



A Message from Mayor Siry

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Greetings!

I hope you are off to a great start to the Fall season. We ended the Summer with our August Beach Blast and fireworks, and it was great to see so many people enjoying a perfect night at our beautiful bay beach.

Last week, we had a chance to get together to celebrate the 125th Anniversary of our Village, and what a weekend it was! The carnival and live music on Friday... amazing fireworks...and on Saturday, the Babylon Volunteer Fireman's Association parade that marched through our beautiful Village. We honored our dedicated Fire Department volunteers – brave men and women who provide us with fire protection and emergency medical support. We wish Dauntless Fire and Hose Company #2 which has operated since 1894, a happy 125th anniversary.

At the Village we have been working to serve your needs. Here are some of the highlights:

- **Bond Rating:** Great news! The Village's bond rating has been upgraded by Moody's Investors Service from A3 to A2, reflecting an improved financial profile over recent years. Through conservative budgeting and careful expense management, we have grown our financial reserves, all while keeping Village taxes within the tax cap. As a result, we will benefit from lower borrowing costs for future projects. Kudos to all current and former employees, board members and volunteers who have worked hard to get us to this point.
- **Streetlights:** Our new energy-efficient LED streetlights are installed. They look great and we're looking forward to lower maintenance and energy costs.
- **Road Paving:** We know that our roads have taken a beating over the past few years and are doing all we can to absorb the repairs that are needed. We recently approved \$2 million in bond financing to fund the next phase of road improvements, with bidding for paving to start shortly. Our Park Avenue paving project (near the Village triangle), paid for by grant money, will kick off soon, smoothing out the rough ride that we now have from Ireland Pl. to Greene Ave.
- **Storm Drains:** We've completed planning for the GOSR Storm and Sewer Drainage project and will be going out to bid to start work in the coming month. This project will involve repairs and installation of check valves and filters to address residential street flooding on a few of the more prone streets in the Village.
- **Grants:** A big shout out to Assemblywoman Kimberly Jean-Pierre who helped secure a \$130,000 grant to purchase three new vehicles for our Amityville Police Department. APD also secured \$9,280 to participate in the Police Traffic Services Program (seat belt usage, reduce dangerous driving behaviors) and \$1,900 to participate in a "Child Passenger Safety" program (proper use and installation of child safety seats).
- **Quality of Life** Check out our Village Code Book online and read up on regulations, like overnight on-street parking, fencing, storage of trailers, and other quality of life issues. We're also getting ready to introduce changes to our sign code and short term residential rental regulations.

- **GreenTek:** GreenTek Living apartments are coming to the former LandTek property on the south side of the LIRR tracks. Demolition of the existing structures has begun, however, the historic brick power station building will remain intact. This development project will be located within our newly formed Transit Oriented District that will put “feet on the streets” of our downtown and capitalize on our proximity to the railroad and public transportation.
- **Avalon Bay:** The vacant 7.68 acre-property that was formerly Brunswick Hospital on Broadway/Rte. 110 and Loudon Ave. is the proposed site of a 338-unit luxury rental housing complex, to be known as Avalon Bay, Amityville. The complex would feature historical architectural accents and feature a mix of studios, 1, 2 & 3 bedroom apartments and townhomes. Avalon Bay is a renowned builder of approximately 3,000 units of premier housing on Long Island. The first significant step in the project is a State Environmental Quality Review of the parcel. We are conducting a traffic study and are pursuing rezoning of the property as a Planned Residential Zoning district. To learn more, see our website.

Special thanks to the sponsors of Village Events:

Amityville Historical Society, Yacht Service, Sefi Fabricators, Vimasoft Inc., The Better Bagel, Bay Village Civic Association, and Wm. Erath & Son Inc.

Fireworks Sponsors for September 20th - Winter Brothers, The LandTek Group, Massapequa Center, Amityville Junior League, Legend Autorama, Philip Paladino, Dan Heller Plumbing and Heating, Amityville Firestone, and NAPCO Security.

Special In-Kind Donations: Gerald's Market and Small Craft Brewery

And, finally, going above and beyond: We presented proclamations recently to recognize several Village Beach lifeguards and staff who jumped to action in July to save a capsized boater and bring him to shore safely. They included: **Christopher Ronzo, Ryan Byrne, George Voigt, Hayden Shuff, Madeline DeMarco, Vincent DeMarco, Conor Nugent, Gianna Amendolara and Beach Manager Terrilynn Bayon.**

I also want to thank Suffolk County Girl Scout **Sadie Cassella**, an outstanding young woman who is pursuing her Silver Girl Scout Award. Sadie raised money this summer by selling beaded keychains at the Amityville Beach and holding car washes to purchase six heavy duty beach umbrellas for beach patrons to enjoy.

I hope you have a wonderful fall season!

Dennis Siry

Mayor

Upcoming Events:

Saturdays thru Oct.	Farmer’s Market – 9/11 Memorial Park, Broadway & Railroad Ave. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 5	Rotary Club Apple Festival @ Park Ave. School 10 a.m. 4 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 4	Movie Night Nautical Park 7 p.m.
Sunday, Oct. 6	ATA Breast Cancer Walk @ Beach 9 a.m.
Friday, Oct. 18	Spooky Faire on Park Ave. (Greene Ave.& Ireland Pl.) 5:30 p.m.– 9:30 p.m. (shopping, crafts, food, music, and more)
Saturday, Oct. 19	Amityville Memorial H.S. Homecoming Parade 12:00 starting at LIRR at Sterling Place; Football Game to follow at 1 p.m. <i>Please show your support!</i> (Bonfire the night before at baseball field, at 5:45 p.m.)
Saturday, Oct. 26	Ragamuffin Parade, starts at Broadway and Railroad Ave. (LIRR), 10 a.m. (rain date Sunday)