

Supervisor's Final Report December 2021

Having had the honor of representing the people of the Town of Marlborough as Supervisor, over several terms that have spanned 10 years, I wanted to take this opportunity to remark on some of our accomplishments and thank the many people who helped move our Community forward.

Over the years, the Town Board and I have been able to broaden the tax base and control taxes by supporting businesses with additional infrastructure, including improved roads, extending water and sewer and changes to building and zoning codes. We were able to do this at a reduced cost to taxpayers because of our good relationship with our other governmental partners - especially Assemblymen Skartados and Jacobson as well as Senators Larkin and Skoufis.

We also focused on improving the quality of life for the people of Marlborough. We worked hard to involve the Community in transparent planning to identify the ways in which the Town should grow. We updated the Comprehensive Plan, developed a Local Waterfront Revitalization Plan, and identified our Historic Resources. Much of that work is attributable to the dedication of Town Councilman Howard Baker. Because of this planning, we have been extremely successful in receiving taxpayer monies returned to Marlborough, in the form of grants. We also have been fortunate to have the talents of residents Rosemary and Gerry Wein, who donate their time to write the grants.

Perhaps the crowning achievement for this administration has been the improvement of economic development and recreational opportunities. It's hard to believe that it was 12 years ago that I signed the acceptance of the \$1 million dollar gift to the people of Marlborough, to secure the first free public access to the Hudson River. Milton Landing Park, that started as a work of love by the Milton Fire Company, has grown into a beautiful planned area with a brand new deep water dock and an adjacent renovated Historic Train Station for community use. The economic potential of the Park was recognized by the State and received funding to help turn it into the anchor for agro-tourism, recreation and cultural events. None of this would have happened without the many volunteers and the ongoing support of the community.

Community volunteers have always been welcomed by this administration. Thanks to local visionaries like Tony Falco, we have a new hiking trail in the hamlet of Marlboro. Thanks to local volunteers, we have a plan to develop the old TOMVAC building into a Community Recreation Center. Thanks to professionals who volunteer their time, we have a rehabilitated Train Station, Design Standards for new construction, and an inventory of our Historic buildings.

I am so proud to have been a part of the many positive things that have happened, over the past years, that I was Supervisor. I have made many new friends and enjoyed the collaborations I have had with constituents and other governmental officials and agencies.

I want to say a special word of appreciation for the Town Hall Staff and all Town Department Employees. They are, truly, the people who keep the Town running. I can tell you that we are blessed to have especially competent people watching out for our Community's safety, health and welfare and I know I leave the Town in good hands.

Respectfully,
Al Lanzetta

