



A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Dear Fellow Residents,

I hope you enjoyed reading through the last edition of the Village of Old Westbury Newsletter.

Since its publication in the fall, we are pleased to announce the re-launch of the Village website. As described in the story below, the new site was designed to facilitate communications and access to information about Village services.

This issue also provides some very useful financial information regarding the Village's budget, including details about revenue and expenses.

I hope you find the newsletter informative. As always, I welcome your comments and suggestions. You can always call me at (516) 626-0800.

Sincerely,

Fred J. Carillo



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YOUR VILLAGE BOARD AT WORK

Village Launches New Website



As part of the Village Board of Trustees' effort to facilitate communications and access to information about Village services, we have recently launched a new website at www.villageofoldwestbury.org.

The website includes access to the Village Code and downloadable forms for use by Village residents. It also features pages on each of the Village boards that include membership and meeting times. In addition to including important notices, the site now contains a news section, where residents can access stories about Village government and view past newsletters.

Michael Malatino Appointed to International Code Council's Residential Code Development Committee



Village Building Superintendent Michael Malatino has been appointed as a member of the International Code Council's (ICC) Residential Code Development Committee. The term is for two years.

Chosen from over 2,000 candidates, Mr. Malatino will be responsible for assisting the committee in implementing the existing and latest standards and International Codes put out by the ICC, including a complete set of comprehensive, coordinated building safety and fire prevention codes.

The ICC is a member-focused association dedicated to developing model codes and standards used in the design, build and compliance process to construct safe, sustainable, affordable and resilient structures.



Congratulations to our new Board Members on their appointments:

Christopher Sauvigne
Village Trustee

Jill Shields
Member of the Planning Board

Jonathan Huzarsky
Member of the Board of Zoning Appeals

Albert Khafif
Member of the Board of Zoning Appeals

Thank You

Harvey Blau, Trustee
for your dedication and service to the Village of Old Westbury. We wish you the best of luck on your future endeavors!

Local Village Officials Come Together to Discuss Common Concerns and Reduce Costs



Mayor Fred Carillo is pictured with other local village mayors at a recent meeting.

Mayor Fred Carillo recently joined other mayors of neighboring villages at one of their regular meetings, which are organized by East Hills Mayor Michael Koblenz. The Mayors meet on a monthly basis to discuss common issues and challenges facing local villages, including finding ways to reduce the costs of providing government services.

Water Department Makes Fast Repairs of Water Main Break Near Rolling Hill

The Trustees would like to give special thanks to Water Department Superintendent Thomas O'Connor and his team for their terrific work in quickly identifying and repairing a water main break that recently occurred near Rolling Hill. They worked through the cold and snow to make the repair and ensure the leak didn't impair water pressure or supply.

Expansion of Traffic Island Beautifications Program

Due to a favorable response from the community regarding the landscaping of the island at I.U. Willets and Bacon Roads, the Trustees recently announced that it will be expanding those efforts to beautify select traffic islands throughout the Village.

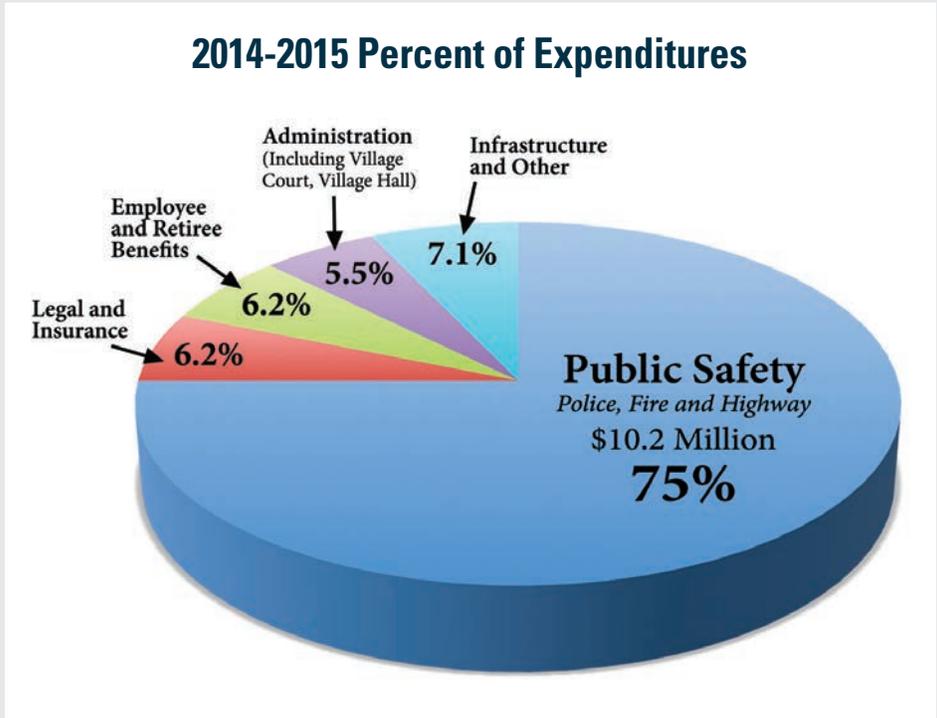


Beautification of traffic island at the intersection of Bacon and I.U. Willets Roads

Where Do My Taxpayer Dollars Go?

For 2014-15, the Village has budgeted revenues of \$13.7 million. \$10.2 million, or 75%, was budgeted to come from property tax bills. The remaining \$3.5 million, or 25%, was budgeted from other sources. Other revenue sources included water use, cell tower lease revenues, grants, user fees and fines generated by the Village Court.

As can be seen in the chart below, the vast majority of expenses (\$10.2 million, or 75%) went to public safety, including police and fire protection, and the highway department. The remaining \$3.5 million, or 25%, went to other Village services, as described in the pie chart below. Nearly all of these costs are covered by other revenues generated by the Village, rather than by property taxes.



As taxpayers, we want to know how our money is being spent, and we want assurance that government services are being provided efficiently and at the lowest cost possible.

Village residents will often contact the Village Hall with questions about their tax bill. One of the most common questions the office receives is "How are property taxes determined?"

The Nassau County Assessor determines the assessed value of each property. Your assessment represents your share of the total value of all assessments in a taxing jurisdiction, such as a school district, town or village. Assessments simply determine how the tax levy will be apportioned among all of the property owners in a taxing jurisdiction.

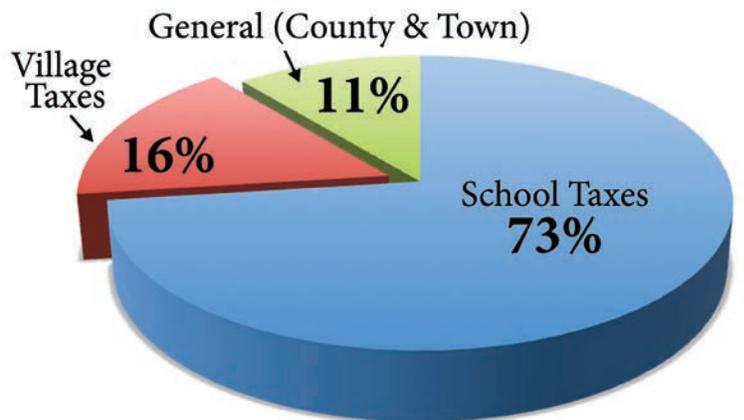
Like other villages, the Village of Old Westbury accepts the assessment of the county assessor for purposes of apportioning its taxes.

The Village has no control over the portion of taxes paid to the school district, or the general taxes paid to the county and town. Only the Village taxes are within the Village's control.

In our Village, each tax lot owner will receive three property tax bills: one for their school taxes, another for their general taxes (county and town), and a third for the Village taxes.

Resident Property Tax Bill

Percent of Property Tax Devoted to Each Taxing Entity



Remember that our Village contains three separate school districts: East Williston (Wheatley), Jericho and Westbury. So the amount each resident pays could vary by school district. We used a simple average of each of the three school districts to arrive at the numbers above.

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YOUR GUIDE TO VILLAGE GOVERNMENT

Village Police

Robert Glaser, Chief

The Village Police Department is responsible for maintaining a safe environment for residents to enjoy quality of life through the enforcement of all state, county and local laws within the Village. Phone number is 516-626-0200.

Village Court

Edward B. Joachim, Village Justice
Rita Fishman Sheena, Acting Village Justice
Maureen Dougherty, Prosecuting Attorney
Ralph Branciforte, Alternate Prosecuting Attorney
John Christopher, Alternate Prosecuting Attorney
Adam Koblenz, Alternate Prosecuting Attorney
Mary Ann Mastromarino, Court Clerk
Leah Leston, Assistant Court Clerk

The Village Court is responsible for handling judicial proceedings concerning traffic violations that occur within the Village, along with violations of local ordinances.

Water Department

Thomas O'Connor, Superintendent

The Water Department is responsible for providing safe drinking water to Village residents through quality monitoring and maintenance of the Village's water infrastructure, including six wells and storage tanks.

Building and Highway Departments

Michael Malatino, Superintendent of Buildings and Public Works
Gina Furci, Assistant to Superintendent

The Building Department is responsible for handling applications for construction within the Village, issuing building permits and Certificates of Occupancy, and enforcing the Village's building code.

The Highway Department is responsible for maintaining safe and clean roadways throughout the Village through regular road and sign maintenance and repairs. The Department also maintains roadway landscapes.

Village Board Meetings

In the event of a holiday, meetings will be rescheduled for the following day.

Board of Trustees

The Mayor and Trustees comprise the Village's Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees is the Village's governing and legislative body. The Board of Trustees also handles certain applications for special permits for commercial and institutional uses, and adopts the Village's zoning laws. **The Board of Trustees meets the third Monday of every month at 7:00pm at Village Hall.**

Planning Board

Michael Wolf, Chairman

The Village of Old Westbury Planning Board is responsible for the overall pattern of development throughout the Village. The Planning Board is charged with ensuring that future land use, development and construction activities within the Village will have a harmonious relationship with the surrounding neighborhoods, and to otherwise promote the health, safety, general welfare, comfort and convenience of the Village and its residents. The Planning Board conducts public hearings to review site plans for new homes and certain additions and alterations of existing homes within the Village. The Planning Board also provides recommendations to the Board of Trustees with respect to the development of institutional and commercial uses within the Village, and considers applications for subdivision approval. **The Planning Board meets the first Monday of every month at 8:00pm at Village Hall.**

Board of Zoning Appeals

Richard Pfadenhauer, Chairman

The Village Board of Zoning Appeals is a quasi-judicial body that considers variance applications for relief from the Village's zoning laws. The Board of Zoning Appeals is charged by New York State statute to weigh the benefit of a proposed variance against any detriments to the community at large, based upon specific criteria as set forth in New York State Law. **The Board of Zoning Appeals meets the second Monday of every month at 7:30pm at Village Hall.**

Architectural Review Board

Eric Kaltman, Chairman

The Architectural Review Board, or ARB, is charged with the preservation and promotion of the character, appearances and aesthetics of the Village and the conservation of property values of the Village by providing procedures for architectural review of the exterior of new construction and certain additions and alterations. The ARB reviews the types of materials to be used for construction, the colors proposed and the proposed landscape screening to ensure appropriate development within the Village. **The Architectural Review Board meets the third Thursday of every month at 9:00am at Village Hall.**

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9:00 am - 4:30 pm



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Commissioner of Police



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*Deputy Mayor and
Commissioner of Public Works*

Harvey Simpson
Government Liaison

Andrew Weinberg
Budget Officer

Christopher Sauvigne



Administration:
Kenneth J. Callahan
Village Administrator



You can find all of
the Village forms at:
[villageofoldwestbury.org/
forms-downloads](http://villageofoldwestbury.org/forms-downloads)