

July 31, 2024

Monday, August 5th is an important day for the Village, and I will be joined by other members of the BOT as we attend the 12:15 rally on the steps of the County Legislative Building at 1550 Franklin Ave (corner of Old Country Rd) to voice our unequivocal and unanimous opposition to the Proposed Mega casino at the Nassau Hub.

We recognize the politics behind the Casino project and the likelihood the Nassau County Legislature will vote in favor of a lease agreement to move this project forward. However, we will continue to show up and speak out against this project that we know will have a severely negative impact on our beautiful Village and all of Nassau County. I hope to see you there on Monday!

Why is it so important to continue speaking out against this project? In addition to the hope that our own legislator, John Guiffre, and others will vote no, we understand how important showing opposition is to the ultimate decision on who will get the gambling license from Albany.

Thank you to all who took the time to submit written comments already, and if you did not, comments are still being accepted until August 5th at LegPublicComment@nassaucountyny.gov.

Attending Monday's rally and the afternoon hearing beginning at 1:00 p.m. at the Nassau County Legislative Building is a great way to let your voice be heard.

ST. PAUL'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

As we look forward to the Re-imagined St. Paul's Phase, the Village Board of Trustees is seeking volunteers with large scale commercial project experience in the following fields:

- ✓ Construction
- ✓ Architecture
- ✓ Engineering

Resumes should be sent to Village Clerk Kelly Galanek at kgalanek@gardencityny.net.

TOLL LODGE REHABILITATION

The Board has approved a new capital project to rehabilitate the historic Toll Lodge building. The project was awarded to New Safeway Contracting Corp., low bidder, at a cost of \$114,725. According to Public Works Superintendent John Borroni, the project includes roof and gutter replacement, exterior cleaning and painting, interior painting and new flooring. I am excited to see us bringing it back to what it should be. I'd like to thank Trustee Muldoon for his work on the project.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT AUGUST 6

On Tuesday, August 6, 2024, the Garden City Police Department will participate in the Annual National Night Out Crime and Drug Prevention event at the Garden City Pool between 12:00 and 6:00 p.m. National Night Out is a national community-building campaign that promotes Police-Community partnerships and involves over 16,790 communities worldwide. National Night Out is designed to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness, generate support for and participation in local anticrime efforts, strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships, and send a message to criminals, letting them know neighborhoods are organized and fighting back. During the event, residents will be invited to participate in games and activities that promote safety. In addition, inkless child ID kits are being made available free to parents through a collaborative effort to protect state/local children with National Night Out, the National Child ID Program, and the Garden City Police Department. Officers will also be collecting any unused, expired, and unwanted

medications. Commissioner Kenneth Jackson invites all residents to come to the Pool. Citizen involvement is vital in our fight to build a safer community, and he urges residents to:

- Report a crime or suspicious activity as soon as it happens
- Take necessary steps to prevent crime
- Join and/or support local community organizations that address crime and quality of life issues
- Discuss with your family what to do in case of emergencies
- Encourage safe driving, biking, and walking habits
- Discuss the Department's Crime Prevention through Environmental Design Program (CPTED)
- Help make children aware of the dangers of drugs and alcohol, and
- Advise them what to do when approached by strangers

SECURITY DOORS TO BE INSTALLED AT LIBRARY

Installation of new doors and security devices in the Library's entryway will begin Tuesday, August 6. The project is expected to take two to three days, August 6-8. The Library will remain open regular hours but the front doors will be closed. Staff and patrons must use the entrance in the parking lot to gain access to the Library for the duration of the project. The Computer Lab and lower level will be closed to the public during this time. Programs on the lower level will either be canceled, rescheduled or postponed, depending on the program:

- August 6 Storytime - As planned
- August 6 Teen Advisory Board - Moved to the Teen Room
- August 6 Adult crafts and games - Rescheduled To A Future Date
- August 7 Kindergarten Readiness - Rescheduled To A Future Date
- August 7 Teen Trivia Night - Moved to the STEAM workshop
- August 8 Tie Dye (both sessions) - Moved to STEAM workshop

This capital project will further enhance security measures being implemented at the Library to ensure a safe space for patrons and employees alike. Please watch for further announcements via email, check the Library website, or call the Library by phone, 516-742-8405.

JUNE GARDEN CITY POLICE ACTIVITY

During the month of June, the Garden City Police Department responded to 2,326 service calls:

- 64 case investigations
- 13 arrests
- 140 medical calls
- 99 traffic crashes
- 1,008 moving violations
- 2,288 parking tickets
- 12 appearance tix
- 9 vehicle impounds

HAPPENING IN GARDEN CITY

FRIDAY, AUGUST 2 6:15 p.m. Jester Jim at Edgemere Park

MONDAY, AUGUST 5 1:30 p.m. Movie Matinée: *Cool Runnings* at the Library

TUESDAY, AUGUST 6 12:00 p.m. National Night Out at the Pool

TUESDAY, AUGUST 6 4:00 p.m. Teen Advisory Board Meeting at the Library. Must register.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 6 7:00 p.m. Crafts and Games for Adults with Developmental Disabilities at the Library. Must register.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7 6:00 p.m. The Bubble Bus returns to Tullamore Park

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7 7:00 p.m. Teen Trivia Night at the Library. Must register.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8 1:00 p.m. Nassau County Department of Assessment Tax Exemption Program, at the Senior Center

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8 7:15 p.m. Gazebo Concert: Blue Meanies playing the best of The Beatles and The Monkeys