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### 2017/2018 Village Property Tax Rate is Under the Tax Cap

Dear Friends,

Subsequent to months of review and a public hearing the Board unanimously adopted a budget for the 2017/2018 fiscal year. The Village property tax rate will be \$23.75 per \$100 of assessed valuation before exemptions. The new tax rate represents an increase of 1% over the prior year rate of \$23.50 and is within the amount of increase allowed under the State Tax Cap. A budget summary is on the reverse side.

In 2017, the average Village taxpayer will experience roughly a \$2 per month increase in Village tax, before exemptions. Head of the Harbor residents do not pay county or town taxes for the services provided by the Village such as police, highway maintenance, justice court, fire protection and EMS. In creating the Village budget our team of volunteer trustees and employees work together with the same goal - to create value for our residents by providing services within a reasonable cost structure.

Currently, the Village has no long term debt and is financially sound. In addition, the Village has adequate reserves as noted by the State Comptroller's fiscal stress test and the independent CPA's who audit the Village annually.

We will go into 2017 with a fully equipped and community minded police force. The department will have four SUV Police Interceptor's equipped with updated computers, radios, defensive equipment and AED's. In 2017, we will be in the second year of a Fire and EMS contract with the St. James Fire District.

Three Sisters Road was re-paved last year along with the Gate Road entrance area. In addition, improvements were made to the Valley Wood West cul-de-sac and to drainage along the east side of Hitherbrook Road. However, the Board is not satisfied with the rate of road re-paving and it continues to explore cost effective and financially sound ways to fund our road infrastructure improvements.

Residents will receive 2017/2018 Village Tax bills in mid-February. Village Taxes are due March 1st and can be paid without penalty by April 1, 2017. Tax bills will only be mailed to residents who do not use an escrow account with a lending institution. A receipt will be mailed after payment is received. Questions about the tax payments can be forwarded to the Village Treasurer, Pat Mulderig at 631-584-5596.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of our entire team of volunteers and employees,

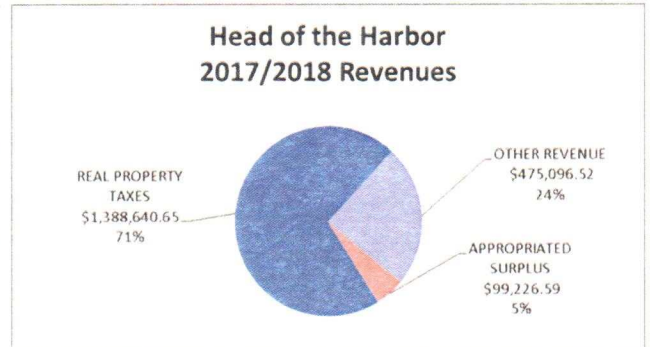
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Douglas A. Dahlgard  
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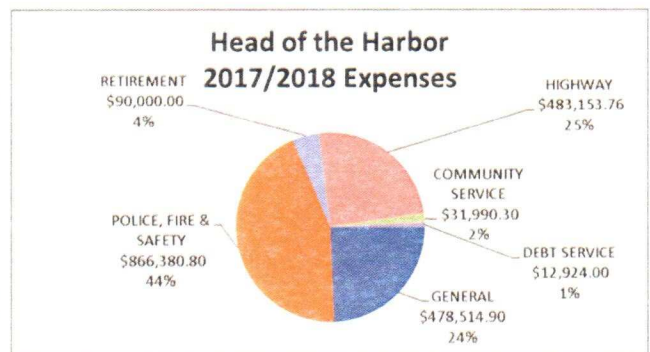
## Head of the Harbor Village Budget 2017/2018

Below is a summary of the current (2016/2017) budget and next year's budget (2017/2018). Complete copies are on file at the Village Hall, Village Clerk's Office and may be viewed during regular business hours, or on our website at [www.HeadoftheHarborNY.gov](http://www.HeadoftheHarborNY.gov).

	2016-2017	2017-2018
<b>REVENUES</b>		
REAL PROPERTY TAXES	\$1,368,822.60	\$1,388,640.65
OTHER REVENUES	446,648.91	475,096.52
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	<u>70,000.00</u>	<u>99,226.59</u>
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b><u>\$1,885,471.51</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,962,963.76</u></b>



<b>EXPENSES</b>		
GENERAL	\$395,365.16	\$478,514.90
POLICE, FIRE & SAFETY	834,160.97	866,380.80
HIGHWAY	489,620.42	483,153.76
COMMUNITY SERVICE	32,752.96	31,990.30
DEBT SERVICE	43,572.00	12,924.00
RETIREMENT	<u>90,000.00</u>	<u>90,000.00</u>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b><u>\$1,885,471.51</u></b>	<b><u>1,962,963.76</u></b>



TAX RATE	<u>\$23.50</u>	<u>\$23.75</u>
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**Village Election Day**  
Village Hall  
Tuesday, March 21, 2017  
12 noon – 9 pm

**Election Law §15-104, the Village General Election**  
is to be held on Tuesday, March 21, 2017  
the offices that are vacant at the end of the  
current official year are (2) two Trustees 2-year terms.

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