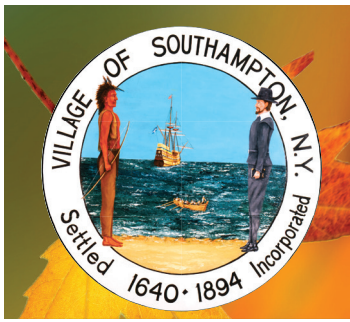




The Village News

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FALL CLEAN UP 10/29/18 THRU 12/28/18

As per Village Code, **NO CONTRACTORS** shall place or have placed any leaves on Village right-of-way. Fall leaf pickups shall be for the abutting landowner or employee thereof. Leaves will be picked up in either of the following ways:

1. Loose leaves put in long neat piles along the road edge.

NOT IN ROADWAY!

2. Leaves placed in paper Biodegradable bags. No grass clippings. Bags are available for purchase at Village Hall and various hardware stores. (plastic bags are not acceptable!!!)

No land clearing or tree and shrub pruning. Mixed piles will be passed by.

The Highway Department does NOT pick up any of the following:

- Construction debris
- Hedge clippings or hedge trimming brush of any kind
- Grass clippings
- Potted plants
- Stumps of any kind
- Iron fence posts or any type of stakes
- Rocks or dirt
- Bricks or blocks
- Cans, bottles or garbage of any kind
- Wood or brush of any kind

PLASTIC BAGS WILL NO LONGER BE PICKED UP

Disposal of these items is the responsibility of the individual property owner. In the past, many of these items have been mixed in with leaves or brush. This can cause serious injury to our workers and expensive damage to our machinery.

Your cooperation will help us to provide better service to you.

**VILLAGE OF
SOUTHAMPTON
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
631.283.2025**

Goodbye Summer, Hello Fall

As Fall approaches, it means that we have invariably finished another successful summer season. I realize that people may disagree on what makes a summer season successful, but by all measures, as in retail/restaurant sales and attendance levels, it was. Yes, there were U-turns, rude pedestrians, bad parking, speeding vehicles, bicyclists disobeying the rules of the road, green lakes, the ubiquitous construction and landscaping crews, dogs everywhere- I saw one drinking a piña colada at 75 Main...his hair was perfect, riptides, helicopters, pro golfers and their fans descending on our community, drones, warm nights, rainy days, sunburn, leaf blowers, best damn beaches in the world...aahhh, just another day livin' the dream in paradise!

As to all traffic and quality of life concerns that some people mistakenly think are being overlooked, just visit the Justice Center during traffic court and ask any of those people in the line that goes out the door of a standing room only courtroom. I do believe they would have a different take on enforcement here. We cannot catch them all, but we do catch a lot. Until we see the day when ideas are implemented such as more roads, more train tracks, parking garages, drawbridges over the Shinnecock Canal, or a giant wall, we will all have to patiently and politely endure the throngs of people who desire to come and sample a bit of the good life here. The burden of living in one of the most beautiful places on earth. It appears that one way to reduce vehicular traffic is to enter by air, and look where that got us!

On the serious side, my ten years sitting on this board has afforded me the opportunity to meet and work alongside some of the smartest and most talented people around. I have served with many people, and I have now worked with two administrations. I find that we all have an innate desire to do what's right for our community, though we may see different ways on how to achieve that common goal. This current BOT has passed much legislation to improve and preserve our Village. We log many hours, along with our partners on the other boards to ensure everyone's concerns are heard and addressed.

Never will there be a time where everyone is pleased with an outcome, but at least there is a fair and just forum for one to be heard in.

We are regrettably about to lose two of those talented public servants. After twelve years as our

Village Administrator, Stephen Funsch is retiring. He has been a consummate professional, who has always been an excellent sounding board to the residents, employees, board members, and two Mayors. He has served admirably, and no one could put out a better excel spreadsheet than him. He has been a trusted personal advisor and friend who I will miss.

Our other departing member is none other than our Building Inspector, Jonathan Foster, after serving us for thirty years. He has endured many administrations, code changes, changing public sentiment, and he has survived it all with a smile and a familiar quip or two. Jon was both intuitive and controversial—the perfect public servant. He can now take his sacred scrolls off to New England and enjoy his well-deserved retirement.

As always, I thank you for the privilege to serve. Let's all enjoy the Fall.



*Rich Yastrzemski
Trustee*



Steve Phillips, Parks Supervisor, Trustee Nancy McGann, Mayor Michael Irving, Steve Funsch, Village Administrator and Gary Goleski, Superintendent, DPW at the new basketball courts installed behind Lola Prentice Park that were requested by Village residents.

Employees of the Month



August - John Flick
Parks Department



August - Thomas Rewinski
Parks Department



September - Brian Doroska
Highway Department



October - Jon Foster
Building Inspector



November - Julie Fitzgerald
Assistant to the Mayor

Letter from the Mayor

Summer in Southamptton got off to a big start with the opening of the US Open at The Shinnecock Hills Golf Club. The Village was very much a part of the Open with participating shops, restaurants and providing ground transportation from Agawam Park to the Golf Club. The transit population swelled, day-trippers and renters alike made the Village & beach their destination. July and August experienced good weather and the trend continued. While the shops and restaurants did well, there was a very negative impact on the water quality of the many ponds and Lake Agawam in the Village where we experienced outbreaks of Blue Green Algae. Over the years we have been well aware of this issue and the Village has taken an aggressive approach in containing surface water run off. We recently have installed and are continuing to install catch basins in an effort to capture storm water before reaching the ponds and lake. We even addressed code changes to restrict home sizes, lot coverage, bedrooms and parking requirements with the intent of reducing nitrogen loading from increased densities. In 2009 the Village began a study of its business center completing & implementing code changes in 2013 in an effort to preserve the historic fabric of the Village and knowing the need for a commercial septic system. Prior to 2005, the Village looked at a gravitational system with the intent of possibly utilizing the Hospital treatment plant. In 2005 Cameron Engineering also presented a feasibility study for a vacuum sewerage system

for the Village. In 2014 H2M presented the Village with a low-pressure system. All these studies & plans are available on our Village web site and worth taking the time to review.

Here we are in 2018 once again looking at what needs to be done. Now that we have zoning in place, we have legislated I/A systems in designated priority and low priority areas, housing density has been controlled, bubblers have been installed at key points in Lake Agawam, roads and catch basins have scheduled cleaning and with today's technology there is the possibility of smaller septic pod systems that can be install behind businesses. There is no better time to address this issue. I believe we can bring private and public parties together in partnership to grow the Village in a healthy manner while protecting our environment. Controlling storm water, ground water, nitrogen loading, septic and bottom sediments is a huge endeavor and is going to require a community effort. There is no better community than the Village of Southamptton to take a proactive approach in addressing water quality. It is a large task for which I have full confidence that in a partnership we can address the issue.



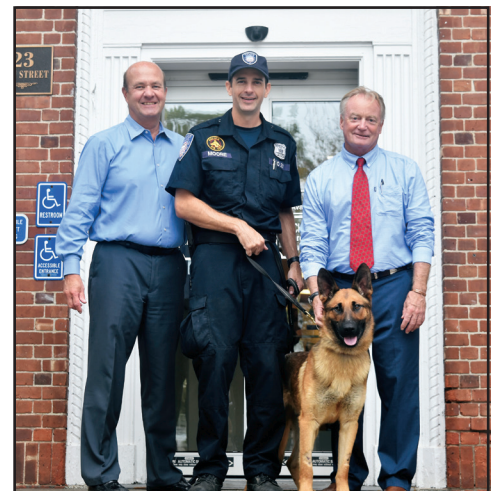
Mayor Michael G. Irving



The Village's annual Sandcastle Contest at Coopers Beach on September 1st featured a wide array of creative castles and prizes donated by local merchants.



Karen Connolly, Stacy Quarty, Susie Roden, Brittany Passavia, Buddy Wines, Trustee Nancy McGann and Mayor Michael Irving at the Pink Tree Lighting Ceremony in recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness Month and in honor of Kim Wines.



Southamptton Village has brought back its Police K-9 unit with the addition of Topper, a 14 month German Shepherd/Belgian Malinois mix who will be partnered with Officer James Moore, pictured here with Village Administrator Stephen Funsch and Mayor Michael Irving.

NOVEMBER

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
 FALL BACK Turn back your clocks on November 4th & check the batteries in smoke detectors and CO ² alarms.			1	2
PB 5:30 pm 5	PC 5 pm 6	7	BOT 6 pm 8	9
Veteran's Day (observed) 12	ZBA 6 pm 13	14	ZBA 6 pm 15	16
19	BOT 6 pm 20	21	Thanksgiving 22	23
PB 5 pm ARB 7 pm 26	27	28	29	30

DECEMBER

PB 5:30 pm 3	4	5	PC 5 pm 6	7
ARB 7 pm 10	11	12	BOT 6 pm 13	14
17	ZBA 6 pm 18	19	20	21
24	Christmas 25	26	ZBA 6 pm 27	28
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JANUARY 2019

	New Years Day 1	2	PC 5 pm 3	4
PB 5:30 pm 7	8	9	BOT 6 pm 10	11
ARB 7pm 14	ZBA 6 pm 15	16	17	18
Martin Luther King Day 21	BOT 6 pm 22	23	ZBA 6 pm 24	25
PB 5 pm ARB 7pm 28	29	30	31	

BOT: Board of Trustees PB: Planning Board ZBA: Zoning Board of Appeals
PC: Planning Commission ARB: Architectural Review Board

Happy Retirement!

On behalf of myself and the Board of Trustees, we want to take this opportunity to bid farewell to two integral and long-standing members of our Village family who are opening new chapters of their lives:

JON FOSTER and **STEVE FUNSCH**.



*Building Inspector
Jon Foster
with Mayor
Michael Irving.*

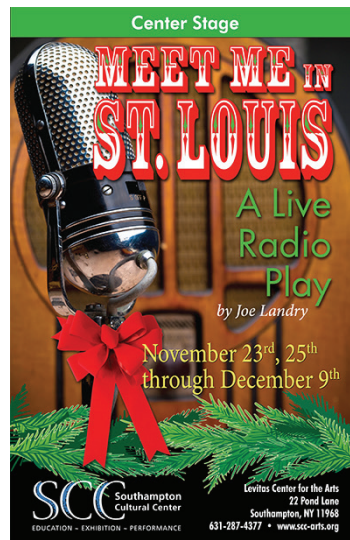
Jon Foster, our Building Inspector, has devoted 30 years of service to the Village. Many years ago in attendance of a Board meeting where Mr. Foster was questioned about an application he responded in a very blunt manner; I looked over at the attorney next to me and he simply said, "You got to love him". I have mumbled this comment to myself many times. Jon, thank you for your service to the Village and we all wish you the best with your future endeavors.

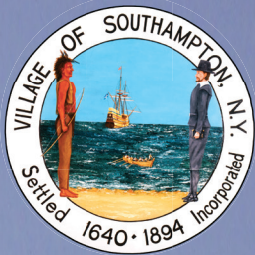


*Village
Administrator
Steve Funsch
with Mayor
Michael Irving.*

Then there is **Steve Funsch**, our Village Administrator, who is on his second try at retirement. An individual as capable as Steve is going to find remaining retired difficult. He has brought a degree of professionalism to the Administration Office of the Village that is going to be difficult to replace. Steve is not only a gentleman of outstanding character but also a gifted professional in everything he does. Steve, the Village is going to miss you and I the confidence I have in your office. We wish you the very best in success in your new chapter.

Michael Irving, Mayor





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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN SOUTHAMPTON VILLAGE

VETERANS DAY PARADE & SERVICE

Presented by Commission on
Veterans Patriotic Events

Monday, November 12 • 10:45 AM

Short parade from the First Presbyterian
Church down Jobs Lane to Agawam
Park for a ceremony at 11:00 am



POLAR BEAR PLUNGE

Presented by Heart of the Hamptons

Saturday, December 8 • 10:00 AM
Coopers Beach

Support our Southampton community
at the 15th annual Polar Bear Plunge
and Get Freezin' For a Good Reason!

PARADE OF LIGHTS & TREE LIGHTING

Sponsored by Southampton Chamber
of Commerce and the Southampton
Christmas Decorations Committee

Saturday, November 24 • 5:00 PM
Agawam Park

With a Spectacular Fireworks Display,
followed by Holiday Reception &
visit with Santa at Southampton
Cultural Center

HORSE AND BUGGY RIDES

Presented by Southampton
Christmas Decorations Committee

Saturdays, Nov. 24, Dec. 8, 15 & 22
12:30 to 3:30 PM

IT'S A WONDERFUL VILLAGE

Presented by Southampton
Chamber of Commerce

Saturday, December 1 • 76 Main St
Carolers, Music, visit with Santa and
Horse & Buggy Rides