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Dear Friends and Neighbors:

As this holiday and new year season begins, I write to share some *reflections* on our Village.

This 2022 year has been an extraordinary, even historic, year in the Village. After 10 years of saving for our 10-Year Capital Plan, this year we *executed that Plan aggressively* to (a) obtain more grant money and (b) cut construction costs significantly. The result – we end 2022 with capital funds significant enough to enable us to invest in permanent Village infrastructure *for the first time in our 93-year history!* Our Village is now positioned to provide residents with appropriate space to do their business and to gather for social and other purposes. In addition, we are also beginning a digital records initiative, with grant funds, to better serve you.

Further, I also write to remind you that we have the lowest village taxes in Nassau County.* Our frugality, planning beyond-one-year and our extensive volunteers are our great advantage; high taxes are not our problem. A comparison to our “comparable/peer villages” is on the back side of this letter.

This combination of (a) *capital funds* and (b) *extraordinarily low Village property taxes* provide us a historic opportunity to invest in the future as we move our positive vision forward in a *comfortable way for all residents*. I am so thankful for, and optimistic about, the opportunity we built slowly over time that has come to fruition in 2022.

Thank you for your trust and confidence. Happy Holidays and Happy New Year to each of you!

It looks like 2023 is going to be a great year for our Village!

Sincerely,

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P.S. At Monday's monthly meeting I reported that we have another purchase opportunity to review and increasing interest income is increasing our capital funds.

* Excluding 2 villages that are half our size and one that lives off investments and fines, not taxes.

Plandome Heights Property Tax Levy
Compared to our 5 Comparable/Peer Villages
 (Adjusted to remove fire department *pass-thru taxes* paid in those village but not in VPH)

	<u>Total Tax</u>		
	Annual		
	Tax	VPH	VPH
<u>Total Tax Levy Analysis:</u>	<u>Levy</u>	<u>less by</u>	<u>less by</u>
Plandome Heights	355,000	0	0
Roslyn Harbor*	473,000	118,000	33%
Baxter Estates*	509,000	154,000	43%
Plandome Manor*	633,000	278,000	78%
Roslyn Estates*	994,000	639,000	180%
Saddle Rock*	971,000	616,000	174%

While the adjusted gross numbers (above) are helpful to show just how frugal VPH is, it is also useful to view the taxes per household, which is below. By any measure, with the lowest Village property taxes in the County, we surely compare favorably to our comparable/peers. And examples of our lower costs include:

- Sanitation costs - Better than our peers, 8 year summary----- **6%**
- Snow removal cost - Better than our peers, 8 year summary----- **48%**

Note: See Finance page of our website, 2022 – 23 Tentative Budget Rev 040422.

	<u>Per Household</u>			
	Annual		VPH	
	Tax Levy		%	House
<u>Per Household Analysis:</u>	<u>per</u>	<u>VPH</u>	<u>Less</u>	<u>holds</u>
	<u>Household</u>	<u>less by</u>		
Plandome Heights	1,089	0	0	326
Roslyn Harbor*	1,329	240	22%	356
Baxter Estates*	1,354	265	24%	376
Plandome Manor*	2,253	1,164	107%	281
Roslyn Estates*	2,479	1,390	128%	401
Saddle Rock*	3,664	2,575	236%	265

* Fire department pass-thru taxes were eliminated from the tax levy of these villages to be comparable with VPH (which has no Fire Department pass-thru).