

May 21, 2025

This past Monday several residents joined me and Trustees Catalano and Muldoon at the NC Legislature building to comment on the Final EIS report regarding the potential environmental impact a massive casino development would have on the Coliseum grounds and surrounding environs. I could not have been more impressed with those that spoke out in opposition...both from the Village as well as the Say No to The Casino advocacy group. We will continue to follow that crucial process to its conclusion.

Additionally, this coming Tuesday, the Town of Hempstead Board will be holding its regular meeting at 10:30 a.m. at 1 Washington St. (in the Meeting Pavilion). The issue of rezoning and the enactment of the Mitchell Field Integrated Resort District at the Coliseum grounds is scheduled to be on the calendar. If adopted, even though there is no current casino operator sponsor for development, a casino build out would be allowed to proceed unimpeded at the Coliseum site. I plan on attending along with several residents and our allies in "Say No."

Finally, it's hard not to marvel at the job our Rec and DPW teams are performing on 7th St. as we get ready to commemorate Memorial Day and kick off the summer season in the Village...many thanks all around. Enjoy the long weekend and please take a moment on Monday to pay homage to those men and woman who made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our country. A sacrifice that all of us in the Village and beyond benefit from every single day.

VILLAGE SEEKS VOLUNTEER TO SERVE ON WATER AUTHORITY

The Water Authority of Western Nassau County provides water to some Village residents who live in the westernmost part of the Village. Members consist of two appointed by the Town of Hempstead, two appointed by the Town of North Hempstead, and one member each appointed by the Village boards of the Villages served by the Authority - Bellerose, Floral Park, New Hyde Park, South Floral Park, Stewart Manor and Garden City. The Board meets once a month, on the third Monday, at their headquarters in New Hyde Park. Occasionally, the Garden City Board Member will serve as a liaison between residents and the Authority on matters of service, billing, etc. Interested candidates who wish to volunteer may send their letter of interest and resumé to Village Clerk Kelly Galanek at kgalanek@gardencityny.net.

BEAUTIFYING OUR DOWNTOWN

As the saying goes, "it takes a village." This was evident on Seventh Street this week with all hands on deck to prep Garden City's downtown for Memorial Day, the highly anticipated return of the Belmont Festival and the long days of summer. Public Works and Recreation and Parks combined their workforce and equipment to take advantage of the weather to make a material dent in the tree grates on Seventh Street, between Hilton and Franklin avenues. Crews also hung flower baskets and performed other maintenance activities along the walkway as well.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The Village of Garden City is currently accepting candidates for several positions, including Deputy Village Treasurer, Parking Meter Attendant, Assistant Superintendent of Building Department, and Chair of the Recreation and Parks Department, to name a few. You can read the full job descriptions on our website via the Career Opportunities button [<https://www.gardencityny.net/441/Career-Opportunities>]. All candidates should email letters of interest and resumés to the respective emails included in each job description.

MEMORIAL DAY 2025

William Bradford Turner Post, No. 265 will conduct its Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 26, 2025, beginning with a 9:00 a.m. Memorial Service at the Cathedral of the Incarnation, followed by 10:00 a.m. parade assembly in the parking lot on the east corner of 10th Street and Franklin Avenue, where the parade steps off. The parade route is as follows: southbound Franklin Avenue, westbound 7th Street to the Veterans Memorial, where a ceremony will take place at 11:00 a.m. Post Commander Frank Tauches will lead the ceremony, which honors the men and women who have died while serving in the United States military.

VETERANS FLAGS ON 7TH STREET

The veterans flags on 7th Street, between Hilton Avenue and Cathedral Avenue, are a beautiful way to honor our local veterans. In October 2024, the Board approved the addition of flags on light poles on the south side of Seventh Street, along the stretch between Hilton Avenue and Cathedral avenues. These flags were erected May 15 and join the original 10 flags erected last May, at the request of Garden City High School junior Kiera O'Leary, whose Girl Scout Gold Award project was met with much enthusiasm. The veterans flags can be seen along 7th Street from Memorial Day through Veterans Day. The flags include a photo of local veterans and their dates of service.

SANITATION COLLECTION – MEMORIAL DAY 2025

Residents are reminded that there will be no garbage or recycling pickup on Monday, May 26, 2025. The Holiday Week Collection Schedule will be as follows:

GARBAGE

Western Half of Village: Tuesday and Friday

Eastern Half of Village: Wednesday and Saturday

RUBBISH

Entire Village: Thursday, May 29

RECYCLING

Residents scheduled for recycling on Monday, May 26 are asked to put recyclables out on Monday, June 2.