

Village of Upper Brookville

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UPPER BROOKVILLE NEWSLETTER, September 2011

Irene

Downed trees and power lines were the calling card of Irene and a few of our Village residents were without power for over a week. Despite this, there was minimal damage to residences or personal property. Throughout the outage, in speaking to many residents, patience and cooperation were the major sentiments. As early as Sunday, August 28, as Irene was passing over, our road crew was out on the Village roads cutting trees and removing debris to allow for the flow of traffic where possible.

Since the storm, LIPA has held informational meetings to get feedback from Village officials in order to improve communication and reaction to these kinds of incidences.

LIPA made a couple of safety suggestions for residents:

*When power is lost to a home, turn off lights and electric appliances, such as stoves and ovens in use before the outage (not refrigerators), to avoid possible power surges.

*If a tree or tree limb falls on power lines, DO NOT try to remove it as the lines may be live. Rather, call LIPA immediately to do necessary removal.

Village Roads

The County project on Wolver Hollow Road is nearing completion. Since the system has been installed, we have had heavy rains which have been absorbed by the system. Thanks to the residents for their patience during the weeks of construction.

Work on Donna Drive is ongoing and barring any more severe weather, should be completed on schedule.

The Village road crew is out on Village roads continuing to clear debris from the storm. At this time we also ask residents to make sure their landscape and snow plow companies keep any debris off the Village roads. This includes fallen leaves, grass clippings and snow. Winter weather will be upon us before we know it!

Old Brookville Police Department

During Irene and its aftermath, the Old Brookville Police were patrolling the Village and directing traffic at major intersections where there was loss of power. Fortunately there were no major police or traffic incidents during this time.

Since June 1, 2011 when the one year Memorandum of Understanding was signed by the six neighboring Villages, the Mayors, acting as Police Commissioners, have been meeting at least twice a month to work toward a new contract with the OBPBA (union). We are hopeful that we can make rapid progress to that end.

Nassau Library System

Residents may recall receiving a flyer in the mail announcing a possible October 25th vote to create a special library district which would include Upper Brookville, if passed. This vote has been postponed. However, it is proposed to be reintroduced in the future.

The web site www.nassaulibrary.org/fundingdistricts explains the reason for the postponement, however, has removed information including the estimated cost to each taxpayer. Residents may want to check the web site periodically for updates.

Planning Board

The Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on October 4, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. at the Village Hall at the Planting Fields Arboretum concerning the 97.16 acre Oaks at Mill River Subdivision (the former Arthur Dean property) located on the west side of Mill River Road, in connection with the preparation of the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) relating to the development of the premises. The Planning Board will consider the applicant's alternative "conservation development" mitigation plan which would lessen the amount of excavation and filling and minimize the destruction of trees, flora and fauna, for the proposed creation of 13 lots each having an area of at least 2 acres in the relatively flat portion of the property, and the establishment of a conservation area of 55.8 acres in the slope lands which would be devoted for conservation purposes and never developed.

Reminder

Schools have opened, and school buses are again travelling our roads. With the increase in traffic of all kinds, please observe the speed limits on all roads in our Village. Safety is our most important concern. We wish you, in advance, to enjoy all the upcoming holidays safely.

Village Directory

Village Clerk, Tracy Lynch
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