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## **PRESS NOTICE**

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## Town of Cortlandt New Town Vehicles

I am pleased to inform our Cortlandt residents that we have purchased many new town trucks, vehicles and heavy equipment this past year to keep a very good operating fleet to provide our services for our community. The total cost was \$455,458 this past year and at the same time we kept our town taxes very low to continue our low town tax record of only 1% over the past 26 years in total.

The recently purchased vactor or vac-all is a combination of a hydro-excavation and rodding machine. The total cost of this vehicle was \$478,000. We did receive a grant of \$170,000 to offset the cost (from the East of Hudson Watershed Corporation). We seek grants wherever possible to offset our purchases and projects and have been very successful over the years. Therefore, \$763,458 was spent on vehicles in one year with NO borrowing.

This valuable piece of equipment is instrumental in safely excavating around buried utility lines and will be used to repair water mains and service connections more efficiently. It will also be used extensively for the cleaning of stormwater catch basins and storm drains (see photo).

Also, the Supervisor and Town Board approved the 2017 paving bid on 6/21/2017 for seven miles of roads throughout the town for a total of \$1.8 million dollars none of which is borrowed. All is paid from the town treasury's highway fund. We will have completed six million dollars of re-surfacing/paving in the town over the past three years and have kept with our conservative policy of pay as you go - NO Debt. (See attached photo with Supervisor and Town Board).

Supervisor Linda Puglisi and Town Board



