

Chapter 60

WATERFRONT AND SHORELINE COMMISSIONER

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GENERAL REFERENCES

[HISTORY: Created in its entirety 10-10-2026 by Local Law 7 of 2026]

§ 60-1. Title

This local law shall be entitled “Local Law 7 of 2026, a local law amending the Saltaire Village Code to create a new Chapter 60, Waterfront and Shoreline, Commissioner of.”

§ 60-2. Enactment

Pursuant to Section 10 of the Municipal Home Rule Law, the Incorporated Village of Saltaire, County of Suffolk and State of New York, hereby enacts this Local Law 7 of 2026, adding a new chapter to the Saltaire Village Code establishing the Technology and Communications Commission.

§ 60-3. Effective Date

This local law shall take effect on the filing of the approved Local Law with the Secretary of State of New York, which shall be within the twenty (20) days after its approval by the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Saltaire.

§ 60-4. Purpose & Intent of Local Law

The purpose and intent of this local law is to establish within the Village a single appointed position responsible, in coordination with the Village Administrator, for the oversight of the condition, maintenance, and long-term resilience of the Village's waterfront structures and ocean and bay beaches, marina, docks, bulkheads, and Clam Pond Cove, to make studies,

recommendations, and reports to the Mayor as the Mayor may from time to time request, and to consolidate coordination of those areas under one Commissioner reporting to the Village Mayor.

§ 60-5. Definitions

- A. Board; where used, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Saltaire.
- B. Commissioner; Where used, the Waterfront and Shoreline Commissioner, Commissioner of the Village's ocean and bay beaches, marina, docks, bulkheads, and Clam Pond Cove.
- C. Village; where used, the Village of Saltaire.

§ 60-6. Position Established

The position of Waterfront and Shoreline Commissioner is hereby established.

§ 60-7. Commissioner Responsibilities

The Waterfront and Shoreline Commissioner shall:

- A. Beaches (Ocean & Bay). Oversee the condition, cleanliness, and seasonal readiness of Village ocean and bay beaches, including also signage, access points, and coordination with lifeguard staff.
- B. Docks. Oversee the maintenance, safety inspection, and seasonal installation/removal of Village docks, and recommend capital repairs or improvements to the Board.
- C. Bulkheads. Monitor the structural condition of Village-owned bulkheads, report deterioration or storm damage promptly to the Mayor and Board and maintain a repair/replacement schedule.
- D. Clam Pond Cove. Oversee the upkeep and permitted uses of Clam Pond Cove, and coordinate with relevant county, state, and federal agencies on environmental and permitting matters affecting the cove.
- E. Marina. Oversee the condition and seasonal readiness of the Village Marina, recommend capital repairs or improvements to the Board and work with the Village Administrator on Marina utilization and pricing.
- F. Resilience Projects. Identify, plan, and advance projects to strengthen the Village's resilience to storm surge and coastal erosion, including but not limited to:
 - 1. Restoration of the historic sand spit at Clam Pond Cove that formerly protected the Village from storm surge, including feasibility review, permitting, and funding strategy;
 - 2. Beach and dune nourishment or stabilization projects;
 - 3. Bulkhead hardening or replacement prioritized by storm-vulnerability assessment; and
 - 4. Any other capital or nature-based resilience measures the Commissioner recommends to the Board.

- G. Budget & Planning. Oversee the preparation of an annual report and budget recommendations covering all waterfront infrastructure and resilience projects under this Chapter, for review by the Mayor and Board of Trustees.
- H. Emergency Coordination. Working with the Village Administrator, the Mayor, and others, to provide storm damage assessment and post-storm recovery planning related to shoreline and waterfront infrastructure.
- I. Interagency Liaison. Coordinate with the Suffolk County Department of Health, NYS DEC, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Fire Island National Seashore, or other relevant agencies on permitting, funding, and environmental matters affecting Village waterfront property.
- J. The Commissioner shall not have the authority or power to bind the Village to any agreement or contract or expenditure of money.
- K. Other Responsibilities; the Commissioner may have other responsibilities as may from time to time be assigned by the Village Mayor.

§ 60-8. Composition; Terms of Office

- A. The Commissioner shall be appointed by the Mayor, subject to the approval of the Board, for a term of one year beginning October 1 of the year of appointment.
- B. The Commissioner may be reappointed at the discretion of the Mayor subject to the approval of the Board, for additional terms of one year each.
- C. A vacancy shall be filled by the Mayor, subject to Board Approval, for the remainder of the unexpired term.

§ 60-9. Service without compensation

No compensation shall be paid to the Commissioner for service in this position, unless otherwise determined by the Board of Trustees.

§ 60-10. Reporting

The Commissioner shall report directly to the Mayor and shall provide periodic updates to the Board at regular meetings, or more frequently as storm events or active projects require.

§ 60-11. Severability

In the event that this local law or any portion of it is determined to be invalid or void then the remainder of the local law shall remain in full force and effect.