

HIGH BAR HARBOR TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION



Long Beach Township (LBT) Caucus & Public Meetings Monday October 7, 2024

HIGHLIGHTS

- ❖ **Beach Replenishment** is on track to start on or around November 1st in Holgate and then move north to Loveladies and Harvey Cedars around January 1-ish. The entire replenishment effort is expected to be completed by March 15, 2025.

If you live on a street or easement where you are responsible for the dune walkover, please note the following bullet point for important information:

- ❖ **Dune Walkover Roll Ups.** The mayor announced that all dune walkovers need to be rolled up and removed from the dunes by no later than Friday November 1. This timetable is no different than the regulations currently in place, which require rollover walkways to be “rolled up and safely stored during the period between and including November 2 and March 31 of each year.” *Township Code, Section 51-6C*

“This timetable will be enforced this year,” said Mayor Mancini, citing the need to do so to prepare for the beach replenishment. This regulation became effective April 1, 2024 when Ordinance 24-09C was adopted on second reading. To read the complete ordinance on the LBT website, click on [this link](#).

- ❖ **Boat Flare Drop Off Day** is Saturday October 19 from 9 am – 12 pm at the Ocean County Fire Academy at 200 Volunteer Way in Waretown. Ocean County provides this service to all county property owners.

You must register in advance to participate. Register by calling 732.506.5047 or click on this link: <https://co.ocean.nj.us/OC/SolidWaste/frmBoatFlareDisposal.aspx>.

- ❖ **Columbus Day Building Closure.** All offices in the municipal building at 68th Street will be closed on Monday October 14.

- ❖ **Gas-Powered Blowers.** Permitted hours of operation were reduced when a new ordinance was passed September 5, 2023. As of that date going forward, use of this type of equipment on weekends and holidays and between 4 pm and 9 am on weekdays is prohibited. *Township Code Chapter 127-10D Public health nuisances*

Commissioner Meehan asked that if you see someone violating this regulation, please email or call him and tell the commissioner when and where the violation is occurring/occurred and the name of the landscaper doing the work so he can reach out

to the contractor. Email the commissioner by clicking [here](#) or calling his office at 609.361.6668.

- ❖ **LBI Shuttle.** Praising this service as “very successful,” Commissioner Lattanzi announced the purchase of two new buses, in preparation for next year.
- ❖ **Recognition.** The Township, by proclamation, recognized LBT Beach Patrol members Bernie Rutkowski, Taylor Teliszewski and Matthew Kustrup, whose combined efforts saved a swimmer in distress during the annual Triatholon in September.
- ❖ **Shredding Day** is Saturday October 19 from 9 am – 12 pm or until the truck is full (so get there early) at 10th Street & Shore Avenue in Ship Bottom. This service is provided by Ocean County and it is free to all Ocean County property owners.

For more information about what you can and cannot bring, click [here](#) to access the Ocean County website.

- ❖ **Super Saturday. Saturday October 12** is going to be a very busy day. In case you missed it in the accompanying newsletter, here is a list of events happening in the Township on that day:
 - **Shellabration** 11 am - 4 pm in the parking lot of the LBT municipal building on 68th Street in Brant Beach. This annual Oyster Festival highlights the shell recycling program, a partnership with the Jetty Rock Foundation, and features food, beverages, kids’ activities (think bouncy house) and live music from 12 pm – 3pm.
 - **Household Hazzard Waste Collection Day** 9 am – 3 pm at the LBT Department of Public Works 7910 Long Beach Boulevard at the municipal garage.

For a complete list of items you may bring for disposal, click [here](#) for the helpful *Patch* article with that information.

Ocean County provides this service, so you **must register ahead of time** at <https://www.co.ocean.nj.us/OC/SolidWaste/frmHHWP.aspx> (scroll down on the screen that pops up) or by calling 732-506-5047. You may be asked for proof of residency, so bring something that shows your LBT address.
 - **LBI International Kite Festival NIGHT FLY** 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm at the 68th Street beach in Brant Beach (behind the municipal building). Admission is free, but a \$3.00 donation/person is requested.

- ❖ **Speaking Of Taxes (coming up below).** Your tax dollars at work: All the work needed to plan and complete several major improvement projects within the Township will be done by Township personnel, which saves a tremendous amount of money because outside contractors do not have to be involved.

Over the next few months, Township personnel will be rebuilding the Township’s lifeguard building, re-siding the municipal building, rebuilding/repairing the lifeguards’ chairs and replacing three water mains, one each at 14th Street, 44th Street and 50th Street in Brant Beach.

- ❖ **Taxes.** LBT Business Administrator Kyle Ominski prepared this very helpful chart that compares tax rates for all LBI towns & Stafford:



LONG BEACH TOWNSHIP TAXES AND SURROUNDING AREAS



TOWN	2024 LOCAL TAX	2024 COUNTY TAX	2024 OPEN SPACE	2024 LIBRARY	2024 GRADE SCHOOL	2024 HIGH SCHOOL	2024 TOTAL TAX RATE	2024 AGGREGATE ASSESSED VALUE	2024 AGGREGATE TRUE VALUE
LBT	\$0.203	\$0.379	\$0.016	\$0.038	\$0.041	\$0.206	\$0.893	\$10,879,714,400	\$14,591,8914,631
BEACH HAVEN	\$0.413	\$0.483	\$0.021	\$0.056 (M)	\$0.099	\$0.240	\$1.312	\$2,188,346,100	\$3,733,741,853
SHIP BOTTOM	\$0.395	\$0.458	\$0.020	\$0.047	\$0.050	\$0.225	\$1.205	\$1,454,201,700	\$2,361,483,761
SURF CITY	\$0.235	\$0.432	\$0.019	\$0.044	\$0.047	\$0.266	\$1.043	\$2,057,504,600	\$3,147,956,854
HARVEY CEDARS	\$0.301	\$0.444	\$0.019	\$0.045	\$0.049	\$0.257	\$1.125	\$1,347,808,200	\$2,123,535,844
BARNEGAT LIGHT	\$0.253	\$0.460	\$0.020	\$0.047	\$0.050	\$0.168	\$1.008	\$1,063,983,700	\$1,736,549,208
STAFFORD	\$0.945	\$0.462	\$0.020	\$0.047	\$0.748	\$0.224	\$2.483	\$4,483,425,800	\$7,354,701,115

M = MUNICIPAL

The following chart shows data regarding taxes paid to the Southern Regional School District or the 2024-2025 school year and cost per student for all LBI towns & Stafford.

2024-2025 Southern Regional Breakdown

Town	Total Number Enrolled	Amount Paid	Per Student Price	%cost	%enroll
LBT	59.5	22,384,867.00	376,216.25	43.3%	2.62%
Town	Total Number Enrolled	Amount Paid	Per Student Price	%cost	%enroll
Beach Haven	34	\$ 4,675,000.00	\$ 137,500.00	9.0%	1.5%
Barnegat Light	7.5	\$ 1,662,809.10	\$ 221,707.88	3.2%	0.3%
Long Beach Twp.	59.5	\$ 22,384,867.00	\$ 376,216.25	43.3%	2.6%
Ship Bottom	37	\$ 3,367,812.54	\$ 91,021.96	6.5%	1.6%
Harvey Cedars	7	\$ 3,263,374.74	\$ 466,196.39	6.3%	0.3%
Surf City	29.5	\$ 6,000,000.00	\$ 203,389.83	11.6%	1.3%
Stafford Twp.	2093	\$ 10,325,327.00	\$ 4,933.27	20.0%	92.3%
	2267.5	\$ 51,679,190.38	\$ 22,791.26	100.00%	100.00%

Long Beach Island Elementary School Breakdown

Town	Total Number Enrolled	Amount Paid	Per Student Price	%cost	%enroll
LBT	61	\$ 4,303,662.00	\$ 70,551.84	62.3%	39.6%
Town	Total Number Enrolled	Amount Paid	Per Student Price	%cost	%enroll
Barnegat Light	13	\$ 468,136.14	\$ 36,010.47	6.8%	8.4%
Long Beach Twp.	61	\$ 4,303,662.00	\$ 70,551.84	62.3%	39.6%
Ship Bottom	48	\$ 708,749.04	\$ 14,765.61	10.3%	31.2%
Harvey Cedars	7	\$ 567,717.00	\$ 81,102.43	8.2%	4.5%
Surf City	25	\$ 861,394.00	\$ 34,455.76	12.5%	16.2%
	154	\$ 6,909,658.18	\$ 44,867.91	100%	100.00%

ORDINANCES

❖ Proposed On First Reading. *No new ordinances were proposed.*

❖ Passed On Second Reading

24-27C Revises the local design flood elevation within specific FEMA-designated zones, but only the zone designation is changed, not the elevation required.

The ordinance mentions VE 13. The FEMA website defines Zone VE and V 1-30 as “Coastal areas with a 1% or greater chance of flooding and an additional hazard associated with storm waves. These areas have a 26% chance of flooding over the life of a 30-year mortgage.”

The proposed ordinance also updates a reference to another section in the code.

24-28C Revises the permitted impervious lot coverage from 60% in any yard set-back area to 75% of any yard set-back area adjacent to a paved roadway.

Eliminates the size of curb cuts based on lot frontage and permits lots of any size to have one depressed curb cut with a maximum width of 27'. Corner lots may have one depressed curb cut per street with the total maximum combined width of 30'.

Mayor Mancini explained that the intent of this ordinance is to provide more opportunities for cars to be parked in driveways on private property, not on the street.