

THE VILLAGE MEMO

August 2023

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

I hope you all had an enjoyable summer.

-As we have done every year, we will be continuing our paving project in the village. The intersection of Terrace Ave. and Fourth St., as well as upper Sixth St. on the west side of the village will be paved this year.

-Planning for the repair of the Sixth St. culvert has been completed and the project should be beginning soon.

-The village is also seeking funding to build a new DPW garage on Fifth St. and to replace our aging garbage truck.

-If anyone sees any illegal dumping around the village, please call the Village Office at 845-357-2036, the Ramapo Police at 845-357-2400, or the New York State Environmental Conservation Police at 518-402-8812. Illegal dumping of any kind will not be tolerated in our village.

-If you have any questions, comments, complaints or suggestions, you can reach me at 845-570-0050 or by email at jptursi@hillburn.org.

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PUBLIC HEARING – Tues., Sept. 12, 2023 – 7:15PM – RE: Introductory Local Law No. 4 of 2023 –

A local law A Local Law Enacting Certain Zoning Amendments to Chapter 250, Zoning, of the Code of the Village of Hillburn to expand the Allowable Uses in the LS Local Shopping Center zoning district”.

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FUNDING/GRANTS – Ongoing Projects:

Veterans Memorial Park Pond – A new well was drilled to restore adequate water supply for the pond. Engineer’s Report is pending. Funding for this project includes the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) program authorized by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and a SAM Grant.

Construction of DPW Garage on 5th St – Bids for this project, received on 3/14/2023, were rejected on 3/18/2023 due to the high bids. Alternate types of building construction is being reviewed. 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.

6th St Culvert Repair – This project, funded through federal & state grants, will repair damages caused by Hurricane Ida. Required Permits are being obtained and specifications for bids are being prepared.

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2023 VILLAGE TAXES

Reminder: The deadline to pay 2023 Village taxes is November 1, 2023. Taxes remain unpaid at that date will be forwarded to the County of Rockland for collection, and will be assessed additional penalty fees.

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HILLBURN DAY – Saturday, October 7, 2023 from 11:00AM to 5:00PM – Recreation Field, 77 5th Street

This year, the Village of Hillburn will be commemorating its 130th Anniversary! Come out and join the celebration that will include: DJ, Food, Bounce Houses, Caricature Drawings, Face Painting, Crafts for Kids, Tricky Tray, TV Raffle and more!! **Vendors are welcome** – Cost: \$20 a table. If interested, contact Trustee Tarantino by calling (845) 570-1102 or by email at batarantino@hillburn.com

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HILLBURN FIRE DEPARTMENT – Irving Stryko, Chief

-Volunteers needed! If anyone would like an application to join the Hillburn Fire Department, please contact Chief Irving Stryko at 845-357-2036 and leave a message with the Village office.

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HILLBURN COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM – David K. Farrison, Chair

Our twenty-first annual Awards Ceremony was held in the Community Room on June 10th. The event was very well attended, as we recognized our honoree Patricia Van Dunk for her many years of service to Hillburn youth and community in numerous volunteer roles. We were honored to have Ms. Marlo Dickman (Vice President of Suffern Central School Board) attend and deliver an inspiring Keynote Address.

The Scholarship Committee awarded a total of \$8,000.00 to five very deserving recipients. Congratulations are hereby extended to our 2023 Hillburn Community Scholarship Award Recipients; Kaya Duran, Mateusz Solbilo, Meghan Tarantino, Nevaeh Torres and Gabrielle Vaval for their achievement. We also want to congratulate all of our 2023 graduates and wish them much success as they begin their journey to achieve individual career goals. On behalf of the Scholarship Committee, a special thanks to our donors for their generous contributions and our volunteers, who make this unique community program possible.

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HILLBURN SENIOR CITIZENS ORGANIZATION – Diana D. DeGroat, President

-On August 19th, the Hillburn Senior Citizens Club went by bus to Medieval Times in Lyndhurst, New Jersey to see their show of medieval-style games, sword-fighting, and jousting. The excellent five-course dinner was eaten without silverware. A fine time was had by the members, cheering for the Blue Knight.

-Change in Meeting Schedule – Effective immediately, the Hillburn Seniors will hold only one meeting a month: 2nd Monday of the month at 1 PM. This change will be revisited in December to see if this will be made permanent. Our next meeting is Monday, September 11th at 1PM in the Community Room. Guest speakers, trips and parties are planned for the remainder of the year. We invite residents age 55+ to attend and become part of our club.

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HILLBURN LADIES AUXILIARY – Tanya Cirincionne, President

Upcoming Event: October 14th -Fire Prevention & Halloween Egg Hunt – Hillburn Youth Center

2pm-4pm Fire Prevention – 4pm Egg Hunt

\$10/child includes Candy, Prizes, Cookie Decorating and Fire Prevention Items.

COME OUT FOR SOME FAMILY FUN!

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BUILDING/FIRE INSPECTOR – Lawrence McMannis

Property Maintenance – In accordance with the Village Code, property owners are required to keep their property free of trash, and to properly maintain grass and bushes. Failure to comply will result in the issuance of a Violation Notice.

Building Permits - Prior to commencing any construction work on their property, property owners are reminded to contact the Village Office to determine if a Building Permit is needed. This will insure that the work is performed according to Code by a licensed, properly insured contractor, as required by law. Failure to obtain a Building Permit will result in penalties.

Unregistered Vehicles – 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.

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION/REMINDERS

Spotted Lantern Fly – Visit www.hillburn.org for info provided by Cornell Cooperative Extension of Rockland County.

Reminder to Dog Owners – 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 YOUR 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, Bulk Trash and Limbs/Brush Collection:

-Household Garbage: Must be bagged and placed in proper receptacles; placed at curbside no earlier than the night before the scheduled pick-up date; and, are to be removed from curbside the day of pick-up.

-2023 Bulk Trash Pick-Up Schedule - Weather permitting: Mondays: September 18th October 16th November 20th

-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.

-Small Limbs/Brush are to be tied together prior to placing at curbside. Small trimmings are to be placed in bags.

Failure to comply with the above Schedule & regulations will result in penalties, including suspension of bulk trash collection privileges.

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