

The Muttontown Wire

The Incorporated Village of Muttontown One 'Raz' Tafuro Way, Muttontown, NY 11791







Fall 2018

A Message from Mayor James Liguori

Dear Muttontown Residents:

We want to start off by thanking you for your overwhelming support during the transition. We are honored and humbled by your confidence in us.

We hope that this newsletter finds you well. The Village Trustees have been hard at work since taking office in July and we are pleased to provide you with an update. (Please check out Page 2 to learn more about where we started from and what we have done so far).

We had a very challenging situation on our hands when we first started. Our fellow trustees as well as many dedicated and determined volunteers from the community stepped up to make sure that the basic needs of residents were adequately met. We can't begin to thank our resident volunteers who put in countless hours to make sure that village business continued effectively.

We are excited to pursue long-term goals for the future and we look forward to getting your input. (Check out Page 3 for an overview of our plans for the Village).

We encourage you to visit us at village hall and get involved in our many community educational and advisory initiatives. We are moving full steam ahead and we look forward to working and serving our neighbors.

Sincerely,

Mayor James Liguori and the Board of Trustees





Muttontown Police Officers Lodico and Wallace Recognized

At the Board of Trustee meeting on October 10th Muttontown Police Officers Lodico and Wallace were recognized at the Level of Excellent Police Duty. During a severe nor'easter on March 7, 2018, Officers Lodico and Wallace responded to a call that was outside of their patrol area. The Officers' decisive actions to pursue the search beyond the call of duty saved the life of the missing person who was found unconscious and unresponsive. These distinguished officers of the Village of Muttontown who demonstrated great courage and dilgence in providing for the care and welfare of our residents deserve our praise and gratitude.



Left to right: Officer Wallace, Officer Lodico, Mayor Liguori

What We Found At Village Hall

•On July 2, when we arrived, we were notified the Village Clerk/Treasurer and the Deputy Clerk/Treasurer had resigned, the Building Department Clerk had been terminated and the sitting Trustees, whose terms were scheduled to end in 2020 had resigned their positions.



Existing Computers running outdated Microsoft XP

- •Antiquated computers unable to support modern Microsoft software with limited passwords and an infected server.
- •No transition plan in place.
- •Outdated security, camera and Building Department software
- •A website from 2005 without a content management system that was outdated and had no internal control. The village paid a high fee to an outside webmaster to post updates.
- •The Muttontown Police Department payroll had not been submitted but the other departing employees' payroll was completed.
- •A disorganized Building Department with significant backlog
- ·Limited access to bank accounts and bank statements
- •Muttontown Village Hall was in dire need of repairs and continues to have a significant rodent infestation

What We Have Done

- •Appointed three new Trustees to complete the Board: Susan Dasilva, Jeanine Todaro and Mohinder Singh
- •Appointed new members to the SARB, Zoning and Planning Boards. SARB held meetings in September and October
- •Hired an Acting Village Clerk/Treasurer: Joe Russo and a Deputy Clerk/Treasurer: Katie Dugan.
- •Hired a new Building Department Clerk: Leslie O'Neil.
- •Appointed a new Village Attorney, Keith Corbett, from Harris Beach, PLLC with significant experience in municipal law.
- •Appointed two Police Surgeons .
- •Hired two Building Inspectors/Plans Examiners.
- Appointed Associate Village Justice Nicholas Massimo
- •Hired multiple Prosecutors.
- •Many volunteers and Trustees Susan Dasilva and Brian Fagen got to work with cleaning, streamlining and completely overhauling the Building Department.





Building Department Before

Building Department After

- •With the guidance of Trustee Chris Economou, we implmented a 12 hour shift schedule for the Muttontown Police Department. This has led to less overtime and a better working environment
- •Purchased and installed new computer hardware
- •Purchased and started implementation of platform software for the clerical and Building Department
- •Simple repairs to Village Hall
- •Working on settlements in pending lawsuits where possible to save costs to the Village and protect the Village's interests.



Muttontown Bleats

- FOOD DRIVE- NOVEMBER 1ST THROUGH NOVEMBER 27TH AT VILLAGE HALL
- Day of Service/Beautification of Roadways in Spring 2019
- Logo Contest to be announced Spring 2019
- NEW VILLAGE WEBSITE COMING SOON!
- GET INVOLVED JOIN ONE OF OUR ADVISORY COMMITTEES!
- THINKING ABOUT SPRING HOME IMPROVEMENTS? START THE BUILDING PERMIT APPLICATION NOW!

Meet your Village Board of Trustees

Mayor James Liguori, MD

Sudha Prasad, MD

Deputy Mayor, Liaison to the Technology Committee and the Community Activities Committee

Susan Dasilva

Trustee, Commissioner Building Department, Liason to Budget and Finance Committee

Chris Economou, Esq

Trustee, Police Commissioner

Brian Fagen, Esq

Trustee, Commissioner Building Department, Commissioner of Highways and Roads Department

Mohinder Singh

Trustee, Fire Commissioner, Director of Finance and Budget

Jeanine Todaro

Trustee, Media Relations, Liaison to Neighborhood Outreach Committee



Brian Fagen, Susan Dasilva, Sudha Prasad, James Liguori, Chris Economou, Jeanine Todaro, Mohinder Singh

What Lies Ahead?

- •Implement a new permitting system and new Village Hall software
- •Implemented a Transition Plan to facilitate future changes of administration
- •Encourage our residents to participate in advisory groups for Outreach, Youth, Beautification, and other Community Activities. Trustees Mohinder Singh and Jeanine Todaro are leading these efforts and we look forward to reaping the benefits of their activities.
- Design and implement an Emergency Management Program
- Update the security and work conditions at Village Hall
- Streamline the Village Budget
- Modernize the village website
- Update the Muttontown Village Code
- Improve telecommunications
- Develop meaningful programs for the community



Village of Muttontown

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We are Hosting a Food Drive!

Donation boxes will be available November 1st through November 27th at Village Hall, One 'Raz' Tafuro Way.

We ask that you donate products that are in boxes, cans, or plastic bottles and do not require refrigeration.

All donations will go to support Long Island Cares, Harry Chapin Food Bank

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

In Case of Emergency Call 911

Local Emergency Services can be reached at:

Muttontown Police Department 911 or 516-364-3950

East Norwich Fire Department 516-742-3300 Jericho Volunteer Fire Department 516-931-0898 Syosset Volunteer Fire Department 516-921-0000

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