

*******PLANDOME HEIGHTS – NEWS*******

**Manhasset/Port Washington Mayors Meet With
 NYS Assemblyman Anthony D’Urso
 Discuss Issues of Local Concern to Village Residents**

April 5, 2019 – Mayors representing residents in the Villages on the Cow Neck Peninsula, including Manhasset and Port Washington, met on Friday, April 5, 2019 with Assemblyman Anthony (“Tony”) D’Urso to discuss issues of importance to Village residents.

Participating in the meeting were Mayors Edward A.K. Adler (Sands Point), Lawrence Ceriello (Munsey Park), Barbara Donno (Plandome Manor), Nora Haagenson (Baxter Estates), Robert McNamara (Flower Hill), Thomas Minutillo (Plandome), Kenneth C. Riscica (Plandome Heights) and Robert Weitzner (Port Washington North). Together, these Mayors represent nearly half of the residents on the peninsula. Plandome Heights Mayor Kenneth C. Riscica hosted the meeting in Plandome Heights Village Hall.



Assemblyman Anthony D’Urso (center) with Mayors from Manhasset and Port Washington from left to right, Mayors Ed Adler, Larry Ceriello, Nora Haagenson, Bob Weitzner, Assemblyman D’Urso, Mayors Ken Riscica, Barbara Donno, Bob McNamara and Tom Minutillo

The Mayors thanked Assemblyman D’Urso for his advocacy in helping to reverse proposed cuts in “Aid and Incentives for Municipalities” (“AIM”) funding that the Villages receive from the NY State. The Mayors discussed the need for continued state aid and grants for infrastructure and road projects in the villages and asked D’Urso for his support in such funding and grants. Assemblyman D’Urso noted that he recently joined the membership of the Committee on Local Government in the State Assembly. The Mayors discussed the importance of D’Urso’s advocacy for local government issues on that committee.

The Mayors discussed a broad range of issues of local importance to their village residents including the Tax Cap, state aid and road grants, LIRR matters, the current discussion of legalizing marijuana, the “flood gates” proposed for the Long Island Sound at Throgs Neck and many other matters. In addition, Assemblyman D’Urso gave the Mayors an update on issues and priorities in the State. The discussion was open, candid and thorough.

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Commenting on the meeting, Mayor Kenneth C. Riscica said, "Our group of nine Mayors on the Cow Neck peninsula meets regularly to discuss issues affecting our region as well as issues that we have in common. This permits us to speak with one voice, when necessary, and to share experiences and services. We appreciate Assemblyman D'Urso taking the time to meet with us to understand our needs and concerns. Our dialog will promote a closer working relationship that helps us better serve our residents."



Working session with Assemblyman D'Urso and the Port Washington/Manhasset Mayors in Plandome Heights Village Hall

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