

May 17, 2023

As the weather gets warm and flowers bloom around the Village, many are noticing a growing unity within our community as residents from across the Village come together to rally against a Mega Casino at the Nassau Hub. One thing that is notable about the grassroots organization is that it is led by residents who found themselves on different sides of a contentious election less than two months ago. The rapidly growing group is a great example of residents passionate about our wonderful community and coming together to oppose a project that they know would do so much damage. On Sunday, residents will be gathering on the steps of the Nassau County Legislature Building (Franklin Avenue and Old Country Road) to voice their opposition, joined by Mayors, Trustees and leaders of organizations from Garden City and surrounding communities. The County Legislature is scheduled to vote on Monday, May 22 on the lease transfer that would allow LV Sands to move forward. This will be the final opportunity to voice opposition before the County Legislature is entrusted with this important decision.

### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES IN THE VILLAGE**

Residents are reminded of the different Boards and Commissions highlighted in the April 26, 2023 Mayor's Column and encouraged to reach out by emailing [volunteer@gardencityny.net](mailto:volunteer@gardencityny.net) within the next week if you are interested in volunteering on any of these Boards and Commissions. I am looking to make appointments for the open positions at the next Board of Trustees meeting. Please include your relevant experience and how you feel you would contribute to the goals of a particular Board or Commission. As interest is expressed by residents, additional opportunities will likely arise, and the email will be monitored to fill future vacancies and to help determine any new areas of interest throughout the year.

### **NASSAU BLVD BRICK WALL**

Cornerstone will provide a sample for the bluestone capping for the piers this week. When the samples are approved, the bluestone capping will be installed on the wall piers on Friday, May 19. Cornerstone will also install the resin coating and perform a final cleaning of the walls.

### **CORROSION CONTROL STUDY**

According to H2M, the Village's water consultant, as of May 12, 688 samples have been requested by residents; 678 sample kits have been delivered. H2M has also collected/returned 557 bottles. Pace Analytical completed 545 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. H2M is performing sampling on 30 residences to evaluate orthophosphate treatment. Residents are reminded that free lead testing is still being provided by the Village, and all residents are encouraged to get their water tested for lead and take steps to determine if they have a lead service line connecting their home to the Village water main. Residents who have a lead service line are reminded that all Village permit fees for service line replacements continue to be waived until May of 2024.

### **COMMUNITY GARDEN IS OPEN**

Recreation and Parks' Community Garden is officially open for planting this year. Residents wishing to obtain a plot should call 465-4075. Participants are responsible for the needs of their plot, including planting, weeding and harvesting. Space is limited and will be given out on a first come, first served basis. The garden is located at St. Paul's, adjacent to the Recreation Office.

### **COMMUNITY PARK MINI GOLF**

The Board rejected the \$195,000 bid of Pratt Brothers, Inc., as it did not meet specifications for the Community Park miniature golf course rehabilitation project. Trustees are expected to award the bid to Lomma Championship Miniature Golf Courses, of Scranton, Pa, the low bidder, at a cost of \$82,680. The

budgeted amount for this project was estimated at \$65,000, however, there are adequate funds in the Recreation Capital Budget. Recreation Commissioner Paul Blake is hoping the course will re-open this summer.

**HAPPENING THIS WEEK IN GARDEN CITY**

- **SUNDAY, MAY 21** 11:00 a.m. [plants and pottery sale](#) on the Garden City Historical Society lawn, 109 Ninth Street
- **MONDAY, MAY 22** 1:30 p.m. [Monday Movie Matinée](#) *Elvis* at the Garden City Public Library
- **TUESDAY-THURSDAY, MAY 23-26** 10:00 a.m. [Senior Exercise with Felicia](#) at the Garden City Senior Center. Call 516-385-8006 for schedule
- **TUESDAY-FRIDAY MAY 23-26** [Pickleball](#) hours (Tuesday through Friday 9:30 a.m. to Noon; Thursdays 3 to 5:30 p.m.; and Fridays 5 to 8:30 p.m.) at the Field House
- **TUESDAY, MAY 23** 6:30 p.m. Architectural Design Review Board Meeting at Village Hall
- **WEDNESDAY, MAY 24** 6:30 p.m. Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month celebration at the Garden City Public Library
- **WEDNESDAY, MAY 24** 7:30 p.m. [Meet and Greet](#) at the Senior Center on Golf Club Lane
- **SATURDAY, MAY 27** 11:30 a.m. Long Island Chapter 42nd Division Association Memorial Day wreath placement at the 42nd Division Monument, Clinton Road and St. James Street South
- **MONDAY, MAY 29** 10:00 a.m. William Bradford Turner Post, No. 265 Memorial Day Parade (route: Cherry Valley Avenue, between Stewart Avenue and 10th Street, then march east on 10th Street to southbound Franklin Avenue, then west to 7th Street)