

INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF
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LOCATION

Central Nassau County
20 miles east of midtown Manhattan
5.3 square miles

GOVERNMENT

Founded in 1869 and Incorporated in 1919
Governed by a Mayor and seven Trustees
Village Administrator and Executive Staff

POPULATION

22,371 (2010 United States Census)

SERVICES

Police, Fire, Business Office, Building, Engineering,
Street/Highway, Water/Sewer, Sanitation/Recycling,
Parks/Recreation and Justice Court

RESIDENTIAL HOMES

Homes - 6,486
Condominiums - 462
Apartments/Co-ops - 636

BUSINESS COMMUNITY

Commercial area includes banks, investment firms, office complexes, retail businesses, major department stores, variety of restaurants and food establishments and a four-star hotel

SCHOOLS

Seven public school buildings, eight private/parochial schools and one university (Adelphi University)

HOUSES OF WORSHIP

Eleven houses of worship

To Our Fellow Residents of Garden City,

This is the annual report for fiscal year June 1, 2013 through May 31, 2014. The primary purpose of this report is to provide the residents of the Village with an account of the stewardship of Village affairs by their Board of Trustees during the past fiscal year. The Board of Trustees work as a team with the Village Administrator and the Executive Staff all year long, 24/7/365, to fine tune the budget process. Using state-of-the-art technology, we strive to develop a fiscally sound budget, which will keep tax increases to a minimum while delivering quality essential municipal services to our residents. It is imperative that we all work together as a team to accomplish this task, while keeping the residents' best interests at heart.



Since the Village was incorporated in 1919, members of Garden City's governing Board of Trustees have been elected by a non-partisan vote of residents in accordance with the policies of the Community Agreement, this assures an equal balance of representation from the four Property Owners' Associations. The Property Owners' Associations work together with the various Boards and Commissions, a process which also helps to reduce the costs associated with operating the Village. Additionally, this allows for a community that works together as a team for the betterment of the Village. The Village Board of Trustees hosted a Volunteer Recognition Dinner on November 20, 2013, at the Garden City Casino to recognize and thank current members of the various Property Owners' Associations, Boards and Commissions who have volunteered unselfishly of their time and talents to the Village.

Your Board of Trustees is committed to maintaining a responsible and dynamic local government organization that continuously assesses the needs of the whole Village and seeks the most effective means for meeting those needs. Please make an effort to find the time to become involved in your Village and to help sustain our ongoing commitment to excellence. I hope that you will attend an upcoming Board Meeting, Budget Meeting or any other Village meeting and that you will choose to become an active participant in your Village's future.

John J. Watras

Mayor

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This is the eighty-first published Annual Report, covering the 2013-2014 fiscal year (June 1, 2013 through May 31, 2014). It highlights the operations of the municipal government of Garden City. The purpose of the Annual Report is to keep the residents of Garden City informed on the activities of the past year. This is vital in the process of interactive government. It should be noted that references are made to State, County, Town and School District; these agencies operate separately and have their own power of taxation.

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History of Garden City

In 1869, Alexander Turney Stewart was one of the richest men in the world. In today's money, his fortune would be estimated at over \$50 billion. He had created a commercial empire, the likes of which the world had never seen. He is credited with creating the concept of the department store and, in so doing, he changed the retail world.

A.T. Stewart & Co. was known across America and in Europe. His fame and fortune was legendary, and he was even nominated to become Secretary of the Treasury under President Grant in 1869. Stewart's wealth and extensive real estate holdings, however, prevented Congress from confirming his appointment.

It was Stewart's architect, John Kellum, who informed him in the spring of 1869 of the opportunity to buy the entire Hempstead Plains on Long Island, stretching from Floral Park to Bethpage. The almost 10,000 acre site was two-thirds the size of Manhattan, and Stewart's offer of \$55 an acre was accepted in July of 1869. By the fall of that year, this Scottish-Irish immigrant began creating his legacy – his Garden City.

He would never live in Garden City nor see it completed, but it was his ideals, wealth and wisdom that gave Garden City its start. We can see the results in the beauty and order of today's Garden City.

Stewart died on April 10, 1876, in his magnificent Fifth Avenue mansion in Manhattan. Less than seven years since the Garden City project was started, Stewart was gone. However, he did lay the groundwork for the Village, including his own rail road, now part of the Long Island Rail Road, along with about 60 homes and buildings and the first Garden City Hotel. Also, thousands of trees and shrubs were brought in to cover the barren landscape.

After his death, his wife, Cornelia (they had no children), built the Cathedral of the Incarnation, St. Paul's School, St. Mary's School and the Bishop's Mansion as an elaborate memorial to her husband. Garden City became the Seat of the Episcopal Church on Long Island. Cornelia Stewart died in 1886, and her heirs formed the Garden City Company in 1893 to continue the orderly development of Garden City into the Incorporated Village we know today.

Garden City Archives

Garden City Historian, Suzanne (Suzie) Alvey, who was appointed in 2013 by Mayor John J. Watras, is responsible for collecting and preserving material relating to the Village's history. These items are located in the Stewart Room of the Garden City Public Library. This room contains over 1,800 items relating to Garden City that include: books, photographs, correspondence, newspaper files, postcards and records of community activities.

In addition to historic preservation, the Village Historian provides information to people doing research: genealogists, authors of historical books, writes articles on our history for local papers and gives presentations to community groups. The Historian is a member of the Garden City Historical Society.



Village resident, Bill Bellmer, volunteers as an archivist and helps maintain records. Currently, the emphasis has been on scanning materials for www.LongIslandMemories.org. This web-site features approximately 1,300 items about Garden City including the postcard collection of former Historian Vincent Seyfried, the collection of local historical images furnished by Garden City residents and early copies of "The Garden City News" dating from its inception.

Community Agreement

At the time of the Village's incorporation in 1919, two separate organizations controlled what is now known as Garden City. The Garden City Company operated Central Garden City and Garden City East, while the Garden City Estates Corporation managed the remainder of the Village.

Neither side, however, wished to be governed by the other. To solve the stalemate, C. Walter Randall, Esq., created the Community Agreement to insure fair representation so no one section could monopolize government.

For 95 years, members of the Incorporated Village of Garden City's governing Board of Trustees have been elected by a non-partisan vote of residents in accordance with the policies of the Agreement. Qualified citizens, who have served in civic affairs in their section of the Village, are chosen by their neighbors in open session to represent them on the Board.

The election process makes Garden City's government structure unique among incorporated villages as it enables an equal balance of representation from the Villages' four Property Owners' Associations.

Prior to the Annual Village Election, each Property Owners' Association simultaneously holds a Resident Electors' Meeting on the third Tuesday in January to cross-endorse the presented Trustees and/or the candidate for Mayor as brought forth by their respective Nominating Committees. The candidate becomes part of the full slate of candidates, as the nominee of the Community Agreement Party, and is presented to the voters on the Village's Election Day, held the third Tuesday in March. The Mayor is selected and nominated for one two-year term by each of the four Property Owners' Associations. The elected position of Mayor rotates among the four Property Owners' Associations. This election process repeats itself each year.

The various Boards and Commissions, made up of Village residents brought forth by the Property Owners' Associations, are appointed by the Board of Trustees. The Mayor, Board of Trustees and members of these Boards and Commissions serve without compensation.

This long-standing policy, scrupulously observed over the years, continues to be instrumental in creating a non-political atmosphere with respect to the administration of municipal affairs.



Mayor John J. Watras welcomes newly elected Trustee Theresa A. Trouvé.

Board of Trustees

This Annual Report contains information relating to the Village's various Departments as well as budget information for the period of June 1, 2013 through May 31, 2014. The Board of Trustees, who were in office at the close of this fiscal year, are shown.



NICHOLAS P. EPISCOPIA
Trustee
Eastern Section



DENNIS C. DONNELLY
Trustee
Eastern Section



BRIAN C. DAUGHNEY
Trustee
Estates Section



JOHN A. DEMARO
Trustee
Estates Section



JOHN J. WATRAS
Mayor
Western Section



ROBERT A. BOLEBRUCH
Trustee
Western Section



RICHARD V. SILVER
Trustee
Central Section



THERESA A. TROUVÉ
Trustee
Central Section

Administration, Organization and Village Council



RALPH V. SUOZZI
Village Administrator

Village Administrator

Garden City’s Chief Administrative Officer fills the role of Village Administrator. Responsible to the Mayor and Board of Trustees, he coordinates the activities of the Village Departments to ensure the effective delivery of municipal services.

Duties of the Office include providing the Board with essential information and recommendations that are necessary in formulating policies designed to maintain and enhance Village operations. The Village Administrator also keeps the Board informed of the Village’s financial condition and coordinates the preparation of the Village budget and its implementation after adoption by the Board.

Village Clerk/Deputy Village Administrator

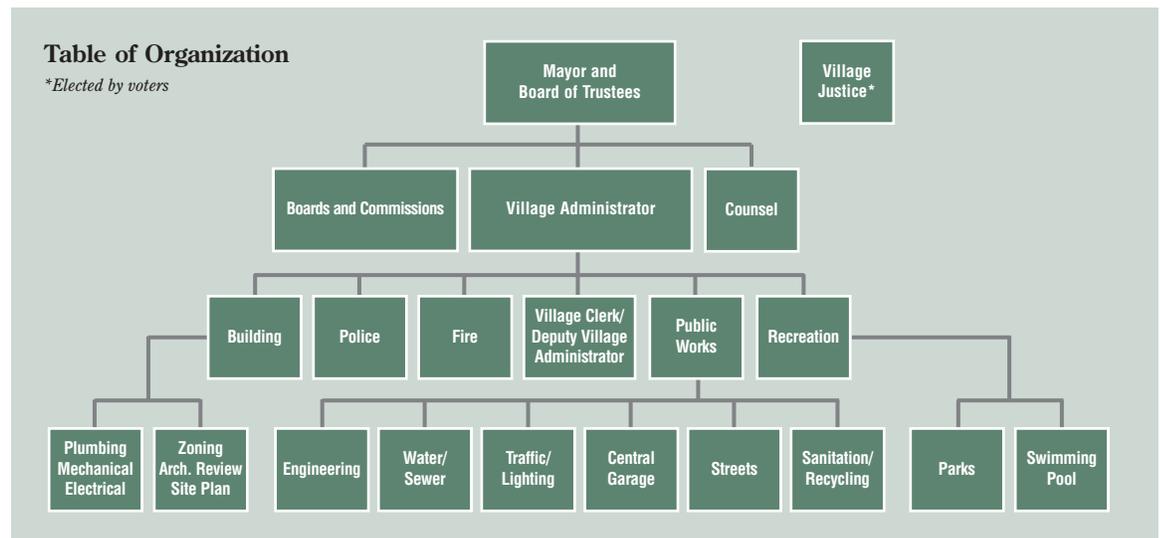
The Village Clerk serves as the Clerk to the Board of Trustees. Responsible for the recording of all of its proceedings and decisions, the Village Clerk is the Election Officer for Village Elections and the Collector of Taxes. In addition to maintaining all legal notices for the Village of Garden City, the Village Clerk is the custodian of all municipal records and facilitator of other duties as determined by the Board of Trustees and Village Administrator.



BRIAN S. RIDGWAY
Village Clerk/Deputy
Village Administrator

Executive Staff

Members of the Executive Staff represent each Department of the Village and report directly to the Village Administrator.



Village Council

The Village retains two law firms as counsel to the Mayor, Board of Trustees, Village Administrator and their advisory Boards and Commissions. Both firms maintain their own offices and staff independent of Village offices.

Bee Ready Fishbein Hatter & Donovan, LLP, advises on legal matters, including legislation (local laws), zoning and other ordinances, real estate assessments, public hearings and elections.

Bond, Schoeneck & King, PLLC, provides legal services in connection with collective bargaining agreements and labor matters.

In addition, Hawkins Delafield & Wood, LLP, is engaged as municipal bond counsel for special bond and note issues.

Justice Court



ALLEN S. MATHERS
Village Justice

Elected by the Residents to a 4 year term



BRIAN T. DEVENEY
Acting Village Justice

Appointed by the Mayor to a 1 year term



MERRIL S. BISCONI
Acting Village Justice

Appointed by the Mayor to a 1 year term

Garden City has one of the busiest village courts in the State. The Court has jurisdiction over the enforcement of our Village Code, including parking tickets and zoning code violations, as well as New York State Vehicle and Traffic Violations and Misdemeanors, Alcoholic Beverage Control Law Matters and Federal Motor Carrier Act Violations.

The Court may impose fines, sentence convicted defendants to imprisonment or enter into agreements with defendants to perform community service in lieu of traditional sentencing, where warranted.

The Village Justice and Acting Justices receive no compensation for their service.

Boards, Commissions and Committees

Residents are appointed by the Mayor and Board of Trustees to serve on various Boards and Commissions and do so without compensation. Those listed below held the noted position during this past fiscal year. () Date entered Village service.

Architectural Design Review Board

This Board examines the exterior design of buildings for the purpose of maintaining appropriate standards of appearance with respect to the specific buildings and their relationship to their surroundings. All plans for new buildings, additions, alterations and signs are required to be submitted, with the exception of additions or alterations to one-family homes. Seven members of the Board are appointed for three-year terms. Amended July 19, 2012 in order to allow alternate members.

Hugh S. Lacy (1991), Chairman	Donald A. Hickey, Jr. (2006)	Christopher E. Rivielle (2012)
Robert A. Tinnelly (1991), Vice Chairman	Barbara M. Ruggiero (2008)	Cosmo Veneziale (2012), Alternate Member
Robert C. Seitz (1999)	Celia M. Petersen (2010)	

Board of Commissioners of Cultural and Recreational Affairs

This Board consists of eight members; one representative from each section of the Village and four at-large members. The Commissioners oversee development of the Village's Recreation Program. Amended November 21, 2013 to allow for two additional members.

Kevin E. Ocker (2003), Chairman	Timothy E. Stapleford (2008)	Kristina Russo (2013)
Michael Ryder (1997)	Kenneth R. Moody (2011)	
Patrick J. Manley (2007)	Judy Courtney (2013)	

Board of Library Trustees

Five qualified residents of the Village are appointed to five-year terms on the Board of Library Trustees and are responsible for Library operations.

J. Randolph Colahan (2002), Chairman	Peter L. D'Antonio (2013)	Charles J. Murphy (2014)
Gloria Weinrich (2004), Vice Chairperson	Lola Nouryan (2013)	

Board of Police Commissioners

The members of this Board supervise, control and direct the operations of the Police Department. Each year, members of the Board are appointed by the Mayor and ratified by the Board of Trustees. The Chairman is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the Police Department, its sworn Police Officers and the civilian staff.

Kenneth O. Jackson (1985), Chairman	Nicholas P. Episcopia (2005)
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Environmental Advisory Board

This eight member Board is appointed for four-year terms. The Chairperson is a Member of the Board of Trustees. This Board is responsible to the Board of Trustees and reports on environmental matters affecting the Village. Additionally, the Director of Public Works acts as Recording Secretary and the Garden City High School is represented by up to three high school students.

Theresa A. Trouvé (2014), Chairperson	Benjamin H. Mahler (2010)	Carole Neidich-Ryder (2014)
Leo Stimmler (2006)	Christopher A. Gorman (2012)	Michael Arianas (2013), GCHS Rep
Elizabeth M. Bailey (2010)	Laurence J. Quinn (2013)	

Boards, Commissions and Committees

Planning Commission

This seven-member Commission is appointed for terms of three years. The group reviews plans for the development of vacant areas, streets, parks and other public places, and subdivisions of private property to assure consistency with established community standards. With the exception of a one family dwelling on a single plot, the Planning Commission also performs site plan review for all new buildings, additions to buildings, altered land use activities and projects containing more than one home. The Commission also conducts studies and is advisory to the Board of Trustees on matters relating to zoning, parking and other issues.

H. Bradford Gustavson (1999), Chairman Charles Palagonia (2006) Neil J. Sweeney (2012)
Charles L. Koester, Jr. (1992) William A. Bellmer (2009)

Traffic Commission

The Traffic Commission is appointed annually by the Mayor and ratified by the Board of Trustees. The Commission is comprised of one Trustee from each of the four sections of the Village, who are voting members. The Director of Public Works and Chairman of the Board of Police Commissioners act in a supporting role. This Commission is responsible for traffic control operations and devices. Requests for signs by residents related to quality of life issues and review of parking regulations are discussed at monthly meetings and determinations are made as required.

Brian C. Daughney (2010), Chairman Robert J. Mangan (1991) Robert A. Bolebruch (2012)
Kenneth O. Jackson (1985) Dennis C. Donnelly (2009) Theresa A. Trouvé (2014)

Zoning Board of Appeals

The Board of Appeals interprets the Zoning Code and makes decisions on applications for variances and special permits. The Board consists of five members and one alternate member who serve for five-year terms.

Robert L. Cunningham (1985), Chairman Michael T. Schroder (1992) John A. Ardito (2008)
John G. Villanella (1989) Brian Paradine (2004) Peter E. Gall (2009), Alternate Member

Civic Beautification Committee

Working with the Village Arborist, the Committee assists in selecting the type and placement of flowers and trees on the Village's many public properties and pursuing the long-held goal of making the Village an official arboretum.

Suzanne Alvey (2009), Chairperson Kathleen Auro (2005)
Althea Robinson (1988) Janet Curtin (2009)

Board of Ethics

The Board of Ethics recognizes that there are rules of ethical conduct for public officers and employees which must be observed if a high degree of moral conduct is to be obtained and if public confidence is to be maintained in our unit of local government. This Board ensures that all Village Officials and Employees are conducting themselves in such a manner. This Board is appointed by the Mayor.

Allen S. Mathers (1988), Chairman Charles P. Menges, Jr. (1976) Maureen E. Clancy (1986)

Village Historian

The task of collecting and preserving historical materials and records is performed by the Village Historian. These materials constitute the Village Archives, which are maintained in the Garden City Public Library.

Suzanne Alvey (2013)

Local Laws/Employee Recognition Luncheon

Local Laws

The Village adopted the following four Local Laws. A Legislative Intent Summary is provided after each Law for your reference.

2013

Local Law 3-2013: To Require a Notice to the Clerk for Solicitations by Certain Exempt Organizations

The Village Code exempts certain organizations from license requirements stated in the Code. The Village Board of Trustees determined that before such organizations solicit within the Village, they are to notify the Village Clerk, provide essential information which can be validated and agree to abide by the provisions set forth in the Village Code and the policies established by the Village Board.

Local Law 4-2013: To Amend the Code of the Village of Garden City to Permit Non-Resident Parking at Rail Road Stations

This action of the Village Board of Trustees amended the Village Code to permit non-resident parking at the Stewart Manor Rail Road Station. Persons not residing within the corporate limits of the Village are required to obtain a permit and sticker.

Local Law 5-2013: To Amend the Code of the Village of Garden City to Regulate Business Hours

For the purpose of preserving, protecting and promoting the public health, comfort, convenience, safety, welfare, prosperity and the peace and quiet of the Village, regulations were established regulating the hours that businesses in the Village can remain open. With the exception of hotels, restaurants and business establishments licensed to sell alcoholic beverages at retail for on-premises consumption, it shall be unlawful for businesses to remain open during the period from 12:00 midnight to 6:00 p.m.

2014

Local Law 1-2014: To Authorize a Property Tax Levy in Excess of the Limit Established in General Municipal Law Section 3-c

To allow the Village to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing on June 1, 2014, that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the “tax levy limit”.

Employee Recognition Luncheon

The Village’s Department Heads sponsored the Employee Recognition Luncheon again this year. The luncheon, held on the grounds of the Cottages at St. Paul’s on October 5th, honored those employees with perfect attendance. In addition, the following employees were presented with anniversary certificates acknowledging their years of service:



Employee Awards

30 Years Joseph R. AgoliaLibrary
Martin F. BoweLibrary
Keith C. JackowskiRecreation Department

25 Years Bart A. DiCostanzoStreet Department
Stephen C. DitzelWater and Sewer Department
Stephen J. EspeyRecreation Department
Michael P. FieselParks Department
Mark C. FrappiedFire Department
Andrea A. GazarianPolice Department
Roger W. KahlesVillage Shop
Kevin J. KirbyWater and Sewer Department
Donald M. MarraFire Department
David J. ShinerParks Department
John K. ValentineStreet Department



20 Years Charles A. Argenzio, Sr.Sanitation Department
David BroasParks Department
Joseph L. BrusackVillage Shop
Peter J. HudakPolice Department
Frank Q. KellyClerk’s Office
Barry W. NaumannVillage Shop
Linda M. TorenoBuilding Department
James W. WheelerBuilding Department
Robert E. WhitelyStreet Department

Building Department



MICHAEL D. FILIPPONE
Superintendent of Building

The Building Department is responsible for monitoring all construction that takes place on private property within the Village, the purpose of which is to ensure that the work is done in a safe, reliable and energy-efficient manner so as to protect and serve the occupants in both commercial buildings and private homes. This is accomplished by adhering to various codes and standards including, but not limited to, the Village Zoning Code, the New York State Building, Fire, Plumbing, Mechanical, Electrical and Energy Codes, as well as other regulations and reference standards. To achieve that objective we review plans, conduct inspections and guide applicants through any pre-approval procedures that may be required. These include the Architectural Design Review Board, the Planning Commission and the Zoning Board of Appeals. The Department prepares the agendas, publishes the notices, attends the meetings and serves in an advisory capacity for these agencies.

This year, two major projects of note were started, the Doubleday Court Condominiums at 301 Franklin Avenue and the new Nexus Building and underground garage at Adelphi University. Of particular interest at the Doubleday Project was the need to protect an unusual specimen tree

known as a Cedar-of-Lebanon, which was planted from seed collected from the Taurus Mountains of Turkey in 1902 and planted c. 1910. We required the owner to hire a master arborist to guarantee its protection during the construction.



Doubleday Court Condominiums



Cedar-of-Lebanon Tree

The construction of new homes and the addition or alteration to existing homes continued steadily. The business community was also quite active. The Department collected permit fees totaling \$887,744, which translates to \$44,387,000 of construction value. In addition, \$54,360 in fees was collected for Zoning Board of Appeals, Planning Commission and Architectural Review Board applications.



Adelphi University's Nexus Building

Departmental Personnel consist of a Superintendent, an Assistant Superintendent, two Inspectors and two Administrative Assistants. The Staff is required to attain twenty-four hours of continuing education training annually in order to maintain their required New York State Certification. We strive to make the interaction with our Department as pleasant and professional as possible. To that end, we are available to assist people through the process and offer advice when needed.

Summary of Activity

Building Permits	222	Certificates of Compliance	967
Plumbing Permits	307	Architectural Design Review Board	88
Mechanical Permits	404	Planning Commission	11
Electrical Permits	486	Zoning Board of Appeals	127
Certificates of Occupancy	202	Approx. No. of Inspections	2,145

Recreation and Parks Department



Kevin E. Ocker
*Chairman, Board of Commissioners
of Recreational and Cultural Affairs*

This year, the Garden City Recreation and Parks Department continued to contribute to the quality of life in Garden City by following its mission of “Enhancing our Community with People, Parks and Programs”.

One of the unique qualities of our community was represented during the year through diverse recreation programs emphasizing “Heart Healthy Activities”. Over 400,000 visitors again participated in thousands of sports games and practices at our various facilities, while utilizing 100 acres of parkland as well as the indoor facilities in the winter months. The Department’s software system has eased the process for resident registrations, payments and invoices. Once residents register, they are given the option of making electronic credit card payments for programs and activities.

Now in its 57th year of operation, the Garden City Pool continues to offer a diverse summer program of activities. As a result, over 1,519 families, about 75 percent of resident families with children, joined the pool enjoying a most unique aquatics facility with special events, concerts, swim lessons and competitive swim teams, all included with membership. With over 75,000 visitors in the twelve-week season, the pool remained our community’s flagship recreational facility.

Other major recreational facilities such as the St. Paul’s Recreation Complex and Community Park again played major roles in meeting the needs of the community. Of special note is the continued success and vitality of the roller hockey program with 300 participants enjoying the new state-of-the-art roller rink, which opened in 2012.

The Department continued working with our local sports organizations maximizing the use of all of its athletic fields, the St. Paul’s Field House and Cluett Hall for thousands of local youths participating in intramural and travel soccer (1,900), baseball (1,400), basketball (1,172) and lacrosse (975). This past year, the Department provided support for two very special events, the Annual Turkey Trot Road Race and the Jay Gallagher Memorial Lacrosse Tournament. Both of these events have been successful in supporting various charities through the collaborative efforts of staff and volunteers. With summer sports camps again filled to capacity with resident sports enthusiasts, we continued expanding offerings to children with interests other than sports. Recreational camps in science, yoga, theatre, the environment and computers were all well attended. In an effort to reduce operational costs, several more summer camps were contracted out to the U.S. Sports Institute Inc., who provided multi-sport soccer and field hockey camps that were also filled to capacity.



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The Annual Turkey Trot is underway!

At the height of the summer, our neighborhood parks program was again very well attended by resident children in first through eighth grades participating in organized sporting activities, playground games, arts and crafts and special supervised day trips to Adventureland and Splish Splash Water Park.

Cultural opportunities in the form of the Summer Concert Series on the Village Green and dance instruction for adults and children, including classes in ballet, stretch, jazz and modern dance, were offered again this year. The Department’s 110 dance conservatory students performed with great enthusiasm to a packed house of family and friends

Recreation and Parks Department

during the “Eleventh Anniversary Student Showcase” at Adelphi University’s Olmsted Theatre. Great choreography by Recreation Staff, combined with the students’ hard work, resulted in a special evening for the art of dance.

The “Senior Advisory Committee” remained very active improving communication and service to the senior resident population and continued mailing a newsletter to all senior residents. Many members of the senior population took advantage of 10 different day trips, organized and supervised by the Department, as well as exercise, walking, yoga and zumba classes offered throughout the year. Over 175 seniors attended the “End of the Summer Picnic” and 135 attended the annual Mardi Gras Luncheon. Members of the Senior Advisory Committee continued to work with the Department and Trustee Liaisons on a plan for the expansion of the Senior Center on Golf Club Lane.

This year, the Department looks forward to delivering diverse recreational opportunities to our residents as we continue evaluating programs, increasing productivity and using our valuable resources wisely. Of special interest will be the revised plan for the expansion of the Senior Center Capital Project.

The Garden City Friends of the Arts, Parks and Recreation Inc., a 501c3 private charitable organization, continued as a private entity with the mission of sustaining community involvement and Village vitality by providing financial support for cultural and recreational programs, capital assistance for facility enhancements and sponsorship of innovative programs for adults, young adults and children.



Seniors enjoying the Annual End of Summer Picnic.

Garden City’s beautiful tree-lined streets and its urban forest were devastated as a result of Hurricane Sandy in 2012. This past year, Phase II of the Arbor Restoration Plan, as developed by Cornell University, was completed with the planting of an additional 240 replacement street trees bringing the Village tree inventory to 12,107. As part of the new Village Tree Management Plan, 26 new cultivars of trees have been introduced throughout the community offering interesting characteristics and increased biodiversity. Under the guidance of the Village’s Certified Arborist, the Village was again awarded the designation of “Tree City USA” by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation. This special designation is awarded to municipalities who have established tree management plans within their communities and have placed special importance on the education of youth with respect to the important role trees play in our environment.

In an effort to continue to obtain increased efficiencies, both divisions of the Recreation and Parks Department shared and scheduled the services of full-time Maintenance Staff to meet the demands of maintaining 200 acres of park and active recreational property on a weekly basis. Special horticultural services included the planting of over 30,000 spring flowering bulbs and 22,000 annual flowers. Horticultural staff will be working with the Village’s Beautification Committee to enhance our streetscapes throughout the Village with seasonal plantings, including the introduction of new hanging baskets and pedestal planters throughout the business district.

With the goal of responding to the results of the Community-Wide Recreation and Parks Needs Assessment, Department Staff has concentrated on increasing program opportunities for fitness adding exercise classes and toddler activities. Results of the questionnaire continue to be a tool to help guide the Department as we maximize the use of valuable resources.

Our Staff, together with the Members of the Board of Commissioners of Cultural and Recreational Affairs, will continue to work together to develop new programs, monitor the use of its facilities and remain fiscally responsible while at the same time recommend capital improvement projects as required to protect the Village’s investment in its recreation infrastructure and parkland.

A Tribute to Robert L. Schoelle, Jr



Following 42 years of dedicated service and professional leadership to the Incorporated Village of Garden City, with 34 of them as Village Administrator, Robert L. Schoelle, Jr., retired on March 31, 2014. During his tenure as Village Administrator, he served under eighteen Mayors, including our current Mayor, John J. Watras.

Mr. Schoelle oversaw and coordinated projects that have greatly benefited the quality of life in the Village for residents, businesses and visitors alike.

Some highlights include the Village's Master Plan; beautification of Garden City's three business districts, which created a pedestrian-friendly place for shopping and dining; designation of the "Garden City Village Green", home to numerous Village events including outdoor summer concerts and the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony; the Belmont Festival; purchase of the St. Paul's Campus and improvements made to the surrounding playing fields where thousands of children enjoy sporting events every year; and, most recently, renovation of the Garden City Pool.

His steadfast dedication to the Village was acknowledged in May 2014 at the Garden City Chamber of Commerce's Pineapple Ball where he received the President's Award, created in 2011 to recognize "above-and-beyond" volunteer spirit within the Garden City Community and beyond. He also served as this year's Memorial Day Parade Grand Marshal.

Mr. Schoelle's successor, Ralph V. Suozzi, assumed the role of Village Administrator on March 31, 2014 and is now responsible for leading and managing the daily operational activities of the Village.

Having served as Mayor of the City of Glen Cove for eight years, 2006-2013, Mr. Suozzi is no stranger to the inner workings of a municipality.

Poised to take on his new role, Mr. Suozzi stated, "I'm honored to begin this new chapter in public service, working under the direction of the Mayor and Board of Trustees for the benefit of the residents, businesses and visitors of the Village of Garden City."

Photos: A Year in Review

The following are some of the events that occurred in the Village this year: Garden City Athletic Association Opening Day Parade, Chamber of Commerce Vintage Car Easter Parade, Memorial Day Parade and Fair, Belmont Festival, Chamber of Commerce Fall Street Fair and High School Homecoming Day Parade, 9/11 Memorial Services, Veterans Day Services, Turkey Trot Road Race and the Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony.



[CLICK HERE](#) to view this year's Belmont Festival



Edward J. Palkot, a long-time Village resident, celebrated his 100th birthday on August 20, 2013. Mayor John J. Watras presented him with a Village Citation, on behalf of the Board of Trustees and Village residents, recognizing this milestone during a celebration held in his honor. Mr. Palkot moved to Garden City in 1939, married his wife, Anne, in 1942 and raised two sons and two daughters here.

Police Department



KENNETH O. JACKSON
Police Commissioner

The Garden City Police Department's mission is to provide the highest quality of police service available to the Village of Garden City. In this effort, we will be dynamic, constantly reevaluating and seeking improvement. We will be adaptable, ready to rise to meet any occasion. We will go forward with the confidence to lead while retaining the wisdom to be open to change. Through our efforts, we will endeavor to preserve life and property and to maintain the high quality of life that has become synonymous with the Village of Garden City.

The proactive approach to law enforcement has always been the policy of the Department. These proactive policies provide service and protection to our community while emphasizing omnipresence and preventative patrol. The Garden City Police Department believes that its policy of preventative patrol, along with a comprehensive traffic enforcement program, is responsible for deterring criminal and problematic activity within the Village boundaries.



Commissioner Jackson and Commander Frey salute Officer Pedone on receiving the 2013 Law and Order Award.

Staff Members have been assigned to attend regular meetings with outside agencies for the purpose of sharing and gathering intelligence. The Department's active involvement with the intelligence community has enabled the Department to access crime prevention and investigative technologies of other agencies, such as Red Light Cameras and License Plate Readers. This has led to the solving of numerous cases and the arrests of several subjects. The Department is actively pursuing funding opportunities for new technologies and equipment which will further enhance the Department's capabilities in this area.

In 2013, the Department migrated onto its new encrypted digital radio system. This system has proven to be a vast improvement from the Department's Legacy Radio System. The ability to communicate clearly and covertly is essential to the operation of law enforcement. This system has not only provided superior radio communications within the Department, but has also expanded our interoperable capabilities to enable the Department to communicate directly with other village, city, county, state and federal agencies as well as Adelphi University.



Technology continues to be a vital component of the day-to-day operations of the Police Department. The Department continues to improve the functionality of its record management system. All police vehicles now have computers with expanded capabilities, and they have full access to the Department's record management system. New technologies, such as handheld ticket writers, are being explored and are expected to be implemented in the near future.

The Traffic Enforcement Program remains a point of focus for the Department and is directly responsible for deterring criminal activity within the Village. In addition to routine traffic law enforcement, the Department regularly conducts truck safety inspections, aggressive driving operations and seat belt checkpoints throughout the Village. There were 10,470 traffic tickets issued in 2013.

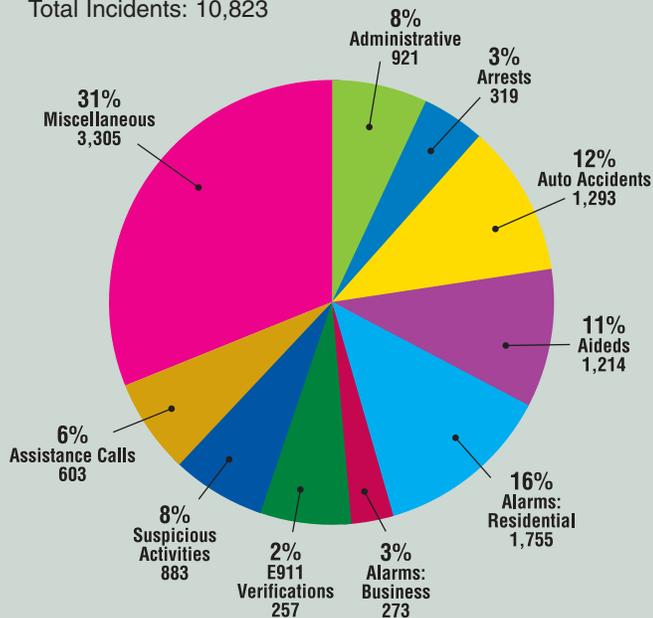
The enforcement of D.W.I. Laws continues to be a high priority; 68 intoxicated drivers were removed from Village roads this year. This is a 9% increase from 2012. As a result of this enforcement effort, there was a 22% reduction in alcohol-related auto accidents. These efforts have saved lives and prevented life-changing injuries.

One way in which the Department serves the Community is with its Child Passenger Safety Program. This program educates parents, grandparents or guardians in the proper installation and use of child restraints in vehicles to help ensure the safety of young passengers, and it continues to be a success. This past year, the Department assisted with the installation of 47 child restraints.

Police Department

Garden City Police Department Activity Analysis 2013

Total Incidents: 10,823



The Department realizes the importance of working closely with the Garden City School District and private schools within Garden City to address issues and provide for the safety of its students. As a result, programs and policies have been implemented that are designed to comply with the ever-changing S.A.V.E. (Safe Schools Against Violence in Education) Laws. Several members of the Department have received specialized training in the area of school safety.

Parking enforcement contributes to an image of omnipresence and a sense of order. In addition to the Police Officers on patrol issuing parking tickets, uniformed civilian Police Aides in conspicuously marked vehicles patrol the many crowded parking fields within the Village. The Department issued 14,621 parking tickets in 2013; eight vehicles were impounded for failing to answer parking tickets or pay fines.

Maintaining the quality of life of the residents is taken seriously, and one way in which the Police Department ensures this is by strict enforcement of the Village Code. In 2013, 93 appearance tickets were issued for violations of the Village Code.

In 2013, the Department documented 10,823 incidents ranging from disabled motorists to felony arrests. Officers responded to 1,214 calls to assist those in need of medical attention and 1,293 auto accidents with an additional 412 persons in need of medical attention.

Special Police

The Garden City Special Police, under the Police Commissioner's direction, is comprised of volunteers that assist the Garden City Police with community events, parades, concerts, street fairs, traffic details and in emergency situations such as severe weather events. Captain David Carpentier and Sergeant Thomas Imperatore received merit awards this past year for their assistance to the Police Department during Hurricane Sandy. The Special Police have proven to be a valuable asset to the Police Department and this community.

Volunteering as a Special Police Officer can be beneficial to persons considering a career in law enforcement; two volunteers have already become proud members of other police departments. Anyone 18 years or older can join.

The Special Police Organization is a great way for residents to help keep our community safe. Currently, a web-site is being created to give a detailed description of their role and functions. It will be located on the "HOME" page of the Village's web-site under the heading "Departments", Police.

For additional information, please contact Special Police Captain David Carpentier via email at dcarpentier@gardencityny.net or call (516) 742-9603.



Special Police Captain Carpentier, Commander Frey and Commissioner Jackson congratulate Special Police Member Terry Vafeas who was the Special Police Recipient of the 2013 Law and Order Award.

Fire Department



WILLIAM K. CASTORO
Chief of Department

The Garden City Fire Department is a unique Department within our Village government, in its rich heritage of public service by members of our own community. The rich heritage is rooted with the independent volunteer fire companies that began to form in the Village in 1899 after a devastating fire at the Garden City Hotel. Then, in 1920, in order to be more organized and bring these independent companies together, thirty-one local residents became “charter” members of the Garden City Fire Department, Inc., formally organizing the Volunteer Fire Department. Soon after, the Department was integrated into the Village government. Since 1920, over 450 resident men and women have proudly served in the ranks of the Volunteer Fire Service in Garden City.

Under the direction of Volunteer Fire Chief William K. Castoro and his three Volunteer Assistant Chiefs, the Department utilizes a three-tier approach to providing its vital services: with quality training and equipment, quick response and comprehensive fire inspection and prevention programs. All firefighters in the Department train weekly to ensure their readiness for the various emergencies that may present themselves including fires, motor vehicle accidents, carbon monoxide incidents, hazardous materials incidents, electrical emergencies, severe weather responses and more. In addition, throughout the year firefighters attend various courses and live fire burn training at the Nassau County Fire Service Academy. In support of response, the

Department has a fleet of apparatus that include four certified pumpers, two certified ladder trucks and a heavy rescue truck. Within the fleet of apparatus, the Department incorporates state-of-the-art technology including



Mayor Watras administering the Oaths of Office to Fire Chiefs Castoro, Nadolny, Gallo and Strysko.

thermal imaging cameras, hazardous gas monitoring equipment, mobile computers and hydraulic rescue equipment. The Department also provides a comprehensive fire inspection and prevention program to the Village. Program enhancements include computer database pre-plans of area occupancies, rigorous fire inspections of schools, businesses and multi-family dwellings and a devotion to public fire safety education through the Department’s Fire Prevention and Education Program. Each year, the Department educates thousands of students and residents through



Department Members at a residential training-site drill.

Fire Department

in-house safety classes, its annual Fire Prevention Week Program and fire safety lectures throughout the community including Adelphi University, area apartment buildings and local businesses.

The Department is always looking for new members and has a year-round open enrollment. Some regard being a volunteer firefighter as being one of the highest forms of community service. It is a great opportunity for residents to give back to their fellow neighbors in their time of need. Some of the benefits that come with being a volunteer firefighter include free tuition at Nassau Community College as sponsored by the County of Nassau, real estate property tax reductions, great camaraderie, lasting friendships and more. If a resident is interested in joining the Department, they may visit www.gcfndny.com.



Lieutenant Matthew R. Ostermann was the Fire Department Recipient of the 2013 Law and Order Award.



Two of the many Fire Prevention Day demonstrations held in October at Fire Headquarters.

Report of Alarms for 2013-2014

Fire Calls	998
Inspections	372
Mutual Aid	
Given	16
Received.....	27
Public Education	
Children	641
Adults	327

Public Works Department



ROBERT J. MANGAN
Director of Public Works

The Public Works Department manages the infrastructure system of Garden City. This includes such duties as maintaining the streets, removing leaves and clearing them of snow, maintenance of storm drains, the sanitary sewer system, garbage and rubbish collection, recycling, designing and installing traffic-control systems and maintaining the street lighting system. The Director of Public Works heads six divisions that provide these services.

Engineering Division

Each year, Engineering Personnel work on many projects. On some projects, such as the replacement of curbs and sidewalks, Engineering provides the plans and specifications and performs daily inspection of the actual construction. This Division provides plans and specifications for all water main projects. This Division also coordinates utility and road/sidewalk opening permits.

Traffic and Street Lighting

The Traffic and Street Lighting Division is responsible for the maintenance of more than 7,400 traffic signs in the Village. Each year during the spring, summer and fall months, Village Personnel repaint all of the painted crosswalks, stop lines, arrows and lane markings. This Division, in conjunction with a private contractor, maintains the Village's 2,284 street lights and underground wiring. The Street Lighting Crew is responsible for the lighting system, working in conjunction with our street lighting contractor and directional drilling contractor.

Street Division

The Street Division is primarily responsible for maintaining the Village's 74 miles of streets. The Street Division performs ongoing maintenance programs including street sweeping, catch basin cleaning, construction, repair and maintenance of storm drainage lines and road repairs.

During the fall, the Street Division joins forces with the Parks Division to remove 21,000 cubic yards of leaves. At the Village Yard, leaves are turned into mulch which is available cost free for use by residents and landscapers. This recycling of leaves saves the Village \$1,500,000 annually in disposal costs.



Members of the Street Division making a road and catch basin repair.

Public Works Department

Water and Sewer

The Village's water system has 104 miles of pipe and 10 wells. There are 5 tanks above ground with 5,000,000 gallons of water storage, 12 buildings housing the motors, auxiliary engines, pumps, treatment equipment and system controls, plus more than 1,000 fire hydrants.

In 2013-2014, the Water Department replaced 26 hydrants, repaired 17 water breaks and also replaced/repaired 18 water valves, while continuing its annual leak detection survey to locate and repair leaks in the system. There were 300 radio read meters installed.

The Sewer Division rodded and flushed 118 miles of sewer mains. The program of applying root inhibitors continued and 16,000 feet of sewer mains were treated. The Village supervised our contractor in conducting the video inspection of 10 miles of sewer mains.

Central Garage

The Central Garage plays a vital role in the delivery of essential municipal services. Mechanics in the Garage are responsible for the functioning of all Village vehicles. The equipment serviced by them ranges from lawn mowers and payloaders to large dump trucks.

Preventative maintenance is essential in operating a dependable trouble-free fleet. Last year, all vehicles were serviced according to a regular schedule, taking into account the vehicle type and operating conditions.

Sanitation and Recycling

The Sanitation Division collected 19,941 tons of household garbage and rubbish, as well as 1,295 tons of yard waste collected separately.

During the year, the Recycling Program collected 2,331 tons of bottles, cans and newspapers from commercial and residential locations. Recycling of bulk metal items increased as the Division picked up approximately 25 tons. The total weight of items recycled was 2,356 tons and represents a savings of \$167,653 in tipping fees. We also collected 43 tons of e-waste during the year.



Sanitation collection continues despite weather conditions.

DPW Capital Projects

The Capital Improvement Program is a well-structured plan that is integral to the upkeep of the Village's infrastructure and a means to enable the continuous improvement of services.

Equipment replacement is a major segment of the Capital Improvement Program. Items are purchased in scheduled periods during the year to ensure the performance and reliability of equipment when it is needed. Equipment purchased during the year was limited to a small dump truck, an asphalt roller and a sanitation truck.

2013-2014 Construction Projects:

- Continuing Road, Sidewalk and Curb Replacements
- Repair of the Old Incinerator Salt Storage Structure

Library



LISA PAULO
Library Director

In April 2014, the Garden City Public Library welcomed a new Director, Lisa Paulo. Ms. Paulo came from the Franklin Square Public Library where she was the Director and from the Great Neck Library where she was Head of Children's Services. The Library Board also welcomed new Trustees during the year. The Members of the Library Board of Trustees and their responsibilities are: J. Randolph Colahan, Chair, Auditing and Budget Committees from the Estates Section; Gloria Weinrich, Vice Chair, Community Relations and Policy Committees from the Western Section; Peter D'Antonio, Budget Committee, At Large; Charles J. Murphy, Building Committee from the Eastern Section; and Lola Nouryan, Personnel Committee from the Central Section.



*Board of Trustees, (left to right)
Top: Peter D'Antonio, Charles Murphy
Bottom: Lola Nouryan, J. Randolph Colahan,
Chair and Gloria Weinrich, Vice Chair*

Over the past year, the Library Board and the Village Board have made significant progress in working together to develop a consensus on the Library budget that benefits both the Library and the residents of the Village of Garden City. Under the mandate of Mayor John J. Watras, with specific efforts by Village Trustees Robert A. Bolebruch and Richard V. Silver as well as Village Auditor James E. Olivo and subsequently new Village Administrator Ralph V. Suozzi, the Village Board has worked closely with the Library Board, specifically with the Library Budget Committee comprised of Chairman J. Randolph Colahan and Trustee Peter D'Antonio and subsequently with Library Director Lisa Paulo, in taking significant steps to reach agreement and enhance the Library Budget. The results of this combined effort have benefited both the Library as well as the Garden City Community. This effort is continuing.



Students during Midterm Week.

During the past year, the Library celebrated the 40th Anniversary of the Library building with a special event chaired and coordinated by Board Chair J. Randolph Colahan and Vice Chair Gloria Weinrich and attended by the Library Board of Trustees, Staff, members of the community and dignitaries, including New York State Senator Kemp Hannon, Assemblyman Edward P. Ra and Mayor John J. Watras. The event highlighted the changes that have taken place in Library services over the past 40 years and emphasized the Library's commitment to continuing to meet the needs of the community today, tomorrow and for years to come.

The Library continues to offer an extensive collection of books, periodicals, music CDs, audiobooks, DVDs and electronic resources for residents of all ages. In response to the growing number of patrons downloading eBooks and audiobooks, the Adult Reference Department hosted programs and prepared instruction sheets to introduce residents to the latest electronic devices and to demonstrate how to checkout and download from the Nassau Digital Doorway. Last year, Garden City residents downloaded 10,592 eBook and audiobook titles from the Library.

Adult Reference Librarians Laura Flanagan and Ann Garnett introduced two new Reader's Advisory services to connect patrons with the latest fiction and nonfiction. The *Title Swap with the Librarians* series of programs and an email service, speakingofbooks@gardencitypl.org, offer residents the opportunity to ask for reading recommendations and

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discuss the books they are reading with the Librarians. Ten new *Book Club in a Bag* titles, with multiple copies of a title and discussion materials, were added to the collection for patrons who host their own books clubs. In addition, the improved *Library to Your Door* homebound service provided the 25 active homebound residents with personalized book selection, delivery and pickup of their books.



8th Annual Cozy Up with a Good Book Winter Reading Club.

helping the PTA provide library resource information by giving presentations to parents at PTA meetings. In addition, Mrs. Kelly worked throughout the year to cooperate with the schools on assignments and provide middle school students with textbooks to use as reference books for homework assistance. Over 251 parents and students attended the nine Young Adult programs for college bound students.

During the year, Children's Librarians Barbara Grace, Donna Furey and Laura Giunta hosted 200 storytimes for 2,779 children ranging in age from six months through first grade. There were 51 class visits to the Library by 1,034 children ranging from nursery school through third grade. Fourteen book discussions attended by 189 children were held for second through fifth



Children's Yoga Workshop.

graders. To promote the Library and the Summer Reading Program, the Librarians held 32 outreach events for over 1,606 children during the year. Popular children's author Gordon Korman visited the Library to discuss his bestselling series and talked with children about his writing process.

With community involvement a continual priority, the Library convened focus groups in March and April of 2014. Residents were invited to participate through their POAs and articles in the local papers. Library Board Vice Chair Gloria Weinrich chaired the focus groups with Trustee Lola Nouryan and Library Director Lisa Paulo. The meetings were attended by residents who were passionate about the Library, made positive suggestions about ways to improve services and looked forward to continuing to plan for the future of the Library in the 21st century.

Throughout the year, the Garden City Library offers residents of all ages a trusted place to access the information resources they need for a changing world.



"Library to Your Door" Homebound Service.

The 8th Annual Cozy Up with a Good Book Winter Reading Club continued to be the most popular adult program. Approximately 200 residents submitted more than 2,500 book reviews during the winter. Twenty-six merchants and community members contributed to the success of the concluding spring celebration.

Young Adult Librarian Marge Kelly received the NY State PTA Lifetime Membership Award from the Garden City PTA for her instrumental role in



Young Adult Compost Cake Workshop.



Nursery School Outreach Program.

Financial Overview



JAMES E. OLIVO
Village Auditor

The State of New York requires municipalities to prepare and adopt balanced budgets where applied surplus, anticipated revenue and taxes raised cover all expenses. Village Departments are required to submit five-year Capital Budget projections, as well as annual operating budget appropriation requests to the Village Administrator which the Board of Trustees review during the annual budget process.

As part of the Capital Budget review process, input is requested from the four Property Owners' Associations plus the Chamber of Commerce, and a tour is conducted of areas which are to be considered for Capital Projects. All requests are consolidated and presented to the Village Board for its examination. This process results in the development of a tentative budget which is then presented to the Property Owners' Associations, Chamber of Commerce and the media prior to the Public Hearing which is held at the Annual Organizational Meeting in April. The final step in the budget process is approval of the new budget by the Board of Trustees. Upon Board approval, the new budget is established and is in effect on June 1, the beginning of the Village's fiscal year.

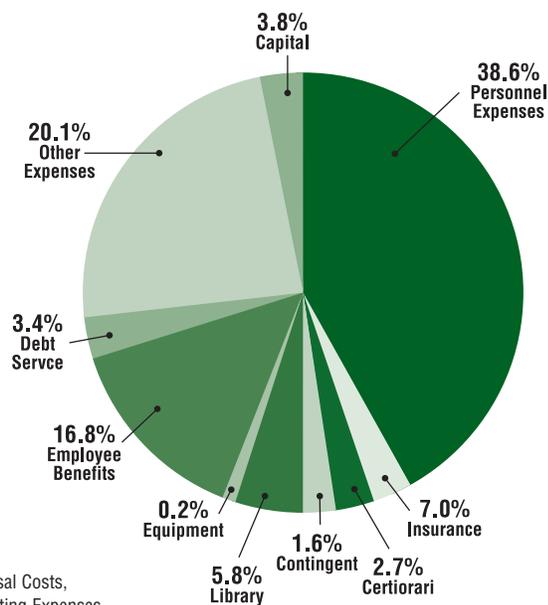
The following represents the results of operations for 2013-2014 and the Village Budget for 2014-2015.

Manner In Which Budgets Were Balanced

	2013-2014	2014-2015	DOLLAR DIFFERENCE
Current Surplus	\$ 0	\$ 388,372	\$ 388,372
Estimated Revenues	7,592,032	7,060,170	(531,862)
Tax Levy	46,551,130	48,147,710	1,596,580
Appropriated Reserve	265,194	194,771	(70,423)
Total	\$54,408,356	\$55,791,023	\$ 1,382,667

Budget Analysis By Group

2014-2015 Fiscal Year



*Other Expenses include Electricity, Supplies, Telephone, Equipments Maintenance, Disposal Costs, Consultant Fees and other Operating Expenses.

Additional Self-Sustaining Expense Budgets

The Village has created enterprise funds to operate three business-like operations. The Water Fund, Swimming Pool Fund and Tennis Fund all operate so that those residents who benefit from the services provided by these "businesses" pay for the operations, including capital improvements. There is no tax support for these operations, as user charges are the only source of revenue.

Enterprise Revenue

Swimming Pool	\$1,368,757
Indoor Tennis	\$ 471,841
Water Department	\$6,582,047

Budget Comparison

		2013-2014 BUDGET	2014-2015 BUDGET	
ADMINISTRATION	Board of Trustees	\$ 10,500	\$ 53,700	
	Village Justice	324,413	349,142	
	Clerk Treasurer	1,030,678	1,004,323	
	Purchasing	285,034	298,927	
	Assessment	52,681	51,766	
	Law	624,500	660,500	
	Personnel	138,679	143,778	
	Elections	2,780	2,775	
	Publicity	15,000	27,000	
	Historian	1,500	1,500	
	Central Data Processing	321,415	336,092	
	SUB TOTAL - ADMINISTRATION	\$ 2,807,180	\$ 2,929,503	
PUBLIC SAFETY	Police	9,225,502	9,378,069	
	Fire	3,815,122	3,743,680	
	Safety Inspection	687,963	648,209	
		SUB TOTAL - PUBLIC SAFETY	\$13,728,587	\$13,769,958
PUBLIC WORKS	Engineering	205,428	114,923	
	Building	382,414	305,186	
	St. Paul's Building	5,000	5,000	
	Central Garage	459,633	475,903	
	Streets	1,862,369	1,917,892	
	Snow Removal	388,214	425,311	
	Street Light & Traffic Control	814,972	853,325	
	Sanitary Sewers	255,986	226,810	
	Storm Sewers	149,784	149,467	
	Refuse and Garbage	3,422,507	3,411,419	
	Sanitation Recycling	307,750	327,622	
	Shade Trees	0	0	
		SUB TOTAL - PUBLIC WORKS	\$ 8,254,057	\$ 8,212,858
RECREATION	Parks	1,932,047	1,989,851	
	Playgrounds & Recreation Centers	2,634,024	2,773,876	
		SUB TOTAL - RECREATION	\$ 4,566,071	\$ 4,763,727
LIBRARY	Contribution to Library	\$ 3,117,335	\$ 3,217,000	
GENERAL	NYS Employees Retirement System	2,253,300	2,161,268	
	NYS Police & Fire Retirement System	2,935,117	2,795,971	
	Social Security	1,522,429	1,535,992	
	MTA Payroll Tax	75,000	75,000	
	Health & Dental Insurance	5,708,823	5,898,660	
	Capital Projects	1,108,200	2,110,665	
	Master Plan Update	0	0	
	Unallocated Insurance	3,531,074	3,931,074	
	Judgements and Claims	1,500,000	1,500,000	
	Contingent Account	1,092,200	912,396	
	Debt Service	1,797,502	1,870,451	
	Miscellaneous	215,500	106,500	
		SUB TOTAL - GENERAL	\$21,739,145	\$22,897,977
		TOTAL BUDGET	\$54,212,375	\$55,791,023

Balance Sheet as of May 31, 2014

	TOTAL	GENERAL FUND	CAPITAL FUND	LIBRARY FUND
ASSETS				
Cash:				
In Bank and On Hand	\$ 20,617,260	\$ 6,905,723	\$1,842,975	\$ 275,854
Time Certificates	2,506,182	2,506,182	0	0
Accounts Receivable	1,457,906	676,537	0	123
Materials and Supplies	1,124,988	903,421	0	0
Properties - Net	135,348,458	0	0	0
Due From Other Funds	35,906	0	0	0
Due From Other Governments	966,341	965,955	0	386
Total	\$162,057,041	\$11,957,818	\$1,842,975	\$ 276,363
Debt Service - Future Budgets	\$ 50,651,784	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$212,708,825</u>	<u>\$11,957,818</u>	<u>\$1,842,975</u>	<u>\$ 276,363</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE				
Liabilities:				
Accounts Payable:				
Operations	\$ 8,532,028	\$ 2,113,208	\$ 213,452	\$ 83,163
Retirement Systems Annual Cost	924,254	819,729	0	45,556
State Loan Payable	409,653	0	0	0
Bond Indebtedness	18,979,500	0	0	0
Due To Other Funds	35,906	35,906	0	0
Deferred Revenues	983,231	499,735	0	15,000
Other liabilities - OPEB	35,350,969	0	0	0
Compensated Absences	5,910,745	0	0	0
Other Liabilities Premium	29,266	0	0	0
Deposits on Hand	3,449,565	0	0	0
Bond Interest To Maturity	1,327,913	0	0	0
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 75,933,030	\$ 3,468,578	\$ 213,452	\$ 143,719
Fund Balance/Net Assets				
Nonspendable Fund Balance				
Inventory	\$ 903,421	\$ 903,421	\$ 0	\$ 0
Restricted Fund Balance				
Repairs	70,511	0	0	70,511
Unspent Bond Proceeds	0	0	0	0
Assigned Fund Balance Appropriated				
Appropriated 2014 - 2015 Budget	688,383	583,143	78,292	26,948
Encumbrances	2,159,135	585,090	1,551,231	22,814
CPLR Police Reserve	26,845	26,845	0	0
Assigned Fund Balance Unappropriated				
Compensated Absences	2,506,182	2,506,182	0	0
Unassigned Fund Balance	3,896,930	3,884,559	0	12,371
Net Assets:				
Investment in Capital Assets Net of Debt	7,228,848	0	0	0
Unrestricted Net Assets	119,295,540	0	0	0
Total Fund Balance/Net Assets	\$136,775,795	\$ 8,489,240	\$1,629,523	\$ 132,644
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY	<u>\$212,708,825</u>	<u>\$11,957,818</u>	<u>\$1,842,975</u>	<u>\$ 276,363</u>

Balance Sheet continued

WATER FUND	SWIMMING POOL ENTERPRISE FUND	TENNIS ENTERPRISE FUND	SPECIAL RESERVE FUND	TRUST & AGENCY FUND	CAPITAL DEBT FUND	FIXED ASSETS FUND
\$1,346,196	\$ 132,761	\$ 183,934	\$ 6,078,294	\$3,851,523	\$ 0	\$ 0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
773,007	3,030	50	0	5,159	0	0
221,567	0	0	0	0	0	0
15,495,761	2,031,570	74,146	0	0	0	117,746,981
0	0	0	35,906	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
\$17,836,531	\$2,167,361	\$ 258,130	\$ 6,114,200	\$3,856,682	\$ 0	\$117,746,981
\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$50,651,784	\$ 0
\$17,836,531	\$2,167,361	\$ 258,130	\$ 6,114,200	\$3,856,682	\$50,651,784	\$117,746,981
\$ 323,061	\$ 55,691	\$ 9,823	\$ 5,326,513	\$ 407,117	\$ 0	\$ 0
51,522	3,880	3,567	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	409,653	0
6,245,000	2,245,000	150,000	0	0	10,339,500	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7,327	414,193	46,976	0	0	0	0
2,176,727	167,391	95,200	0	0	32,911,651	0
199,339	16,543	15,975	0	0	5,678,888	0
0	29,266	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	3,449,565	0	0
14,930	0	891	0	0	1,312,092	0
\$9,017,906	\$2,931,964	\$ 322,432	\$ 5,326,513	\$3,856,682	\$50,651,784	\$ 0
\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8,057,753	-764,603	-64,302	0	0	0	0
760,872	0	0	787,687	0	0	117,746,981
\$8,818,625	(\$ 764,603)	(\$ 64,302)	\$ 787,687	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$117,746,981
\$17,836,531	\$2,167,361	\$ 258,130	\$ 6,114,200	\$3,856,682	\$50,651,784	\$117,746,981

Directory

Board of Trustees

John J. Watras (2002)
Mayor

Nicholas P. Episcopia (2005)
Deputy Mayor
Commissioner of Police Department

Dennis C. Donnelly (2009)
Commissioner of Fire Department

Brian C. Daughney (2010)
Commissioner of Public Works

John A. DeMaro (2011)
Liaison, Cultural and Recreational Affairs

Robert A. Bolebruch (2013)
Liaison, Library Board

Richard V. Silver (2013)
Commissioner of Finance

Theresa A. Trouvé (2014)
Commissioner of Building and Planning

Justice Court

Allen S. Mathers (1988)
Village Justice

Brian T. Deveney (1989)
Acting Village Justice

Merril S. Biscone (2000)
Acting Village Justice

Administration

Ralph V. Suozzi (2014)
Village Administrator

Brian S. Ridgway (2000)
Village Clerk/Deputy Village Administrator

Robert J. Mangan (1991)
Director of Public Works

Kenneth O. Jackson (1985)
Police Commissioner

James E. Olivo (1977)
Village Auditor

Michael D. Filippin (1979)
Superintendent of Building

Kevin E. Ocker (2003)
Chairman, Board of Commissioners of Cultural and Recreational Affairs

Lisa Paulo (2014)
Library Director



One of several informational kiosks located throughout the Village's Business District.

Village Counsel

Peter A. Bee (2014)
Bee Ready Fishbein Hatter & Donovan, LLP

Terry O'Neil (2014)
Bond, Schoeneck & King, PLLC

Volunteer Fire Department

Chiefs:

William K. Castoro, *Chief* (1994)
Joseph R. Nadolny, *1st Assistant Chief* (1995)
Brian G. Gallo, *2nd Assistant Chief* (1991)
Thomas Strysko, *3rd Assistant Chief* (2005)

Line Officers:

Matthew F. Pearn, *Captain, Engine Co.* (2009)
Matthew R. Ostermann, *1st Lieutenant, Engine Co.* (2009)
Joseph W. Ewashkow, *2nd Lieutenant, Engine Co.* (2010)
Joseph M. Scalise, *Captain, Truck Co.* (2009)
Robert V. Horvath, *1st Lieutenant, Truck Co.* (2006)
Devyn F. Moody, *2nd Lieutenant, Truck Co.* (2010)

Corporate Officers:

Edward S. Moran, *Secretary* (1980)
James R. Taunton, *Assistant Secretary* (2012)
Gerard F. Whalen, *Treasurer* (2002)
Robert F. Kalb, *Assistant Treasurer* (1987)

Special Police

David B. Carpentier, *Captain* (1994)
John Koch, *Lieutenant* (2004)
Thomas Imperatore, *Sergeant* (2011)

*Note: () Date entered into Village service

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Robert Rymers
Corresponding Secretary

Sal Norberto
Treasurer

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Judy Courtney
John Delany
Jaime Gans
Thomas Hogan
Mark Hyer
John Lattuca
Walter McKenna
Tom Nappi
Brian Noonan
Neil O'Malley
Leo Stimmler
Matthew Teri



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Incorporated Village of Garden City
★ KEY PHONE NUMBERS ★

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

- POLICE Emergency911 Non-Emergency..... 465-4100
- FIRE Emergency746-2800 Non-Emergency..... 746-1301
- POISON CONTROL..... 1-800-222-1222

VILLAGE HALL

- Business Office:
 - Main Office 465-4000
 - Village-Related Tax Questions..... 465-4156
 - (Town and School Tax Questions..... 489-5000)*
 - Water Billing Questions 465-4160
- Departments:
 - Administrator/Mayor 465-4051
 - Building 465-4040
 - Justice Court 465-4080
 - Public Works 465-4003
 - Recreation and Parks (Monday-Friday) 465-4075
 - Water and Sewer 465-4020
- Library 742-8405
- Municipal Service Yard 465-4031
- Pool (Seasonal) 483-1714

OTHER PHONE NUMBERS OF INTEREST

- Garden City Chamber of Commerce 746-7724
- Garden City School District 478-1000
- Nassau County:
 - Department of Health..... 227-9697
 - Government Offices 571-3000
- Town of Hempstead 489-5000