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THE MAYOR'S UPDATE

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SEVENTH STREET CROSSWALK RFP

The Village is currently seeking proposals to provide professional engineering services related to improvements to the 7th Street Crossing located approximately 300 feet west of Franklin Avenue. A Request For Proposals (RFP) was issued December 12. The Village aims to receive a full set of construction plans and specifications for the purpose of bidding the construction of the selected improvement for the identified crosswalk. The goal is to make the crosswalk more visible and provide drivers with more notice as they approach the crosswalk.

NEW POLICE OFFICER

I had the pleasure of administering the oath of office to new Police Officer Rodolfo Sulmonte, who is currently assigned to the Nassau County Police Academy. Officer Sulmonte was born in Queens and grew up in Levittown. He attended St. Mary's High School and graduated from Island Trees High School in 2010. After high school, he played professional hockey in the Ontario Hockey League and participated in the Islanders Rookie Camp in 2010. After five years in professional hockey, he attended and graduated Nassau Community College. While there, he also began coaching Tier 1 U16 and U18 hockey for the PAL Junior Islanders. He held this position for six years while pursuing a career in law enforcement.

COUNTRY LIFE PRESS TRAIN STATION

A meeting was held Monday evening with residents who live in the vicinity of the Country Life Press train station following the MTA/LIRR's announced plans to abate and demolish the existing Country Life Press Train Station building. In its place will be a new plaza and potentially a shelter that will include plantings that the LIRR would install, and that the Village would maintain. The scope of work also includes but is not limited to items such as evaluating and addressing ADA code compliance, repairing other structural features such as platform joints, ramps, railings, lighting, benches and bike racks. It is important to note that the MTA/LIRR is covering 100 percent of the cost of demolition and any replacement structure/plaza and associated plantings. The MTA/LIRR is planning to move ahead with this project shortly but has given the Village until mid-December to consider entering into this agreement. At the same time, some residents have proposed the Village forgo this offer and take on the full cost of abatement and maintenance of the structure.

GARDEN CITY POOL IS HIRING

The Garden City Pool is starting to hire for the 2023 summer season. Positions include staff, lifeguard and working the pump house. Keeping the pools clean and safe. If interested please call the Recreation Office at 516-465-4075 to set up an interview.

CORROSION CONTROL STUDY

According to H2M, the Village's water consultant, 585 samples have been requested by residents; 581 sample kits have been delivered. H2M has also collected/returned 491 bottles. Pace Analytical completed 474 sample analyses and transmitted results to residents. Orthophosphate is being injected into the water system. The District is taking entry point and distribution sampling to monitor orthophosphate treatment.

LIBRARY BOARD APPOINTMENTS

On December 12, at the Garden City Public Library Board of Trustees meeting, Chairman J. Randolph Colahan was re-elected to his position for the 2023 calendar year. Trustee Germaine Greco was unanimously elected to the position of Vice Chairperson for the 2023 calendar year. All Library Board members were elected chair(s) of the following committees for the 2023 calendar year:

- Budget Committee – Trustee Peter D'Antonio
- Audit Committee – Trustees Colahan and Peter D'Antonio
- Building Committee – Trustee Mary Maguire
- Community Relations Committee – Trustee Greco
- Personnel Committee – Trustee Lola Nouryan
- Policy Committee – Trustee Greco

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Please be advised there will be one scheduled Board of Trustees meeting in January, to be held on Thursday, January 12, 2023. Special meetings can be called at the discretion of the Board.