

Dear Friends,

In 1928, an election was held at the residence of George W. Bacon, Thatch Meadow Farm, to incorporate the waterfront hamlet that would come to be known as Head of the Harbor. Becoming an incorporated village allowed the residents to govern zoning laws, therefore preserving the charm of the terrain and that of Stony Brook Harbor. Elected residents governed the village voluntarily with the support of a small staff.

Today, the village has grown to an approximate population of 1,250 residents with 525 residences. Yet, the government structure is still primarily volunteer residents, and we welcome the assistance and support of all who wish to volunteer! In addition to the elected volunteer Board of Trustees and Justice, appointed volunteers include:

- Acting Justice
- Village Historian
- Zoning Board of Appeals
- Architectural Review Board
- Planning Board
- Environmental Conservation Board
- Joint Coastal Commission
- Roadsides Beautification Committee

Our dedicated and faithful full-time staff consists of our 3-member highway department and the village clerk.

Supporting the village are the following part-time employees and hired consultants who bring a wide base of experience as they also work with other agencies:

- Police Force
- Building Inspector
- Treasurer
- Attorney
- Engineer
- Grant Writer
- Environmental Consultant
- Court Clerk
- Office Assistant

The village contracts with St. James Fire Department for fire protection and EMT coverage. Intermunicipal Agreements for services are in place with the Towns of Smithtown and Brookhaven. We bid contracts for services outside the scope of village owned equipment.

Please join us on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month (except July) at 7 PM.

Truly yours,

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Douglas A. Dahlgard  
Mayor