



**Judi Bosworth (D)**

North Hempstead Supervisor  
Incumbent (Elected in 2013)  
Endorsed in 2017

Professional Background/Education:

- Nassau County Legislature representative for the 10th District for 6 years
- Trustee of the Great Neck School District Board of Education for 16 years
- Served as Special Projects Coordinator for former Assemblyman Thomas P. DiNapoli.
- Received her Bachelor's and Master's Degrees in Early Childhood Education from City University of New York at Queens College

**Personal and Professional Initiatives:**

- In response to Question 1, which asks the candidate to share their *accomplishments* or *experiences* that indicate their commitment to advancing a pro-environment agenda, candidate responded:
  - “I have continued the Town’s important Bobwhite Quail initiative that allows us to implement pesticide-free pest prevention, and we continue to maintain our fishing line receptacle initiative.”
  - “An important project in our 2019 Capital Plan involves the capturing of storm water runoff from the Harbor Links Golf Course and from the capped landfills behind our Solid Waste Management Authority. The water will be funneled to retention ponds which would in turn irrigate the golf course. This has the potential to save between 35 million to 75 million gallons of water.”
  - “I continue to advocate against New York City’s quest to reopen the Jamaica Wells, and have urged several Long Island Town Supervisors to express their opposition to The Governor as well.”
  - “Additionally, the Town of North Hempstead, in a partnership with the Manhasset Bay Protection Committee, will be installing a Seabin floating trash collector which will help clear this important waterway of bottles, bags, and any other trash that would pollute the Bay, the first of its kind on Long Island.”
  - “Just last month, the Town of North Hempstead in conjunction with the Town of Oyster Bay and the City of Glen Cove hosted a cleanup of Hempstead Harbor. It was an incredible cooperative effort that resulted in almost 60 tons of debris being removed from Hempstead Harbor.”

**Questionnaire Highlights:**

Supports all of the initiatives of the NYLCV, with the following additions:

- In response to Question 2, which asks the candidate to indicate their level of commitment to *Sustainable & Transit-Oriented Development*, the candidate responded:
  - “I am so proud of the North Hempstead Housing Authority, which provides affordable housing for low-income residents throughout our Town. Housing

Authority developments in communities such as Westbury, Manhasset, Roslyn, and Port Washington offer appealing and pragmatic housing, allowing residents to feel ingrained in their communities and confident that they will have easy access to their job. The Pond View housing complex in Manhasset underwent renovations that provided marked improvements in the living conditions for the residents in this area. Additionally, the North Hempstead Housing Authority will be completing the Grandview Senior Homes development in New Cassel which will provide much needed support for elderly residents in North Hempstead.”

- In response to Question 3, which asks the candidate to indicate their level of commitment to **Public Health**, the candidate responded:
  - “One of my most important accomplishments from 2018 was securing a mobile Veterans Affairs unit at the Town’s Clinton G. Martin Park three days a week. In conjunction with the Town’s Veterans Advisory Committee, I petitioned the Federal Government to station this unit at our park to provide much needed healthcare to our Veterans right here in our Town, instead of having to travel all the way to the Northport VA in Suffolk County for primary care services, podiatry, physical therapy and blood work.”
  - “Through the Town’s Project Independence Taxi program, we offer discounted taxi service to seniors for non-emergency medical, dental, and vision appointments.”
  - “In 2018 the Town raised and released more than 75 quail on to the Hempstead Harbor and the surrounding 200 acres to help reduce the tick population. This natural way of controlling ticks is an incredible substitute for toxic chemicals and pesticides that pollute our groundwater.”
  - “Last summer, the Town of North Hempstead under my leadership joined with NYU Winthrop to offer visitors at our beaches and parks free sunscreen, which also comes at no cost to taxpayers.”
  
- In response to Question 4, which asks the candidate to indicate their level of commitment to **Open Space Preservation**, the candidate responded:
  - “I am currently in the process of planning the redevelopment of North Hempstead Beach Park, and a key aspect of this is leaving the woodland surrounding the Park untouched. An important aspect of the redevelopment of North Hempstead Beach Park will be the elimination of 1.5 acres of concrete parking lot and converting this into open green spaces. Under my leadership, the Town has entered into a partnership with C.L.I.M.B., the Concerned Long Island Mountain Bicyclists, to begin construction of approximately five miles of mountain bicycle and hiking trails in this area at no cost to taxpayers.”
  - “Additionally, the Town will be extending the Hempstead Harbor Nature Trail by 1.5 miles to give our residents greater access to the incredible local ecology that exists right here in our community.”
  
- In response to Question 5, which asks the candidate to indicate their level of commitment to **Energy**, the candidate responded:
  - “The Town of North Hempstead is a proud partner of the Long Island Green Homes

- Initiative, a non-profit that offers a free home energy assessment that helps to make affordable improvements to their homes.”
- “The Town is participating in the Long Island Solar Roadmap consortium spearheaded by The Nature Conservancy and Defenders of Wildlife. This group is made up of a diverse group of stakeholders, including local government officials, solar industry professionals, community leaders, utilities and others who are working to find innovative ideas to advance the pace of solar installations on Long Island.”
  - I will certainly continue to be a vocal supporter of State and Federal initiatives with the expressed goal of expanding this infrastructure.
- In response to Question 6, which asks the candidate to indicate their level of commitment to ***Sustainable Public Asset Management***, the candidate responded:
    - “As I mentioned previously, the Town of North Hempstead will be undergoing a project that involves the capturing of storm water runoff from the Harbor Links Golf Course and from the capped landfills behind our Solid Waste Management Authority. The water would be funneled to retention ponds which would in turn irrigate the golf course.”
    - “As I mentioned earlier our redevelopment of North Hempstead Beach Park will convert 1.5 acres of concrete parking lot to green space. In addition, it will include sustainable features including bioswales in the parking lots that will filter pollutants.”
  - In response to Question 7, which asks the candidate to indicate their level of commitment to ***Waste***, the candidate responded:
    - “Together with our Solid Waste Management Authority, we updated our public education for recycling and recently sent an educational brochure to every home in the Town of North Hempstead.”
    - “Additionally, it is important that our residents understand that sustainability can be practiced at home whether it is through composting, rain barrels, or rain gardens. The Town offers online “how-to” manuals on these three respective items, and also sells composters and rain barrels to residents.”
  - In response to Question 8, which asks the candidate to indicate their level of commitment to ***Water Quality and Aquifer Protection***, the candidate responded:
    - “I continue to advocate against New York City’s campaign to reopen the Jamaica Wells, a move that would withdraw an average of 68 million gallons of water a day. At my urging, several of the Town Supervisors throughout Nassau and Suffolk counties have joined my efforts and written letters expressing their own opposition to reopen the wells.”
    - “I have been unwavering in vocalizing the importance of removing 1,4- Dioxane from North Hempstead’s drinking water. I have encouraged New York State officials to take immediate steps to legislate a ban of this contaminant in consumer goods and to ensure that there is funding available for treatment of contaminated water.”
    - “The Town of North Hempstead also annually participates in Operation Clean Sweep, an initiative that rids North Hempstead streets of contaminants that might otherwise

find their way into our storm drains and then subsequently our groundwater. Additionally, the Town put out an educational campaign entitled “Only Rain in the Drain” that highlights the importance of keeping our stormwater drains clear of garbage and pollutants, as what ends up in these drains ends up in our waterways.”

- In response to Question 9, which asks the candidate to indicate their level of commitment to ***Natural Resource Protection***, the candidate responded:
  - “The Town was recently awarded a \$37,500 grant from the New York State DEC-Office of Urban Forestry to plant trees along tributaries in Manhasset Valley Park. The trees will filter pollutants in the tributaries preventing them from reaching our bays.”
  - “In response to recent historic storms that have hit the east coast, the US Army Corps of Engineers are investigating ways to manage flood risk in New York City. One such idea they are exploring is the creation of flood gates at the Throgs Neck Bridge. This is a situation that I, along with my administration, are closely monitoring, as these gates may benefit New York City, but could possibly increase flood levels for our waterfront communities here in North Hempstead. Additionally, the increase in flood levels would have a negative impact on the marine ecology in Manhasset Bay and Hempstead Harbor, so I will continue to be vigilant as the US Army Corps of Engineers continues their studies.”
  - While I have highlighted a number of initiatives the Town implemented to protect our natural resources in previous responses, I did also want to draw your attention to the fact that we plan to rehabilitate the ponds at Clark Botanic Garden in 2020. While this will certainly add to the aesthetics of the Garden, what’s most important is that these ponds provide a safe, clean, healthy environment for the local ecology of the Garden.”
  
- In response to Question 10, which asks the candidate to indicate their level of commitment to ***Farms and Local Food***, the candidate responded:
  - “The Town of North Hempstead’s Project Independence is an amazing resource that allows our elderly residents the opportunity to have access to healthy and fresh foods. It provides elderly residents free rides to local markets, ultimately encouraging healthy lifestyles.”
  - “The Town of North Hempstead is also a hotbed for local farmers markets, and I am always encouraged to see so many of our residents participating in them. One such farmers market takes place at the Town of North Hempstead Town Dock every summer.”
  - “Additionally, the North Hempstead Building Department recently granted a building permit for a chicken coop at Magnolia Gardens (a North Hempstead Housing Authority Complex). The backyard of Magnolia Gardens functions like a literal farm, with free-range chickens and a garden of fresh vegetables. This has served an important purpose, providing the residents of Magnolia Gardens and the larger New Cassel community with fresh organic food, right in their own backyard.”