

## Mayor's Report March 1, 2022

The Village and the Asharoken PBA have finalized a new 4-year contract. The agreement includes a 3% raise per year for all 4 years, an adjustment to night differential and longevity, a reduction of two days to the duty chart and a few other minor adjustments. Once again, the Village and PBA negotiated in good faith and reached an agreement that is fair for both sides.

The Village received 800 Covid home tests thanks to TOH Supervisor Ed Smyth. The tests are available for pick up at Village Hall.

The Village will hold a special meeting on March 8 at 4pm to present the tentative budget for fiscal year 2022-23 to the Board of Trustees.

The Village has begun work on the bid package for milling, repaving and striping Asharoken Avenue from Village Hall to 285 Asharoken Ave (paid for by National Grid). The Village will also mill, repave and stripe Asharoken Avenue from 355-501. The Village has a \$70,000 grant as well as CHIPS money to cover much of the cost of this section. Repaving is expected to be done in early spring.

The dune restoration project will continue in the next two weeks with the addition of an extra 1000 CYDs of sand. Snow fencing and grass planting will follow.

The road drainage project between 103 and 105 Asharoken Ave is expected to be re-started by next Tuesday.

Lastly, March is the month when the Village Osprey return from their winter homes. Keep an eye to the sky any time after March 15<sup>th</sup>. Their return is a sure sign spring and warmer days are right around the corner.