

**INC. VILLAGE OF MANORHAVEN  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
December 9, 2025 – 9:00 a.m. – PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Popeleski called meeting to order 9:03am

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Popeleski

**ATTENDANCE:** Trustee Jeffrey Stone; Deputy Mayor Harry Farina; Mayor John Popeleski; Christopher J. Neumann, Esq., Village Attorney (via Zoom); John E. Hommel, Village Clerk  
Trustee Khristine Shahipour - Excused  
Trustee Monica Ildefonso - Absent

**MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC HEARING**

Motion to open Public Hearing by Deputy Mayor Farina, second by Trustee Stone  
Motion passes 3-0-2

**LOCAL LAWS:**

**Proposed Local Law No. 20 of 2025:**

Local Law to replace Village of Manorhaven Local Law 10-2024 authorizing Property Tax Exemption to Volunteer Firefighters and Volunteer Ambulance Workers. The New York firefighter tax exemption is not being repealed, but rather a change in the law has repealed older, local exemption statutes effective December 9, 2025. All jurisdictions that offered an exemption under those repealed laws must now adopt a new Local Law, consistent with statewide exemption.

**PUBLIC COMMENT – Proposed Local Law:**

- Robert Murphy – Thanked the Board of Trustees for passing Local Law for firefighters exemption

VOTE (LL 20-2025): Trustee Stone - AYE; Trustee Shahipour - Excused; Trustee Ildefonso – Absent; Deputy Mayor Farina - AYE; Mayor Popeleski AYE  
AYE – 3/ NAY – 0/EXCUSED – 1/Absent - 1

**MOTION TO ADJOURN PUBLIC HEARING**

Motion to close Public Hearing by Deputy Mayor Farina, second by Trustee Stone  
Motion passes 3-0-2

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Resolutions:

Resolution #68 – 2025:

Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Manorhaven hereby accepts and approves a proposal from Maura Site Services in the amount of \$15,875.00 to supply and install drainage at the Manorhaven Preserve trail.

VOTE: Trustee Stone - AYE; Trustee Shahipour - Excused; Trustee Ildefonso – Absent; Deputy Mayor Farina - AYE; Mayor Popeleski AYE  
AYE – 3/ NAY – 0/EXCUSED – 1/Absent - 1

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Robert Murphy
  - New pavers at Preserve trail look nice
  - Mentioned asphalt portion of trail and asphalt as not being environmentally efficient
  - Mayor explained that the asphalt that was used originally had DEC approval as eco-friendly
  - Run off from Dejana property causes icing on trail path, Mayor said he would talk to owners

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Board of Trustees entered Executive Session at 9:17am to discuss Village employee matters – Motion made by Deputy Mayor Farina, Second by Trustee Stone

The Board of Trustees adjourned Executive Session at 10:08 – Motion made by Trustee Stone, Second by Deputy Mayor Farina

UPCOMING EVENTS:

12/10 – Tree and Menorah lighting 6:30pm

12/17 – BOT General meeting 6:30pm

12/22 – BOT abstract meeting 10:00am

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn meeting of the Board of Trustees made by Deputy Mayor Farina, Second by Trustee Stone – 10:10am

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