nelson Scott	2 nd Lieutenant:	Daniel Strysko	-	
2 nd Asst. Chief:	Shane Starr	3 rd Lieutenant:	Jonathan DeGraw		

-Now that the summer months are here please make sure to keep your barbecue grills clean and a safe distance from your home.

-Also remember to store all fuel for your lawn equipment in a safe place and in the proper type of cans.

-Anyone interested in joining the Department can stop by on Wednesday evening at 7:00PM when we drill.

HILLBURN LADIES AUXILIARY - Tanya Cirincionne, President

June 17th Tricky Tray- Sloatsburg Senior Center Liberty Rock Road Sloatsburg – Doors open at 5pm, Admission \$10.00/person, Parking and seating are limited, No children under the age of 14yrs

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

If you are interested in joining the Hillburn Ladies Auxiliary please call (845) 323-3413 to request an application.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

<u>Unregistered Vehicles</u> – In accordance with Village Code Chapter 250 - 17-G(2)(a), storage of unregistered vehicles is prohibited in all districts. Violators are subject to fines.

<u>Property Maintenance</u> – In accordance with Village Code Article I, §184-1-A, failure to keep grass/shrubbery properly trimmed is a violation. Violators are subject to fines.

<u>Reminder to Dog Owners</u> – In accordance with Village Code Chapter 65, Section 65-5-A(4), it is prohibited to allow your dog to defecate on public property without properly removing the dog waste immediately. BAGS OF DOG WASTE SHOULD BE DISPOSED OF PROPERLY IN <u>YOUR</u> TRASH RECEPTACLE AND ARE NOT TO BE THROWN ALONG THE SIDE OF THE ROAD!! Violators may be subject to fines. Please take pride in our community and have respect for your neighbors by working together to keep it clean.

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

Household Garbage - Garbage must be bagged and placed in proper receptacles. Receptacles are not to be placed at curbside any earlier than the night before the scheduled pick-up date; and <u>are to be removed from curbside the day of pick-up</u>.

2023 Bulk Trash Pick-Up Schedule

Weather permitting: Tuesday, June 20th 21st

Monday, July 17th

Monday, August

This schedule MUST be followed. Property owners who place trash at curbside any earlier than the weekend before the scheduled pick-up date are subject to penalties. 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.

Congratulations to all our Graduates!!

