



## BOROUGH OF HAWTHORNE

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**John V. Lane**  
Mayor

### Letter from Mayor Lane

12-22-2022

Dear Resident,

Discussions regarding the conditions of the Hawthorne Post Office are continuing with Congressman Pascrell's office. As a result of our prior talks, the Congressman's office relayed our concerns about the Post Office to the USPS Government relations representative covering New Jersey. At that time, a request was made for groundskeeping and interior painting to be completed, as well as other necessary renovations to bring our Post Office up to standards maintained by other branches in our surrounding towns. Most recently, Congressman Pascrell's office sent a letter to the Vice President of Government Relations and Public Property in Washington DC detailing all the items for improvement at the Hawthorne Post Office, and provided a timeline request for corrective actions. Although very little groundskeeping has started at the Post Office, there are many other action items that need attention there, and I will continue to work with Congressman Pascrell's office to ensure that our Post Office is up to acceptable standards and that residents of Hawthorne can be confident that the maintenance and quality of service of the Hawthorne Post Office is consistent with branches around us.

The 2023 Borough calendars have been mailed, so be on the lookout if you have not received it already. As many of you already know, the Borough calendar contains a wealth of information including information on garbage and recycling collection, community events, and municipal offices and phone numbers, plus much more. I encourage you to read through the calendar and become familiar with all the services and events Hawthorne has to offer. If for any reason you do not receive a calendar in the mail, copies will be available for pickup at Borough Hall.

With January right around the corner, I am reminding residents that the Hawthorne Green Team will hold their polystyrene white packaging foam drive on Saturday, January 7<sup>th</sup> at the Hawthorne Pool Complex. The drive is open to all Hawthorne residents, and will run from 9:00 am until 12:00 pm or until the container is full. Packing peanuts, foam cups, and food containers are not accepted. For additional information, please see the Borough's website.

A reminder that the 2023 Parking Permits are now on sale and can be purchased at the Police Records window Monday to Friday from 9am to 4pm, and until 8pm on January 11, 2023. You may contact the Police Records Department at 973-304-2056, with any questions.

The Department of Public Work's curbside leaf collection has now ended. I would like to thank the Public Works Director and his staff for a job well done this season. Since winter has officially arrived, our Department of Public Works has switched gears to winter mode – their equipment has all been prepared, including the brine machine which is up and running, and it all stands at the ready to attack any potential winter that comes our way. With our current forecast for

wind and rain, please rest assured that, should conditions change to a wintery mix, our DPW is ready.

Lastly, a reminder that Borough offices will close at noon tomorrow (12/23/2022) and will be closed on Monday, December 26<sup>th</sup> in observance of Christmas. The Recycling Center will be open until noon on Saturday December 24<sup>th</sup>. The center will be closed on Sunday for Christmas Day, and open until noon on Monday, December 26<sup>th</sup>.

Warmest wishes to everyone for a happy holiday season. May you enjoy all the festivities, and please stay safe.

Sincerely,

Mayor John V. Lane