



BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS
MAYOR'S MONTHLY REPORT
22 Snug Harbor Avenue, Highlands NJ 07732
Wednesday, October 5, 2022, at 7:00 PM

The September Report is as follows. All constructions dates are weather & supply-chain permitting:

- Construction Updates
 - **North St pump upgrades** – New breaker panel is done. Waiting First Energy to connect new electric.
 - **Municipal Building** – Steel installation is continuing.
 - **South Bay & Hillside Ave** – Storm & sanitary is done next is concrete and paving.
 - **I-Bank large sanitary sewer project for Waterwitch Area Phase 1** – Waiting on materials.
 - **Snug Harbor Park Updates** - Playground area, basketball & tennis courts. Work to started 9/12.
 - **Twin Lights Terrace Gabion** –Work to start in October.
 - **Update Ederle Park** – Pre-construction meeting 8/15. Work to start in October.
 - **Marine PI Elevated Walkway West [Snug Harbor]** – Work to start in October.
 - **Waterwitch Pump Station** – Electric work in September. Prefab structure due in October
 - **Skate Park** – Application review submitted to CARFA, waiting for their ok to proceed, due by 10/17.
 - **Jones Creek** – County will do East section [Snug Harbor] after we get a CAFRA permit from DEP.
 - **171 Bay Ave EV Charging Station** – Will go out to bid in October.
 - **Portland Road Guard Rail** – Waiting on the County to repair.
- Projects Planned
 - **Update Frank Hall Park** – Joint venture with the Open Space/Lions Club/Green Team looking for grants.
 - **Update Vets Park** - Plans are with Engineering. Local Recreation grant from DCA \$75,000.
 - **Create Overlook Park [empty lot on NJSH 36]** - Plans are with Engineering.
 - **Marine PI Elevated walkway East [Sea Drift]** – CME submitted Monmouth County Open Space grant.
 - **2021 Resiliency Plan** – Completed North St Pump mitigation & Marine Place Wall painted [inside]. Received a grant for design & engineering for living shoreline & bulkhead at Veteran's Park. We are working on funding for the Snug Harbor pump and surrounding area – see below.
- Regionalization Update
 - We have agreed to go to mediation.
 - The attorneys are negotiating who will be the mediator.
- Grants/Funding Update – We were awarded **\$771,518** so far this year.
 - We are working on the FEMA BRIC [Building Resilient Infrastructure & Communities] grant funding for the Snug Harbor Pump station and to mitigate the runoff from Monmouth Hills. We will have a public meeting on this project on 10/19 at the regularly scheduled Council Meeting.
- Monmouth Hills Runoff
 - On-going discussions with Monmouth Hills HOA, State, County and Middletown officials.
 - We look forward to working on a solution together.
- Enter the Community Rating System [CRS] program for lower flood insurance.
 - Named CRS Coordinator to be Gregory R. Valesi, PE, PP, CME, CFM of CME on 11/10/21.
 - The next step is for FEMA to conduct a visit or contact the Borough to review National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) requirements.

All the best to you and yours.
Mayor Carolyn Broullon