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THE MAYOR'S UPDATE

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FATAL HOUSE FIRE

The Garden City Board of Trustees has ordered all flags be lowered to half-staff following a fatal house fire Thursday, May 6 in the Village. "It's a tragic day in Garden City," Mayor Cosmo Veneziale said, requesting a moment of silence prior to the start of the May 6 Board meeting. Newly appointed Fire Commissioner, Trustee Tom O'Brien, thanked Village police and fire personnel for their heroic actions. "Our thoughts are with their family and friends at this time," he said.

WATER UPDATE

At the water tower off Old Country Road, sandblasting continues in the morning with priming the sandblasted areas in the afternoon. The majority of the exterior is complete with miscellaneous touch-ups remaining. Repair of the dimpled roof areas is taking place this week. Once repairs are made, exterior blast and prime is expected to be complete.

Well 7 (Waterworks site): Construction is completed and in operation. The contractor is working on ordering parts for punch list items. Permanent construction to be incorporated with permanent construction of Well Nos. 8 and 12.

Well Nos. 8 and 12 (Rockaway Avenue site): Conduit work for the Advanced Oxidation Process (AOP) enclosures continues at this site, as does piping. Concrete has been placed for the H₂O₂ tank pad. Site piping and electrical work at the AOP enclosures will continue. Granular Activated Carbon (GAC) media delivery is expected May 14-15. GAC building structural steel expected to be completed this week. Flowing water through Well No. 12 and pressure testing will occur within the next few weeks.

Well 9 (Wilson Street site): The Engineering Report was submitted the week of May 3, 2021. H2M will provide the Village with a proposal for design of an AOP treatment system.

Well Nos. 10 and 11 (Clinton Road site): Well No. 10 electric and communication work has been completed. Crews also repaired the leak in Well No. 11's GAC vessel drain piping. Vibration testing for Well No. 10 will begin. Following vibration testing, Well No. 10 will be sampled and results submitted to the New York State Department of Health for approval to operate.

Well Nos. 13 and 14 (Garden City Country Club site): Representatives from H2M and the Village met with the Golf Club on May 7 to discuss the new GAC treatment building and miscellaneous site features. H2M will prepare preliminary building elevations for the GAC building accordingly; site plantings to be discussed separately.

Well 15 and 16 (Hilton Park site): Crews began installing structural steel for the first floor. The first floor deck is also being installed. Block and brickwork will begin as well. The GAC and packed aeration tower will also be installed.

The 2020 Drinking Water Quality Report is now available on the Village website; a hard copy is being mailed to all customers by the end of May.

2020 DRINKING WATER QUALITY REPORT

The Village of Garden City is pleased to present the 2020 Water Quality Report. The report is required to be delivered to all residents of our Village in compliance with Federal and State regulations and is designed to inform you about the quality water and services we deliver to you on a daily basis. It is important to the Village that our residents are familiar with the efforts that are taken to protect our water resources and to continually improve the water treatment process. Our goal is to deliver the highest quality water to your home. To read the full report, please visit the “Village Notifications and Alerts” section of the website, www.gardencityny.net.

ST. PAUL’S

The last part of the original stabilization scope of work at St. Paul’s, the removal and storage of the stained glass chapel windows, was awarded to LoDuca and Associates. They are currently assembling their insurance package as part of their contract documents. This work expected to get underway in the coming weeks, according to Walter Beal, project executive with the CNY Group. The main stabilization package, which consisted primarily of structural repairs and sealing open holes in the mansard roof was completed in December of 2020.

TREE CITY USA

The Village of Garden City has been named a “2020 Tree City USA” by the Arbor Foundation in honor of its commitment to effective urban forest management. Garden City achieved the recognition by meeting the program’s four requirements: a tree board or department; a tree care ordinance; an annual community forestry budget of a minimum expenditure per capita; and an Arbor Day observance and proclamation. Recreation Commissioner Paul Blake said, “The Village is extremely proud of our tree program, which cares for and nurtures our ‘urban forest’ of over 12,000 trees. This ongoing commitment to maintaining the health of our trees, and replanting when trees need to be removed, adds greatly to the look and feel of our Village.” The Arbor Day Foundation, in partnership with the U.S. Forest Service and the National Association of State Foresters, sponsors the Tree City USA program.

MAY 20 BOARD MEETING

The Board of Trustees will hold a Regular Meeting via Zoom on Thursday, May 20, 2021. The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. The Zoom meeting link information is below:

Join Zoom Meeting

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