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Dear Residents,

I hope this finds you well! The summer is now here and our village is green and full of beautiful flowering colors. Below is some information from the Village to update you on the local happenings. I would encourage you all to attend our monthly board meetings held in Village Hall as your feedback and participation is greatly appreciated. Our meeting schedule is posted here: <http://hewlettneck.org/meetings.asp>. Thank you & looking forward to a wonderful summer.

Mayor Ross Epstein

New Village Residents: Welcome to the neighborhood! Please feel free to contact Village Hall at 516-295-1400 with any inquiries. Our Village Staff is available Monday-Friday, 8am-4pm (9am-4pm summer hours) to assist your needs.

Village Signage: We hope you like the new welcome signs at the entrances to our Village as well as the new street and stop signs. This summer we intend to install nice landscaping around the welcome signs.

Village Street Lights: You might recall we replaced our street lights about five years ago. However, we have now upgraded the bulbs to state of the art LEDs which save more than 75% on our electric bills!

House Numbers: For your safety and as required by NYS Code, please make sure that the street number of your house is posted & visible from the street (numbers should be at least 4 inches in height).

Phone Notification System: In 2013, our Village implemented a phone notification system. This has given us the ability to keep our residents informed in the event of an emergency, etc. Those residents that submitted their contact info should be receiving texts and or email(s) notifications. Please contact Village Hall to update your contact information if you have not been receiving texts/emails.

Walkers/Joggers/Bicyclists: All residents who use the Village Roads to walk, jog or ride a bike should use caution, especially at dusk or nighttime. We recommend wearing reflective/glow in the dark decals.

CO & Smoke Detectors: Village Code & local laws require that all residents have working smoke and CO detectors installed in their homes. *All detectors should be checked annually for proper operation.*

Village Safety & Security: MCS Consultants Inc. continues to provide private monitoring of our village. If you happen to see the Village Patrol Car driving around the neighborhood, please feel free to introduce yourself. Please keep the following safety tips in mind:

- Always keep your home secure and your home security system activated.
- Always keep your car doors locked.
- Never leave valuables in your car, especially in plain sight.

Residents Planning a Vacation: If you plan on being out of town please arrange the following so your home will not appear to be vacant while you are away:

- Temporarily stop your mail & newspaper delivery.
- Adjust interior & exterior timers for lighting.
- Complete a **Vacancy Premises Report** which can be obtained at Village Hall. This report is transmitted to the local police and our security patrol alerting them of your absence and providing them with important information in the event of an emergency. All information is kept confidential.

Home Construction: If you are planning to do any work to your home, we recommend that you contact Village Hall and make sure you understand your obligations and the various Village requirements that may be applicable. Complying with the Village code before performing work is a much more efficient process than trying to correct permitting issues after they occur. We recently hired a new building inspector, William Dougherty. Feel free to contact Mr. Dougherty with any questions at 516-870-2295.

Landscaping and Home Construction: Kindly be reminded of our ordinances pertaining to various types of power equipment that can be considered a nuisance:

- Power or manual lawnmowers or any power assisted gardening equipment may be used Monday-Friday, 8am-6pm and Saturdays. 9am-6pm. All such equipment is Strictly Prohibited on Sundays & Holidays except for operation by a homeowner on his own property.
- Construction, demolition, alteration or repair of any building or structure is not permitted on Sundays and holidays absent emergency conditions. **A permit is required at all times.**
- The operation of tractors, earth moving machines, cement mixers, cranes & other similar heavy machinery & construction equipment can only be operated Monday-Friday, 8am-6pm (building permits required) – such heavy equipment is strictly prohibited on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.

Should you, your landscaper or contractor desire to review the village code it is located here: <http://www.ecode360.com/HE1652>. A hard copy of the village code can be purchased at Village Hall.

Pets/Dogs: All pet owners are responsible for the behavior of their pets. If you leave your pet outside and the pet creates a nuisance the police may get notified. *Please respect your neighbors and monitor your pets to avoid any nuisance.*

House Parties & Gatherings: *If you plan to host a party outside on your property, please be mindful of your neighbors. Advance notification to your neighbors goes a long way!* If your party will require parking in the streets, you must provide notice to Village Hall as a permit for on-street parking in designated areas is required. As previously noted, our Village has a noise ordinance and will address nuisances if they occur. Please be aware that outside sound amplification is not permitted between the hours of 11pm & 8am. **Kindly respect your neighbor's rights to the peaceful enjoyment of their homes!**

HAVE A SAFE AND HEALTHY SUMMER!