

Village of Baxter Estates Residents' Handbook



A Guide to Life and Laws in the Village

The Residents' Handbook for the Incorporated Village of Baxter Estates does not purport to set forth the exact provisions of any laws at present in effect within the Village. If any Village law or ordinance, as written, conflicts with any part of this handbook, the law, as enacted by the Board of Trustees, controls.

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A History

The History of Baxter Estates dates back to the days before the arrival of the first European settlers when the Matinecock Indians lived on the entire peninsula. The Indians were hunters and fishermen and caused the early settlers little difficulty. Eventually, many were employed by the Cow Neck seafarers as sailors.

By the mid-17th century, the permanent settlement of Cow Neck was established. The area was so named because the land was enclosed as common pasture for cattle belonging to farmers owning large tracts of land. Its growth was very slow in pre-Revolutionary days.

One of the earliest homesteads on Cow Neck, built in 1673 by John Betts and Robert Hutchings, stood at the corner of today's Central Drive and Shore Road overlooking Manhasset Bay. In 1741 or 1743, the home was purchased by Oliver Baxter. An early survey of the Baxter land shows an Indian wigwam located near Baxter Pond, evidence that an entire wigwam village probably existed on the very site of this house. The Baxters, who were ship builders, sea captains, whalers, and blacksmiths, retained ownership of the house until the end of the 19th century. Hessian troops were quartered in the house during the Revolutionary War. In 1895, the first library of Port Washington met in the parlor of the Baxter house on Shore Road. The Baxter family and house were a proud part of the history of our Village.

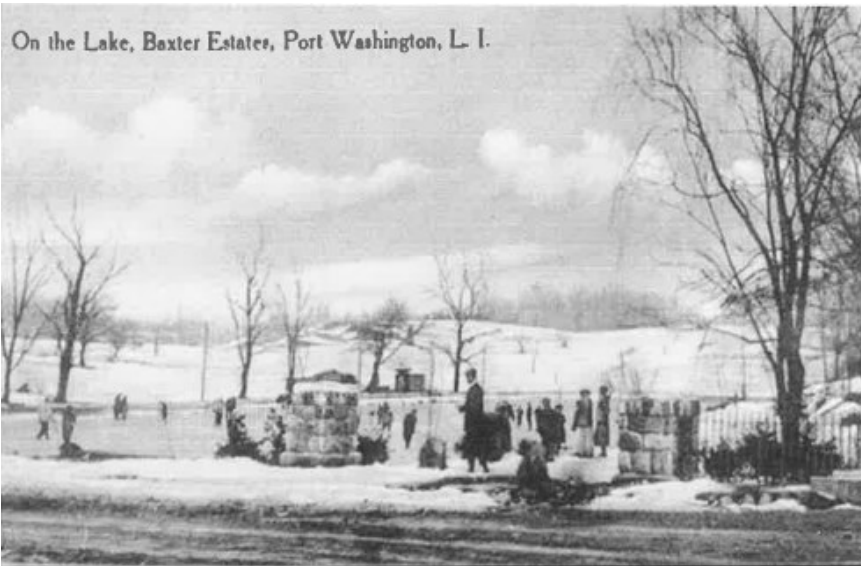
It was estimated that until 1840 fewer than 200 people lived on the entire peninsula. Small as it was, the farming community needed a general store. The first such store was opened by Thomas McKee on the corner of Harbor Road and Shore Road. The original structure was torn down in the early 1900's.

The corner was also the location of Port's first post office, which officially opened on July 12, 1859. Thomas McKee was the first postmaster, and among his successors were Alfred Bayles and Ida Baxter, both prominent in our Village's history. The mail was carried there by horse cart twice a day from Great Neck, where the railroad ended.

Sand mining was a familiar occupation in the Port area, yet few realized that approximately one fifth of Baxter Estates was once used for sand mining. At the turn of the century, the land behind McKee's store was a sand bank, as was the entire village shoreline. A small dock, constructed over what is now the village-owned beach, ran from the head of the excavation out to the station where the sand barges were moored, waiting to transport the sand. Travel on that section of Shore Road was slow, dusty, and very noisy. A.C. Bayles, one of Port's large land owners in its early days, once said of the sand bank in Baxter Estates, "The property from long before my coming in 1869, presented an appearance as rough as one could imagine, being bounded from the north and south side of the Mill Pond...with a high bluff of loam and gravel covered

with scrub oak, cedars, and briars, some fifty feet or more high upon which no buildings could be erected. The entire farm was of little value, hardly able to pay taxes which, at the time, were small.” Mr. Bayles firmly believed that the sand mining operation made the development of Baxter Estates possible.

Today one of Baxter Estates’ biggest assets is the beautiful, hilly nature of the village that was partially carved from a sand bank. In 1910 Charles (Buck) Hyde, one of the leading realtors of Baxter Estates’ homesites, described the Village as “...a private estate divided into homesites of exceptional desirability...in natural beauty, in location, this property is extremely fortunate...” The residents today would agree with those words from the early Hyde and Baxter promotion pamphlet. The pamphlet went on to describe Baxter Estates as “...an all year round homeplace, delightful in summer – yet the winter season holds much charm... the long rolling grades afford fine coasting, the lakes excellent skating...” Those were the days of sleighing as a winter pastime for all ages. Skating on Baxter Pond was great fun, providing the skaters were willing to clear the ice first. Bonfires burned along the pond’s shoreline, illuminating the skaters by night.



Baxter Pond Postcard

After the LIRR was extended from Great Neck to Port in 1898, newcomers began settling around lower Main Street, quickly making this area the new hub of the community. The commuters’ arrival added a new class of people to the town; the original arrivals were humorously referred to as “clamdiggers” and the new arrivals were called “commuters”. Lower Main Street, as we know it today, was quite different around the turn of the 19th century and earlier. The dirt road known as Flower Hill Avenue ran straight to the Town Dock, the

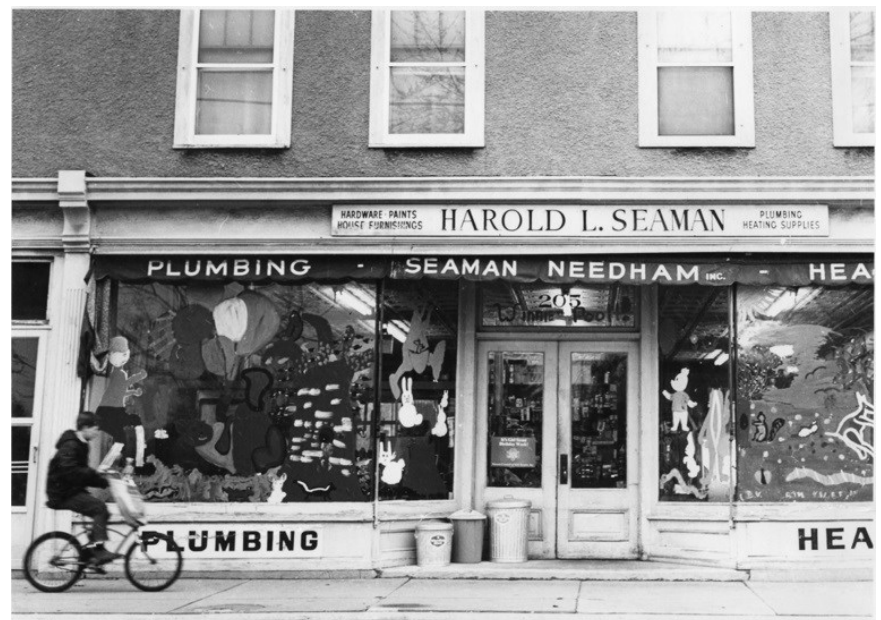
curve being added in 1850. In 1912 the entire street was renamed Main Street.

Main Street also comprised a segment of the trolley line, made famous by Fontaine Fox and his comic strip, “The Toonerville Trolley”. The line opened in 1908 and ran from Port to Mineola. Although the local terminal was near the Manhasset Bay Yacht Club, it often made a stop at the Cove Inn, on the corner of Main Street and Shore Road. The Trolley stopped running after a blizzard in February 1920.

Today many of the early 20th century and older buildings still exist on the “Village side” of lower Main Street, and many owners have maintained the charm and character of these structures by preserving their original facades as much as possible. The history of Baxter Estates is linked to many of these historic structures and locations.

The building which is presently occupied by Finn MacCool’s Restaurant is believed to be the second oldest commercial building in Port. It was built by George Bauer who moved his hardware business here in 1908. A section of the store sold penny candy and ice cream, mainly to the children of Main Street School. In 1916, Harold Seaman opened his plumbing and heating business. The “Seaman and Needham Building”, although extensively remodeled, has retained the flavor of its past.

The prominent position on Main Street of the Port Washington Public Library was once the location of the Methodist Church. The Church was built in 1884



Seaman and Needham Building

and occupied that site until 1967 when the library purchased the property. The new library, having come a long way from its humble beginning in Ida Baxter's parlor, opened its doors in June of 1970. The Village is very proud to have one of the oldest houses of worship, and the library, located within its boundaries.

Past the library, between Shield's Hardware store and the former Ziedel's clothing store, built in the 1920's, the block retains many original buildings constructed in the late 1800's to early 1900's. The painted, brick building housing the Evergreen Salon Co., 277 Main Street, was the original home of Hyde and Baxter Real Estate, which played a key role in the development of Baxter Estates after 1910. Two additional brick buildings adjoin 277 Main Street; all three are in contrast to the wood frame buildings of the 19th century. Sam Ziedel, brother of Sol Ziedel, built 275 Main Street. After World War I, Frank B. Smith, a well-known real estate and insurance agent, built 273 Main Street, which used to house Leebolt Printing, but is now the home of the Local Market. The building with the mansard roof at 279 Main Street was built in the 1870's and is said to be the oldest business building in Port. It was the Port Washington Meat Market, operated by Theodore Morgan in the 1800's and by Henry Seaman in the 1900's. Next door was Barney Jacob's Dry Good Store at 283 Main Street, which today houses the popular Shish-Kebab Restaurant. The McKee Building, 287-289 Main Street, was originally a blacksmith shop, but is best remembered as a general store. George McKee, son of Thomas McKee, the Mill Pond store proprietor, opened his establishment in the late 1800's. Members of the McKee family occupied the apartment over the store until the 1980's.

A charming hotel once stood at the corner of Main Street and Shore Road. This building, originally named Old Heidelberg, was built in 1872 by Gideon Seaman. Thereafter, it was renamed the Central Hotel, later the Cove Inn, and in 1911 it got its last name change, The Old Heidelberg. It was demolished in 1933. The Town of North Hempstead Board met here before moving to its Manhasset building in 1907. What a lovely corner it must have been, with the hotel and its sprawling porch on two sides, and the big, whitewashed trees lining Main Street and Shore Road. The site is now the home of the Mediterranean Marketplace.

About the same time as the hotel was built in 1872, the Bayles Building was erected. In 1876, Alfred C. Bayles established his drugstore with Allen Baxter, of the Baxter family, of 15 Shore Road. The first telephone in town, which served the entire community for some time, was installed in that building in 1885. On May 8, 1902, the Bayles Building and five others were destroyed in a fire. All buildings in the Village on the north side of lower Main Street were constructed after that fire. The present Bayles Building was built in 1916; however, the small clapboard building at 305 Main Street, presently Spivak Custom Design Associates, was built soon after the fire to provide a place for



Lower Main Street, showing the New Bayles Building

Bayles to operate his pharmacy and shoe store until the brick building was completed. At the time of his death in 1941 at the age of 95, he was the oldest pharmacist in New York State.

Delvan's Ice Cream Store, constructed in 1906, owned and operated by "Dell" Van Wicklen, was one of the most popular gathering places in town for all ages. The building, situated at 307 Main Street, looks much like it did in 1910. Imagine sitting on "Dell's" porch on the side of the building, sipping a five-cent ice cream soda and looking out over the bay. The house at 315 Main Street, the current Village Hall, was not built until 1913, so the view from "Dell's" porch would have been perfect. Bolton's Harbor Hardware occupied this building until the early 1970's when it relocated across Main Street.

The house at 315 Main Street was built by the widow of Allen H. Baxter for herself and her son, John J. Bird and his family. It came to be called the "Bird House" and was later occupied by many different groups. The Cow Neck Peninsula Historical Society had its first permanent home here, later becoming the Nassau Council of Girl Scout's location, then the Water Pollution Control District before it was leased and then purchased by the Village in December 2013.

Another notable "first" for the Village was the construction of the Pierre Apartments at 125 Main Street. It was named for the contractor and real estate promoter who built the structure, Pierre J.J. Pellaton.

The Village of Baxter Estates was incorporated in 1931. In 1930 the Village of Manorhaven was formed after it became dissatisfied with the zoning code of



Bird House, pictured from the backyard

the Town. Baxter Estates feared being annexed by Manorhaven and incorporated to avoid substantial taxes that would have been incurred had annexation been allowed.

The first female lawyer in Nassau County, Carolyn B. Dissosway, a long-time resident of Baxter Estates, was primarily responsible for securing the 100 signatures required and filing the incorporation papers. Following her death in 1974 at 90 years of age, she was honored by the Village with a memorial plaque and a tree planted on Library grounds.

The growth of the Village over the past fifty years has been carefully monitored through strict zoning and other ordinances. Preserving our distinctive residential area and the historical charm of the small business district are primary concerns of the Boards as well as the majority of the residents residing here.

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Village Government

Baxter Estates is one of 30 incorporated village in the Town of North Hempstead, County of Nassau. It ranks second smallest in size according to area (109 acres) and has one of the smallest population sizes. In the 1980 census, Baxter Estates was recorded with 911 residents, and 1,050 as of the 2020 census. The Village is in the Third Congressional District. For the N.Y. State Legislature, the Village is represented in the 16th Assembly District and in the 7th Senatorial District.

Some of the benefits of living in a village include zoning protection, control of construction through local building permits, curbside leaf pick-up, road maintenance, street sweeping, and snow removal. As a result of this local control, there can be greater efficiency that leads to lower taxes.

The Village of Baxter Estates is governed by a Board of Trustees, containing three Trustees, a Deputy Mayor, and the Mayor, all unsalaried and elected officials. A spot on the board is a two-year term with elections held the third Tuesday in March. The Mayor and two trustees are elected in odd-numbered years and the other two trustees in even-numbered years. Any resident may vote who is 18 years of age, a U.S. citizen, has been a resident of the state and village for at least thirty (30) days, and is registered to vote in Nassau County.

The Board meets at 7:30PM on the first Wednesday of each month. All meetings are held in the Village Office at 315 Main Street, and are open to the public.

Board members all serve on various committees pertaining to Village affairs; these include Public Works, Snow Removal, Road Commissioner and more. In addition, Board members are always available to the public by leaving a message at the Village Office during normal business hours or by writing a letter and addressing it to the Board of Trustees.

The Mayor, with the approval of the Board, appoints officials, fills vacancies as requested, and appoints members to the Zoning Board of Appeals, Planning Board, Tree Commission and volunteer positions such as Manhasset Bay Protection Committee Representative, Village Historian and Flag Master.

The Village Clerk-Treasurer, a full-time position, is responsible for all public and board meetings for the Board of Trustees, Zoning Board of Appeals, and Planning Board. The Clerk-Treasurer is in charge of authorizing Village expenditures, preparing the yearly budget, preparing the tax roll, facilitating elections, among other administrative and fiscal duties.

The Deputy Clerk, a full-time position, works with and supports the Village Clerk-Treasurer by assisting with all administrative functions of the Village. The most important role is to run the Building Department by maintaining plans and property files, calendaring all inspections, appointments and



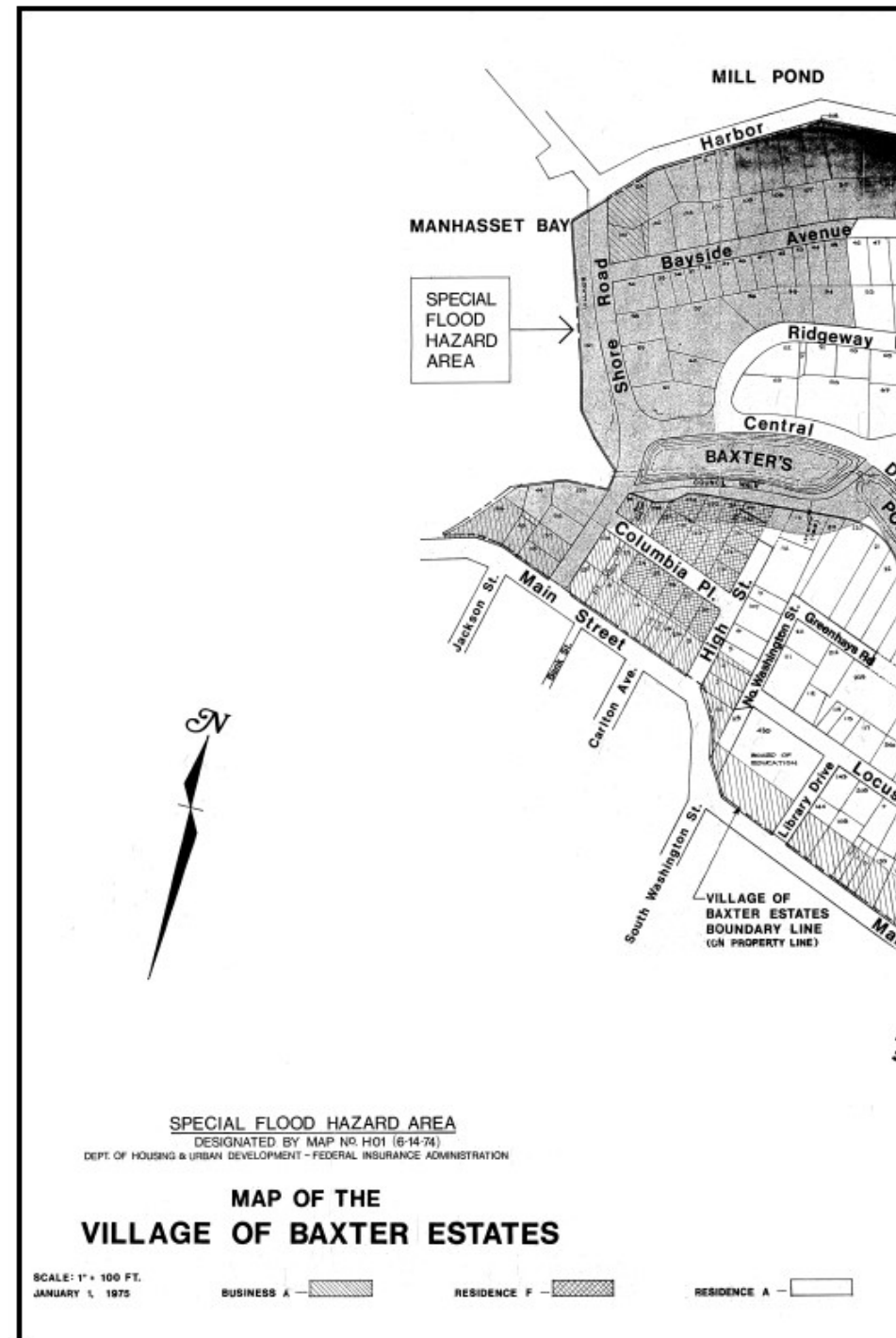
Baxter Pond in Winter, December 2020—Picture by Paul Mauriello

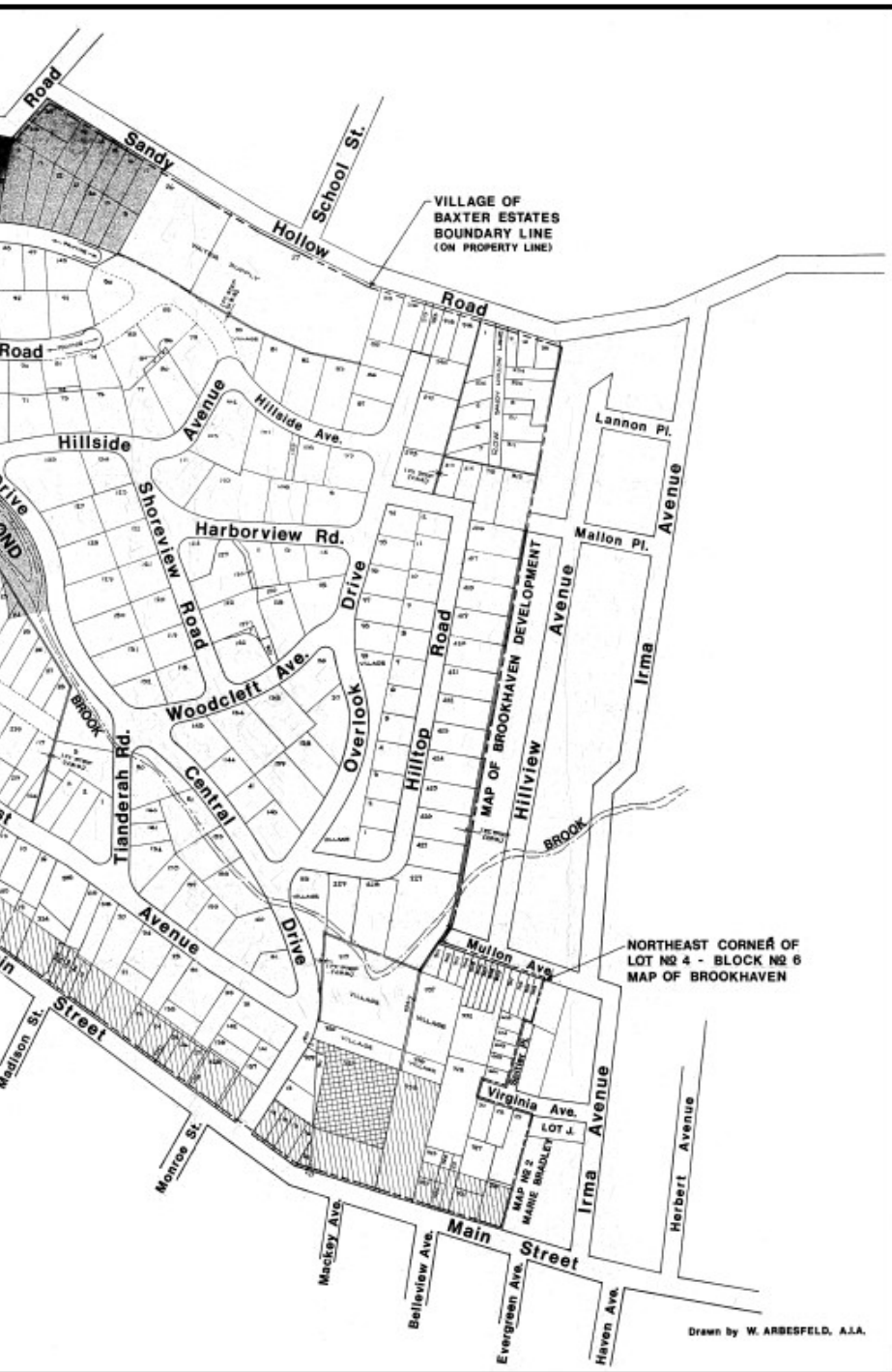
meetings for the Superintendent of Buildings and processing building applications. The Deputy Clerk is in charge of most other permits, including pool and groundskeeper, as well as important administrative duties, such as collecting tax payments and interfacing with members of the public.

The Superintendent of Buildings, a part time position, is in charge of approving, inspecting, and permitting the incoming building applications and projects. No project can occur in the Village without written approval and proper permits from the Superintendent. If you wish to apply for a permit, please contact Village Hall for further information.

Village Court

The Village Court was established in 2003 and is used to adjudicate traffic, parking and Village Ordinance violations that occur within the Village boundaries. The Village Justice, who must be a resident of the Village, is elected every 4 years. In addition, the Village has an Associate Justice who is appointed by the Mayor for a one year term. Having a Village Court in-house enables the Village to monitor and maintain control over infractions and violations which occur within the Village.





Voter Registration

To vote in any Village elections, you must first be registered to vote in Nassau County. Residents must register with the County Board of Elections at least 10 days prior to the Village Election to ensure their eligibility to vote in an upcoming election. The Village Hall is open from 12PM to 9PM on the day of the election, to ensure that everyone can cast their ballot.

Beach, Park, and Wooded Areas

Baxter's Pond is our most active park area and is maintained by Nassau County and the Baxter's Pond Foundation. The natural setting of the meandering stream and the seating areas around the pond itself provide residents with a peaceful sanctuary from the stress of daily living.

Baxter Estates' beach is maintained by the Village and offers a beautiful vista of Manhasset Bay.

The passive park area adjacent to the Town of North Hempstead parking lot located on Shore Road is maintained by the Town. It offers seating areas and a beautiful view of Manhasset Bay.

Several wooded areas are located within and maintained by the Village. One area abuts Central Drive, behind the Pierre Apartments and Chase Bank on Main Street. Another abuts the backyards of private homes on Hilltop Road, extending to Overlook Drive. The last abuts the Port Washington Water District, extending to homes on Bayside Avenue, Hillside Avenue, and Sandy Hollow Road.

Encroachments and dumping on Village property are prohibited. Offenders will have to answer to the Village Court for each violation and will be responsible for the costs incurred by the Village for removal of debris if the resident fails to comply with such notice.

Pets

Household pets are permitted; pigeons, chickens, farm animals and any animal classified as "wild" are prohibited. Dog owners are required by State law to pick up and dispose of dog waste. Dogs must be on a leash when not on the owner's property and are not permitted to bark excessively.

What to do with Leaves

While the many mature trees that shade our community enhance the beauty and the quality of life in Baxter Estates, they also add the problem of leaf disposal in the fall. Leaves may not be burned, either on the street or on private property. To help residents cope with this problem, the Village has, for many years, contracted to dispose of loose leaves placed at the curb. There are six pick-ups beginning the first full week of November and ending the third week

of December. These pick-ups are solely for leaves; no twigs, grass clippings, or garden debris placed at the curbside will be collected. Before and after these official pick-ups, all leaves must be bagged, tied, and left for a regular garbage pick-up.

The leaf pick-up program is one of the most expensive, single projects in the Village budget. Many villages dropped this program in the 1980's due to the economic hardships of the time. At this time, because of residential request, the Village will continue leaf pick-ups without modification.

Snow Removal and Related Problems

During the winter season our snow removal services have been successful because of the cooperation of our residents and our snow removal personnel. To ease the snow removal process and enable plows to clear each street:

- Cars should be parked in garages, or in driveways.
- Garbage cans should be placed within the driveway or on a cleared area off the street.
- Sidewalks must be cleared by the homeowner within a reasonable amount of time after snow stops falling to ensure safe pedestrian passage. If required for safety purposes, the Village may issue summons and fines for failing to do so.
- Shoveling snow or pushing plowed snow into the street creates a hazard for drivers and is illegal.
- Fire hydrants covered by snow should be made accessible and should be identified with a pole, stick, or hydrant marker in the snow.
- For electrical emergencies, call PSEG at 1 (800) 490-0025.
- For trees, limbs or any obstruction blocking the roadway, call Village Hall at (516) 767-0096.

Street Sweeping

The Village has a street sweeping service, for all Village roads, which runs for twelve weeks from May to October. There is an initial sweep that takes place in April, to deeply clean the roads, prepping them for the upcoming spring season. We ask that no cars be parked on the streets the night before a sweep, so that there can be a full sweep of the road. The Village sends out a post card to every resident who lives on a Village maintained road that details that year's schedule.

All twelve sweeps that follow will be every other Tuesday. Any sweep cancelled due to rain or inclement weather is typically rescheduled to the following Thursday of the same week, so as to not interfere with the Port Washington Garbage District's service schedule.

Trees

Homeowners have almost unlimited opportunity to landscape their property. There are several restrictions and ordinances, however, necessary for public safety, and necessary to maintain the unique, park-like setting of Baxter Estates.

Removal of trees requires the necessary permitting if the tree has a diameter of seven (7) inches or greater at a point five (5) feet above ground level. For further information please see Chapter 161 of the Zoning Code of the Village of Baxter Estates. Trees and shrubs cannot encroach upon sidewalks and/or roads. Shrubs on corners and those bordering driveways should not be more than 30" in height so that they do not obstruct a motorist's visibility.

Swimming Pools

All swimming pools and hot tubs must have a permit, which can be obtained at Village Hall. The following safeguards have been established by the Village so that a pool does not become a danger or a nuisance to neighbors.

The pool area must be completely enclosed with a good quality fence, four (4) feet in height. Every gate in the fence must be equipped with self-closing and self-locking devices.

Pools must be completely drained in the winter or provided with tight fitting covers capable of supporting 100 pounds or more without tearing or collapsing.

Provisions must be made on the premises for draining the pool. A pool should never be emptied into the street.

Fences, Retaining Walls, and Land Contours

Before putting up a fence, constructing a retaining wall, or changing the level of the land, the homeowner must obtain a permit from the Village Office. Fences cannot be higher than four (4) feet in height unless otherwise permitted by the Board of Appeals. Retaining walls cannot be higher than the ground which they support. The existing grade and contours of any property cannot be altered or modified by excavating, terracing, filling, or any other means without obtaining a permit from the Village Office.

Zoning Board of Appeals and Planning Board

The Board of Zoning Appeals consists of five members appointed by the Mayor with the consent of the Board of Trustees. The Board acts as an independent body to hear petitions for variances of the zoning ordinances of the Village.

One of the primary advantages of being incorporated as a village is the ability

to regulate community growth and development through zoning ordinances. The Village Code maintains the community standards and protects against incompatible development and has an impact on all improvements to property in the Village. Since permits are required for all alterations and additions or other structural changes, residents are advised to check with the Village office when planning changes to their homes. If applications for building permits for alterations or additions to existing premises are denied, property owners may petition for a variance to the Board of Zoning Appeals. The application is added to the agenda of the next meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals. A notice of the hearing by the Board is published in the local newspaper and adjoining neighbors are notified by mail. The applicant will be advised of the hearing date at which time they will present the reasons why the application should be approved. Others may then speak either in favor or in opposition to the petition.

Water District

For the purpose of providing and maintaining the necessary supply of water to residents and businesses, the state is divided into water districts. The Port Washington Water District, with offices located at 38 Sandy Hollow Road, provides water to the Village. Actual water use is metered and paid for by each homeowner.

The Port Washington Water District, in order to conserve water, prohibits lawn watering between the hours of 10AM and 4PM. Residents must adhere to Nassau County's Odd/Even Lawn Watering Ordinance or risk facing fines or a summons. It is up to all of us to conserve water. Please visit their website at www.pwwd.org to read all the Water Conservation Requirements.

Identification of Homes

The Port Washington Police Department, Fire Department, and Ambulance service requests that all homeowners clearly display the number of their homes. Minutes lost in finding the correct house can mean the difference between life and death. All house numbers should be clearly visible from the street at night as well as during the daytime.

Property Maintenance

Residents should be aware that they are responsible for instructing their gardeners, who must be licensed with the Village, about Village ordinances. Properties must be maintained and in good repair, with grass cut, and a clean appearance. It is illegal to dispose of grass clippings, dirt, leaves, oil, etc. in Village streets or catch basins. Anything from private property should be bagged and put to the curb on the day designated by the garbage company for proper yard waste collection. Anyone who dumps rubbish of any kind on

public or private property is violating the Village law. Residents and their landscapers could be subject to substantial fines and violations for each occurrence.

Smoke Detectors and Stoves

The Port Washington Fire Department will advise residents about the placement of smoke detectors. It is required that smoke alarms be installed on every level of your home, including the basement. For extra safety, it is required to have an alarm inside and outside the sleeping area.

Garbage Collection

Garbage and refuse collection services are contracted through the Town of North Hempstead and the Port Washington Garbage Collection District. Pick-ups are made three times a week on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

Yard waste is picked up on Mondays, which includes grass, leaves, hedge clippings and tree limbs. Hedge clippings and tree limbs no larger than 2 inches in diameter, must be tied securely into bundles no larger than 2 feet wide by 3 feet in length.

The Town of North Hempstead has a recycling program for the following items; clean aluminum foil and trays, metal cans, glass, plastics (#1 and #2 only), newspapers and magazines, paper, soft cover books, cardboard and corrugated cardboard. Tie and bundle these materials and place at curb for collection on Fridays. Rinsed/clean bottles, cans, aluminum foil containers, pie tins, plastic bottles (#1 & 2 only) and containers, etc. should be placed in the recycling container at the curb for collection.

Within the Village of Baxter Estates, no garbage is to be placed at the curb earlier than one hour before sunset and must be brought in promptly after collection.

All electronics must be brought to the Town of North Hempstead E-Waste Program by the homeowner. For bulk or large item pickup, please call the Port Washington Garbage District at (516) 699-1750.

If your garbage pickup falls on a legal holiday, it will be picked up on your next regular scheduled garbage collection day. If your recycling or yard waste pick up day falls on a legal holiday, it will be picked up on your next scheduled garbage collection day. For any service questions, please call: (516) 699-1750, or visit: www.pwgarbagedistrict.com

Village Speed Limit and Parking

The Village Speed limit is 30 miles per hour. In order to maintain and protect the safety of the Village, there are parking restrictions on many of our narrower

roads. Please see the table on the below:

Name of Street	Side	Location
Bayside Avenue	North/South	East from Shore Road for 250 feet
Central Drive	Both	Entire length
Columbia Place	North	Entire length
Columbia Place	South	East from Shore Road for 35 feet
Hillside Avenue	South	From Central Drive to Shoreview Road
High Street	Both	North of Columbia Place
High Street	East	North from Main Street for 35 feet and south from Columbia Place for 10 feet
High Street	West	North of Main Street and south of Columbia Place
Library Drive	East/West	Entire length
Locust Avenue	North	West from Central Drive for 45 feet
Locust Avenue	North	East from North Washington Street for 20 feet
Locust Avenue	South	West from Central Drive for 62 feet
Locust Avenue	South	East from Library Drive for 35 feet
Locust Avenue	South	West from Library Drive for 35 feet
Locust Avenue	South	East from Port Washington Public Library service driveway for 35 feet
North Washington Street	East	Entire length
Overlook Drive	East	From Central Drive to Hilltop Road
Ridgeway Road	East/West	North from Central Drive for 35 feet
Shore Road	East/West	Entire length in Village

Village Taxes

The Village Tax is based on the amount of money needed to fund the services provided by the Village. Your Village Tax bill is payable without penalty on or before July 1st. For any year where July 1st falls on a weekend, the payment is due the following Monday. Any taxes unpaid on July 2nd have a NYS mandatory 5% penalty due, and a 1% penalty for each month thereafter.

For information on tax exemptions, please contact Nassau County Department of Assessment at (516) 571-1500.

VBE Stickers

Village of Baxter Estates (VBE) stickers are available at the Village Office, free of charge, to all residents for each vehicle owned. These stickers are to be placed on the rear bumper of your car, and they assist the Police District in identifying parked vehicles which do not belong to Village residents. These stickers are issued for the protection of the residents of the Village.

LIRR Station Parking

Permits for the LIRR Station Parking Lot are available through the Town of North Hempstead, Port Washington Parking District Residential Parking Program. Permits are applied for online through the Town of North Hempstead's website. Parking restrictions are not in effect on New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday, Lincoln's Birthday, Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day, Juneteenth, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.

More information on permits and how to obtain one can be found on the Town's Website or by calling (516) 869-6311.

Ordinance Review

Laws presented below are abridged for easier comprehension. For the full Village Code, please visit the Village's website.

Animals (*Chapter 71*) — No animals are permitted to defecate on public property, with an exception for the devil's strip, so as long as the feces are moved immediately. All dogs must be leashed within the Village. Excessive dog barking is prohibited.

Business in the Home (*Chapter 175*) – No commercial business can be conducted from a residence with the exception of a professional office or studio of a doctor, dentist, lawyer, teacher, artist, architect, engineer, accountant or musician, provided the office or studio is located in the dwelling in which said professional person resides, and provided there is no display of advertising except a small professional plate.

Cars Under Repair (*Chapter 175*) – Automobiles may not be kept on private property for the purpose of repair for profit, which is a commercial use. Inoperable or dismantled vehicles may not be stored on private property.

Farm Animals (*Chapter 175*) – Maintaining chickens and other farm animals is not a permitted use within the Residential Code.

Garbage (*Chapter 144*) – Within the Village of Baxter Estates, no garbage is to be placed at the curb more than one hour before sunset the day before pickup is scheduled and must be brought in promptly after collection.

Noise (*Chapter 136*) – Excessive noise of any kind between the hours of 10:00 PM and 7:00 AM is unlawful.

Outdoor Lighting (*Chapter 130*) – No outdoor light may be installed in a way that directs light towards another home.

Sidewalks (*Chapter 152*) – Owners are responsible to maintain the sidewalks that abut their property. This includes, but is not limited to, repairing, shoveling snow, clearing leaves and debris.

Smoking and Vaping (*Chapter 148*) – Smoking and vaping shall not be permitted, and no person shall smoke or vape in the following areas within the Village of Baxter Estates; on any public sidewalk, street, building, park, field, playground, or meeting area, owned or operated by the Village of Baxter Estates; and any other public space owned or operated by the Village of Baxter Estates.

Trees (*Chapter 161*) – No tree can be removed on public or private property without a permit from the Village.

Important Contact Information

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CIES (516) 742-3300

Port Washington Garbage District

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