

March 24, 2021

The MAYOR'S UPDATE

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Village Hall is open. Office hours are 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Visitors are required to wear a face covering, maintain social distancing of six feet and sign in to a Visitor's Log outside of the office they are visiting. Furthermore, while multiple people can enter Village Hall, only one person will be admitted into each office space at a time and are asked to abide by employee instructions.

ELECTION RESULTS

Here are the final March 16, 2021 election results:

Mayor (Two-Year Term):

- Cosmo Veneziale 2,254
- Robert A. Bolebruch 882

Trustees (Two-Year Term):

- Thomas J. O'Brien 2,213
- Terence P. Digan 2,581
- Bruce J. Chester 2,489
- Richard A. Catalano 950
- Mark A. Hyer 937
- Yvonne Varano 1,060

Trustee (One-Year Term):

- Mary Carter Flanagan 2,740
- Stephen S. Makrinos 810

Village Justice (Four-Year Term):

- Allen S. Mathers 1,808

Newly elected Board members will take their oaths of office during the April 5, 2021 Board of Trustees meeting.

IDENTITY THEFT CASES

Garden City Police are investigating the following identity theft cases in the Village during March:

Between March 2-9, Officers investigated nine reports of victims' identities being stolen and used to file false unemployment claims. On March 10, the Department investigated two reports of victims' identities being used to open auto insurance policies without their

knowledge or consent. Another victim reported a credit card was opened in his name without his permission or knowledge. Further, another victim reported an unauthorized online money transaction against his debit card account. The next day, on March 11, the Department received a report of someone filing a false tax return by using the identity of another person. Then, on March 12, Officers investigated a report of a person's identity being used to open multiple unauthorized credit card accounts. On March 15, a victim reported her identity was used to open multiple unauthorized bank accounts. Another victim's identity was used to open an unauthorized credit card account.

If you believe you may be a victim of identity theft, please contact the Garden City Detective Division at 516-465-4108.

555 STEWART AVENUE

Mayor Theresa Trouvé is expected to execute two agreements in furtherance of the development approvals for 555 Stewart Avenue. The developer is required to provide these agreements by the conditions contained in Board approvals for this project. The agreements, when accepted by the Village, satisfy the requirements for affordable housing compliance and payment of Village property taxes. The 150-unit residence, which will include two four-story buildings, inclusive of 15 affordable housing units, received final site plan approval in July 2020. The residence will consist of 66 one-bedroom units, 72 two-bedroom units and 12 three-bedroom units.

ST. PAUL'S STABILIZATION WORK

Thornton Tomasetti has submitted a revised \$10,400 proposal for roof condition assessment services at St. Paul's. This reduces the amount from \$15,000, which was approved at the February 4, 2021 Board of Trustees meeting. The Board engaged Thornton Tomasetti to provide structural engineering services. Westar Construction Group, Inc. has also submitted a proposal, for \$4,600, to provide a mechanical lift to assist Thornton Tomasetti with their assessment.

AOP TREATMENT FACILITIES FOR WELLS 8 AND 12

The Board of Trustees has ratified an access and easement agreement between the Village and the Garden City Golf Club to grant access to the property so the Village, its employees, consultants, engineers and contractors, including subcontractors, can plan for, install and maintain, at its sole cost and expense, water mains, vaults, pull boxes, manholes, electrical conduits and appurtenances associated with the new AOP Treatment facilities for Well Nos. 8 and 12.

THIRD TRACK UPDATE

Merillon Avenue Station

- Crews have begun the process of commissioning and testing the new elevators to ensure complete functionality and safety requirements are met
- On the south side of the station, platform barriers and metal art railings are being installed along with brick enclosures and canopy roofing

Tanners Pond Road / Denton Avenue Bridge Replacement Project

- Crews began early utility relocation work to accommodate for the upcoming bridge replacement. As a result, local road closures and detours are necessary. It is expected that Tanners Pond Road/Denton Avenue will close from Main Avenue to Railroad Avenue during this activity. Through traffic will be redirected to alternate routes. The Tanners Pond/Denton Avenue Bridge is the last of seven bridges to be replaced or modified as part of the project. The bridge is being removed and replaced with a three-track structure.
- An ADA-compliant sidewalk is planned on the east side of the roadway, which will allow pedestrians to traverse safely between the north and south sides of the tracks.

Nassau 1 Interlocking

- Following the commissioning and cut over of the New Nassau 1 Interlocking & Signal System, which occurred over the weekend of February 27, crews have begun removing old switches at Denton Avenue and outdated equipment along the right-of-way.

Wall Construction

- Sound wall construction is progressing on the north side of the tracks from 5th Avenue to the Merillon Avenue Station commuter parking lot. Residents will continue to see crews working along the tracks drilling caissons into the ground, setting steel posts, pouring concrete, and setting wall panels. The installation of these walls requires the presence of heavy machinery and large trucks. Preparatory work for wall construction on the north side of the tracks, east of Nassau Boulevard, began this month. 3TC crews are removing vegetation along the right-of-way to prepare the area for the future retaining wall and security fence. Following the removal of vegetation, crews will begin installing support of excavation (SOE) to provide the support necessary for the retaining wall. Work on this project element will take place overnight.

For more information, visit the Community News section of LIRRExpansion.com. For up-to-date LIRR service changes and/or changes to station access, visit www.MTA.info/LIRR.

BUDGET WORK SESSIONS

The Board of Trustees is conducting work sessions to review the Tentative 2021/22 Operating and Capital Budgets. Remaining sessions are scheduled to take place via Zoom on the following dates:

***CANCELLED**

Budget Work Session 4

Tuesday, March 30, 2021

7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

- Presentation of Changes/Final Budget

Budget Hearing and Adoption of Budget

Monday, April 5, 2021

8:00 p.m.

- Budget Hearing
- Adoption of Budget

If you wish to attend any of these sessions, email Karen Altman, Village Clerk (kaltman@gardencityny.net) before 3:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting and she will send you the link.