

October 29, 2025

COUPLE OF UPDATES:

Marine Corps Property: As a result of the Government shutdown, activity at the 605 Stewart Avenue site remains unchanged. In fact, the physical and environmental inspection tentatively scheduled for late this month was cancelled. When it's rescheduled, our contact at the Marine Corps Installations Command will reach out, and also keep us posted if and when control of the site passes to the Navy Department. Thank you to our own Frank Tauches.

Western Firehouse: Our Superintendent of Buildings, Giuseppe Giovanniello, has been sharpening his pencil on the latest proposal from our preferred contractor. It's been a lengthy period of analysis and study of several proposals and many subcontractors. We hope to present the plans at an upcoming November BOT meeting.

Propel New York: We are awaiting the final proposed pathway for the two new transmission cables which will run from the south shore under the sound and into the Bronx and Westchester. We expect to hear from the New York Power Authority/Transco partnership in the coming weeks. To remind folks, since the spring, the Village has been working closely with Propel New York senior staffers to mitigate disruption on major roadways in our eastern section.

RESIDENTS WARNED ABOUT WATER TESTING SOLICITATION

In recent weeks, residents may have received notices in the mail from an outside company regarding water test kits. Please be advised these notices are not from the Village. The Garden City Water Department mails an annual [Drinking Water Quality Report](#) in May and periodic notices about your water throughout the year. The third-party mailers may imply that the Village is the source of their information, but this is not the case. The Village does not endorse or recommend these water tests and advises residents to be cautious, as the intent behind these solicitations is unclear.

MATTHEW NORDT APPOINTED RECREATION & PARKS SUPERINTENDENT

We are pleased to announce that Matthew Nordt officially begins his appointment as Superintendent of Recreation & Parks on Monday, November 3, 2025. His appointment is effective for the balance of the official year, ending April 6, 2026. Mr. Nordt is a recreation professional who graduated St. Thomas Aquinas College with a Bachelor of Science degree in recreation and leisure management. He most recently served as Recreation Director of the City of Newburgh. Andy Hill has served as Acting Superintendent/Chair of the Board of Commissioners of Cultural and Recreational Affairs since Paul Blake's retirement in 2024. Andy has done an extraordinary job for us and we thank him for a job well done.

UPDATE: CRACKING DOWN ON ILLEGAL U-TURNS ON 7TH STREET

Due to recent concerns regarding illegal U-turns and parking on 7th Street and in Parking Field 7S, the Police Department has increased their enforcement efforts targeting drivers who pose a threat to public safety. As a result, Officers and Police Aides issued 436 tickets in this area during a recent two-week period, including 99 tickets for illegal U-Turns. Motorists are reminded that in addition to the negative impact that illegal U-turns have on pedestrian safety, violators are subject to receiving a \$243 fine and

two points on their license.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

On Sunday, November 2 (Daylight Saving Time), New Yorkers will set their clocks back one hour. The Garden City Fire Department is urging everyone to check their smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors at that time. Homeowners with alarms that have sealed, non-removable batteries should test the alarms to see if they are functional and check their expiration dates. Alarms equipped with removable batteries should have their batteries replaced and then test the alarm. Here are some smoke alarm tips from FASNY and the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA):

- Test alarms at least once a month by using the test button.
- If you have an alarm with a removable battery, check the batteries every six months, and change the batteries every year.
- If a battery is starting to lose its power, the unit will usually chirp to warn you. Do NOT disable the unit.
- Vacuum or blow out any dust that might accumulate in the unit.
- Never borrow a battery from an alarm to use somewhere else.
- Never paint a smoke or CO alarm.
- Install at least one smoke alarm on every floor of your home, including the basement, and in, or near each sleeping area.
- Smoke alarms should not be installed near a window because drafts could interfere with their operation.
- Always follow the manufacturer's instructions for testing smoke alarms and replacing the batteries.
- Families should also develop and practice a home fire escape plan!