

Alain Leinbach has served on the South Nyack Board of Trustees since 2006 and as Deputy Mayor since 2011. Self-employed and working from an office in Nyack, he has been able to take a hands-on approach to his responsibilities to the Village. Among his accomplishments are

- Acting to protect South Nyack residents from the impacts of the Tappan Zee Bridge replacement
- Overseeing numerous infrastructure projects within the Village
- Expanding the Village's public outreach by developing a website and email contact system
- Working to revise and modernize the entire Village Code
- Improving efficiency through the replacement of aging heavy equipment
- Obtaining favorable terms to finance new equipment purchases

Going forward Alain will be working hard to preserve the quality of life that village residents expect while expanding his efforts to make improvements in the following areas:

### **Property Tax**

Alain has worked to keep South Nyack property taxes low while ensuring high quality services. A recent survey by the New York State Comptroller's office places the Village of South Nyack well within the top ten percent most fiscally sound villages in New York State. Additionally, the Village of South Nyack has just been awarded a 'AA' rating by S&P allowing it to issue bonds at very favorable rates. This work must continue if South Nyack is to achieve an economic environment that allows its longterm residents to remain in the village.

### **Environmental Responsibility**

The village should begin to shift its focus more to recycling and less to trash pickup. Every two weeks, there are four trash pickups and only one recycling pickup. As the cost of managing trash increases and the cost of collecting recyclables decreases, it make both environmental and economic sense to increase emphasis on recycling.

### **Public Communication**

There is still much work to be done to further involve the residents of South Nyack in the management of their village. The village website should be expanded to include Village Board agendas and minutes. It should also be used to publicize the work of the Planning Board, the Zoning Board of Appeals and the Police Department. Periodic public events should be held to allow residents to express their views directly to village officials.

### **Shared Services**

South Nyack has a very good relationship with its neighboring river villages. Services and equipment are often shared as a means of saving on capital expense. This practice can be expanded, but must be carefully managed to ensure the safety and proper treatment of our employees and equipment.

## **Expanded Tax Base**

With virtually no buildable land, South Nyack is faced with the difficulty of having almost no commercial property tax revenue. In order to ease the burden on residents, South Nyack must seek innovative development, working with outside agencies to leverage the opportunities of projects like the **shared use path** and the redesign of Exit 10.

## **About Alain Leinbach**

Alain first moved to South Nyack in 1971 and graduated from Nyack High School in 1982. After earning a Bachelor's degree in Economics from Stony Brook, he moved back to South Nyack 1997 to start a family. He currently has two children attending Nyack High School. A fifteen year active member of the Nyack Fire Department, Alain has twice served as Captain of South Nyack's Orangetown Fire Company.