

# Town of Henlopen Acres ❁ March 2025 Newsletter

Dear Residents,

As spring marches in, I'm astonished by how quickly time has flown! Though nearly five months have passed, it seems like just yesterday that I arrived for my first day of work at Town Hall.

I am so grateful for the warm welcome I've received, and I look forward to meeting more of you as our little Town comes alive for the summer season. After all, spring is a time of renewal and in many ways, it reflects the fresh energy that I hope to bring to this role.

The winter weather certainly kept us busy at the start of this year, with our Public Works crew working to keep the streets clear. Security diligently kept an eye on things, conducting house checks and responding to incidents as needed. During this time, we also brought aboard our new Town Clerk, Andrea Harpster. If you haven't yet stopped by Town Hall to say hello, please do so.

Spring will most certainly be busy, too. We'll be shepherding the 2024 Comprehensive Plan Update through its final approval process, overseeing important cybersecurity upgrades to our water system, opening the marina for the season, and more. I'm excited to dive into each of these efforts and hope you'll reach out if you'd like to learn more about them or anything else included in this newsletter.

Wishing you a lively, lovely spring,



Anna Fagan  
Town Manager



Last summer, the historic millstone at the end of Pine Reach was damaged in a vehicular accident. Miraculously, the top half remained intact and it now has a new home at Town Hall. A replacement millstone was installed at the end of Pine Reach in February.

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### Mayor

Joni Reich

### Commissioners

Tiffany Derrickson

Tim Hidell

Jeffrey Jacobs

Paddy Richards

John Staffier

Richard Thompson

### Town Manager

Anna Fagan

### Town Clerk

Andrea Harpster

### Finance Manager

Katie Manieri

### Public Works

Lex Bayard

Mike Berg

Bob Ribinsky

Sonny McClure

### Security

Lee Stewart

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### Town Hall

104 Tidewaters

Open M - F 9am - 4:30pm

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### Holiday Closings:

**Friday, April 18**

Good Friday

**Monday, May 26**

Memorial Day

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## UPCOMING MEETINGS

### Board of Commissioners

April 11, 2025 at 10am

### Investment Committee

March 10, 2025 at 10am

### Tree Committee

March 21, 2025 at 10am

## WELCOME NEW PROPERTY OWNERS

**Anthony and Aileen Unger**  
66 Fields End

## OUR CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY OF

**Robert Goodwin**      **Carol Lee Rianhard**  
53 Fields End      28 Pine Reach

**Jean Thompson**  
44 Rolling Road



## 2025 DIRECTORIES AVAILABLE ON APRIL 1ST

Thank you to all who completed the 2025 Resident Information Form. This ensures Town staff have the most up-to-date contact information for important communications.

**If you haven't yet completed a form, please do so by March 31st.** Contact Town Hall with questions.



## ROAD CLOSURE REMINDER

Sussex County continues their work to update Henlopen Acres' sewer system.

**To accommodate this, Tidewaters is closed to thru traffic between the Dodds Lane and Rolling Road intersections.** Access to this portion of Tidewaters is for local traffic only, i.e. residents with homes in this stretch of road.

This project will be completed before Memorial Day and all disturbed areas restored.



## THE ADMIN TEAM

Meet the friendly faces of Town Hall, always ready to assist on the other end of the phone.

From left to right:

**Andrea Harpster**, Town Clerk  
**Anna Fagan**, Town Manager  
**Katie Manieri**, Finance Manager



## PROPERTY REASSESSMENTS

The Sussex County countywide reassessment is now complete. If you have not received your new property tax assessment, contact Tyler Technologies at (302) 854-5274.

As part of this spring's budget discussions between Town Staff and the Commissioners, we will assess the implications of the County assessment on the Town's 2025-26 tax rate. As in past years, our objective is to collect only those revenues needed to balance the budget.