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Dear Resident,

POLICE BUILDING RENOVATION

After months of planning, led by Trustee Richard MacDougall, the Board of Trustees put a proposed new Police Department building plan out for bid. Due to site size constraints as well as Nassau County Board of Health sanitary regulations, the Village Office must relocate to a yet to be determined new site. The objective of not incurring debt and using available funds to build the police office remains intact. Unfortunately, the project bids were extremely high. Thus, the Board of Trustees rejected all the bids, downscaled the project and a renovation plan for the existing building is being drafted. The plan will include an addition to accommodate a women's locker room/shower whose cost will be covered by NYS grant thanks to Senator Marcellino.

FUTURE VILLAGE HALL BUILDING TO REPLACE THE TRAILER

We are exploring options for the Village Office including renting space in Oyster Bay; purchasing a suitable structure in the Cove; or acquiring land and building an appropriate office potentially using modular construction. As with the police building, we seek the most economical long term solution to our needs. I reiterate, both projects will be financed by previously reserved funds.

LAUREL HOLLOW POLICING CONTRACT

We are in the second year of our five year contract with Laurel Hollow. By all accounts, it is a solid win for both Villages. As anticipated, the level of activity for the Villages is essentially the same.

OBC BUDGET FOR 2015

The approved budget for the coming year is \$5.3 million. For the third consecutive year, we are within the State Tax Cap. As in the past few years, fiscal restraint in budgeting remains a top priority. A year ago, I presented a pie chart showing the pieces of the entire Village budget. The Police Department represents approximately 62% of the FY 2015 budget.

POLICE DEPARTMENT OPERATING BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

All will agree that our Police Department, under Chief Cronin's leadership, does an excellent job and we are fortunate to have the officers who police our Village. As the largest line item in the total Village budget, it is important to understand how the Department's budget is allocated. The Departments top three cost line items are:

Line Item	% of Total	Employee Contribution
Cash Compensation	60	na
Health Insurance	14	0
Retirement Fund	14	<1%

This year, salaries increased over 4% in accordance with the PBA contract. Excluding the Chief, the average Police officers cash salary (without benefits) is approximately \$99,000. Health insurance premium increases are well documented in the media and the Village experience is no different. Health insurance is a Village guaranteed lifetime benefit. Our Police Officers are in a Defined Benefit Plan hence a fixed lifetime pension at retirement. Village pension costs fluctuate with the Plan's investment experience and the actuarial funding requirements of future pensions.

We will keep you posted on the Police renovation and the Village Office projects. Thank you to all who sent in email addresses. If you haven't, we urge you to send contact info via mail to the Office or OysterBayCove@optonline.net.

Have a wonderful summer.



Rosemary Bourne, Mayor

- JUNE 01, 2014: VILLAGE TAX BILLS MAILED TO RESIDENTS
- JUNE 17, 2014: VILLAGE ELECTIONS FOR TWO TRUSTEES;
EAST WOODS SCHOOL: NOON to 9PM
- JULY 01, 2014: VILLAGE TAX PAYMENT DUE AND PAYABLE FOR FY2015

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