



# VILLAGE OF OLD WESTBURY

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## A MESSAGE FROM YOUR MAYOR AND TRUSTEES

The past several months have been especially busy for the Village Board. Some of these recent developments have been highlighted in this newsletter.

Of particular importance is the Village's new website. Please take a few moments to read about its new features, designed to help make Village government and its services as accessible as possible for our residents. **Please use the website to sign up for emergency alerts and newsletters.**

Please join us for our first Old Westbury Village Residents Twilight Picnic on July 28th from 6:30 to 9:30p.m. Share a glorious summer evening with neighbors and entertainment at our community treasure, Old Westbury Gardens.

Your Mayor and Trustees,



*Fred Carillo*  
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Mayor

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Deputy Mayor  
Government Liaison

*Dr. Cory Baker*  
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Police Commissioner

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Public Works

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Budget Officer



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## A MESSAGE FROM BUDGET DIRECTOR/TRUSTEE ED NOVICK

### VILLAGE ADOPTS 2016/17 BUDGET WITH 0% INCREASE

Every resident should be pleased to know our Village is fiscally sound. Trustee Edward Novick, the Village Budget Officer, has completed our 2016/17 budget with a zero tax revenue increase. Whereas the State of New York targets annual municipal tax revenue increases at a 2% cap, we have achieved a 0% increase for this year.

Operating within this budget, the Village is fully prepared to move forward into the coming year with all its services, as well as the support those service departments need to meet their requirements. Thus, our Police Department and our Highway and Public Works Departments are not only fully funded, but they are on schedule to replace the vehicles and equipment necessary to perform at their very best. Moreover, we are fully prepared to execute our road improvement and paving program directly from our capital funds, all within this budget without bonding.

Our Water Department budget is also fully balanced and capable of handling all our current operational requirements. Water is a significant resource to the Village and will require an extensive Capital Improvement Program to take the Village into the immediate future and beyond. This Program will begin with the construction of a new well to add to our Village's capacity. This Program will require bonding. Our current budget is once again prepared for this and properly considers debt and interest charges into its model so the Village can stay on track with the growth of this essential service.

## YOUR GUIDE TO VILLAGE GOVERNMENT

### TRUSTEE APPOINTMENTS ANNOUNCED



Mayor Fred Carillo recently announced that Trustee Leslie Fastenberg has been appointed Deputy Mayor, while Trustee Cory Baker, M.D. has been appointed to succeed him as Police Commissioner. Previously, the Mayor had announced the appointments of Trustee Marina Chimerine as Commissioner of Public Works, and Ed Novick as Budget Director. In making the new appointments, Mayor Carillo said, "I welcome the dedication of our new trustees and look forward to continuing to work with them in their new roles."

Pictured to the left is Police Chief Robert Glaser with Village Trustee Dr. Cory Baker. Trustee Baker was recently named to the oversight position of Police Commissioner by Mayor Carillo.

### PSEG BEGINS VEGETATION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Under the prudent, hands-on management of Trustee and Commissioner of Public Works Marina Chimerine, the Village has worked with PSEG and its arborist to mark out those trees that had become a danger to the Village residents, visitors who use our roads, and our electrical system.

The result is that PSEG is in the process of removing these hazards from our roads. More importantly, they are nearing completion which will allow us to begin our revitalization and beautification program. All work done by PSEG, including stump grinding, is at the sole expense of PSEG. This effort has saved the Village and our residents in excess of \$100,000, which is a credit to our Commissioner of Public Works.

We will soon receive recommendations from our Beautification Committee to present to the Board of Trustees the appropriate plantings to replace the removed trees. We anticipate new plantings to commence on or before Spring 2017.

The Village has always maintained an ongoing tree program. However, the flourishing of some of these trees had been hindered by the deleterious effect of the trees currently being removed by PSEG. We continue to strive to preserve the beautiful aesthetics of our Village.

### VILLAGE BOARD APPROVES CONSTRUCTION FOR NYIT

After an extensive review, the Board of Trustees unanimously voted on April 18th to approve the construction of seven new buildings, including residential dormitories, on the New York Institute of Technology's (NYIT) campus. The dorms will provide approximately 699 beds for students and help create a better campus atmosphere.

NYIT agreed with the Village to preserve trees, provide new landscaping, and mitigate traffic impacts. As part of the approval, the college will pay Old Westbury \$855,000 for the improvements to the Village water system, including a new well. The Village also agreed to a 20-year payment-in-lieu-of-taxes (PILOT) plan in which NYIT would pay the Village \$360,400 a year, with annual increases.

The payments will have a significant positive impact on our ongoing capital improvement projects and Village taxes.

### HELP US ADDRESS AVIATION NOISE



Village residents have become increasingly concerned about the rise in aviation noise. To address this issue, Mayor Carillo has joined with the Village of East Hills in requesting assistance from New York State Senator Jack Martins, Nassau County Executive Edward Mangano and North Hempstead Town Supervisor Judi

Bosworth with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). However, it is essential that officials understand the impact aviation noise is having on our quality of life. File a complaint on the Village's website under Report A Problem and click on Noise Complaint.

### MULTIYEAR ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM ANNOUNCED

As part of this year's budget, the Board of Trustees recently authorized a \$1.6 million expenditure to repair roads that are in most need of repair. This multiyear project will not require bonding and will be driven out of capital improvement funds established in the budget.

Based on our first phase of engineering review, we will be improving drainage, curbing and repaving the following Village roads from July to November: August Lane, Dowling Court, Horseshoe Road (from Stone Arch to the dead end), Pheasant Run, St. Andrew's Court, Terrace Court and Trusdale Drive. The roads were chosen after a new, thorough evaluation by Bowne AET Group, the Village engineer, to categorize the state of each road.

Next year, the Village will continue to address the list of the neediest roads. At the same time, the Highway Department will continue to repair spot issues on the roads that need immediate tending. The money for the project came from tax revenues, so no bonds or loans were taken out to perform this work and Village taxes were not raised to fund it.

### ZONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE WORK CONCLUDED

The Old Westbury Mayor and Board of Trustees formed the Zoning Advisory Committee late last year to review the zoning and process issues that affect building in the Village. Edward Novick was named Committee Chair. He was joined by Edward Kalikow, Andrew Weinberg, Mike Khorrami, Sheryl Setzen, Robert Lemle and Jonathan Miller. The committee of seven, which was comprised of residents and members of the Planning Board, Architectural Review Board and Board of Zoning Appeals, deliberated on both code and process to reflect current homeowner needs and to streamline building in the Village.

The Zoning Advisory Committee's final recommendations were presented to the Mayor and Board of Trustees on May 2nd. These recommendations are currently being drafted into code for adoption as new zoning laws, with respective changes to the permitting process. The final result will be an increase to the permitted volume capacity of residences and lot coverage of current and future lots in the Village, while simultaneously streamlining the building permitting process. This achievement will increase building activity and create a significantly positive impact to property values.



FIRST OLD WESTBURY RESIDENTS TWILIGHT PICNIC  
HOSTED BY THE OLD WESTBURY BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE  
OLD WESTBURY GARDENS  
THURSDAY, JULY 28TH · 6:30 P.M. - 9:30 P.M.

## OLD WESTBURY'S DRINKING WATER NAMED "BEST-TASTING" FOR THIRD YEAR IN A ROW

For the third straight year, the Village of Old Westbury was honored for having the "Best-Tasting Water in Nassau County" as voted by hundreds of Long Islanders during the Long Island Water Conference, which was held April 28th at Farmingdale State College.

Residents were asked to take part in a blind taste-test of tap water from more than two dozen water providers from Nassau and Suffolk Counties. They tasted each water sample before naming Old Westbury Village the winner.

The Village Board and our water district are committed to providing the best water supply to our community and we are proud Long Island residents continue to be pleased with our service.

As part of this commitment, the Village is moving ahead with bidding out the first phase of improvements to our water system infrastructure, including the construction of a new well to be added by next year. Our system expansion will continue beyond the addition of the new well, as we work to upgrade the water distribution system necessary for the Village's future water needs. The infrastructure improvements will be funded through the issuance of Village bonds and will be absorbed without additional burden to taxpayers through water fees, building fees and targeting expanded system use.

## VILLAGE FORMS NEW BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

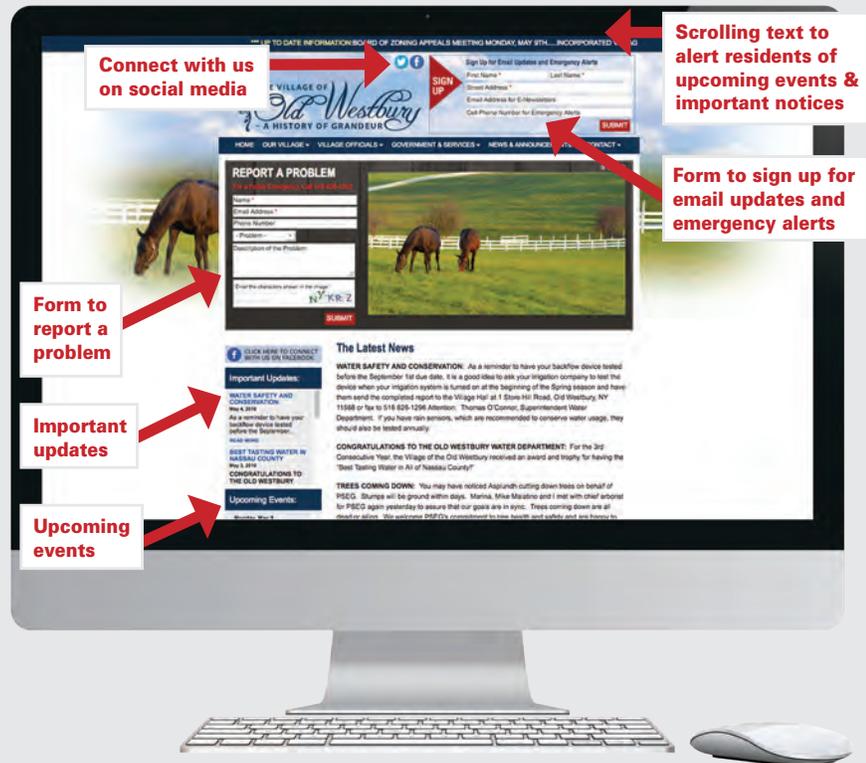
On March 21st, the Old Westbury Board of Trustees created a Beautification Committee, which will address issues surrounding the beauty of the Village. Steve Nussdorf has been named committee chairman; he will be joined by fellow committee members Carolyn Turk, Beth Ostrow and George Woodard.

This committee has been charged with the task of making recommendations to the Board of Trustees on these and other areas they deem central to the beautification of the Village. By selecting these members who have a keen sense in these matters, Village officials are tapping into the wealth of knowledge that exists within the Village and involving more people in the process.

With the creation of the Beautification Committee, the Village is fulfilling another promise to its residents to review and improve its communal spaces and review the enforcement of codes already in existence that may be overlooked. The Board of Trustees wishes the committee good luck in their deliberations and looks forward to their recommendations.

## OLD WESTBURY VILLAGE RELAUNCHES WEBSITE WITH NEW FEATURES

RESIDENTS ARE URGED TO SIGN UP FOR EMAIL NEWSLETTERS AND EMERGENCY ALERTS AT [VILLAGEOFOLDWESTBURY.ORG](http://VILLAGEOFOLDWESTBURY.ORG)



The Village recently relaunched its website ([www.villageofoldwestbury.org](http://www.villageofoldwestbury.org)) with a redesigned layout that provides its residents easier access to important information and Village officials.

**The top of the website provides an online form that urges residents to sign up for emergency notifications, if they haven't already done so. By registering, they will receive the most up-to-date information via text messages, phone calls and emails.**

The top of the website features a scroll function that alerts residents of upcoming events and important notices. On the left side of the site, visitors can receive the most up-to-date information going on in the Village and learn about upcoming events. The website also has a second online form on its home page that allows residents to report a problem or file a complaint.

To find out what will take place at the next board meeting, visitors can download an agenda as well as a schedule of upcoming board meetings from the News & Announcements page. Minutes from previous board meetings are also available online to view. From that page, residents can see legal notices and back issues of the newsletter. In addition, visitors can click on the Budget page to view the Village's general and water budgets.

Also included is a photo gallery showing a scenic montage of the Village. There is also an enhanced Contact page listing email addresses of elected officials and village staff, so residents can be in touch with them online.

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## YOUR GUIDE TO VILLAGE GOVERNMENT

### VILLAGE POLICE

**Robert Glaser**, Chief

The Village Police Department is responsible for maintaining a safe environment for residents to enjoy quality of life through the enforcement of all state, county and local laws within the Village. Phone number is 516-626-0200.

### VILLAGE COURT

**Edward B. Joachim**, Village Justice  
**Rita Fishman Sheena**, Acting Village Justice  
**Maureen Dougherty**, Prosecuting Attorney  
**Ralph Branciforte**, Alternate Prosecuting Attorney  
**John Christopher**, Alternate Prosecuting Attorney  
**Adam Koblenz**, Alternate Prosecuting Attorney  
**Mary Ann Mastromarino**, Court Clerk  
**Leah Leston**, Assistant Court Clerk

The Village Court is responsible for handling judicial proceedings concerning traffic violations that occur within the Village, along with violations of local ordinances.

### WATER DEPARTMENT

**Thomas O'Connor**, Superintendent

The Water Department is responsible for providing safe drinking water to Village residents through quality monitoring and maintenance of the Village's water infrastructure, including six wells and storage tanks.

### BUILDING AND HIGHWAY DEPARTMENTS

**Michael Malatino**, Superintendent of Buildings and Public Works  
**Gina Furci**, Assistant to Superintendent

The Building Department is responsible for handling applications for construction within the Village, issuing building permits and Certificates of Occupancy, and enforcing the Village's building code.

The Highway Department is responsible for maintaining safe and clean roadways throughout the Village through regular road and sign maintenance and repairs. The Department also maintains roadway landscapes.

### VILLAGE BOARD MEETINGS

In the event of a holiday, meetings will be rescheduled for the following day.

#### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Meets the third Monday of every month at 7:00pm at Village Hall

The Mayor and Trustees comprise the Village's Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees is the Village's governing and legislative body. The Board of Trustees also handles certain applications for special permits for commercial and institutional uses, and adopts the Village's zoning laws.

#### PLANNING BOARD

Meets the first Monday of every month at 8:00pm at Village Hall

The Village of Old Westbury Planning Board is responsible for the overall pattern of development throughout the Village. The Planning Board is charged with ensuring that future land use, development and construction activities within the Village will have a harmonious relationship with the surrounding neighborhoods, and to otherwise promote the health, safety, general welfare, comfort and convenience of the Village and its residents. The Planning Board conducts public hearings to review site plans for new homes and certain additions and alterations of existing homes within the Village. The Planning Board also provides recommendations to the Board of Trustees with respect to the development of institutional and commercial uses within the Village, and considers applications for subdivision approval.

#### BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

Meets the second Monday of every month at 7:30pm at Village Hall

The Village Board of Zoning Appeals is a quasi-judicial body that considers variance applications for relief from the Village's zoning laws. The Board of Zoning Appeals is charged by New York State statute to weigh the benefit of a proposed variance against any detriments to the community at large, based upon specific criteria as set forth in New York State Law.

#### ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

Meets the third Thursday of every month at 9:00am at Village Hall

The Architectural Review Board, or ARB, is charged with the preservation and promotion of the character, appearances and aesthetics of the Village and the conservation of property values of the Village by providing procedures for architectural review of the exterior of new construction and certain additions and alterations. The ARB reviews the types of materials to be used for construction, the colors proposed and the proposed landscape screening to ensure appropriate development within the Village.

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#### Village Office Hours:

Monday-Friday  
9:00 am - 4:30 pm

**Mayor:**  
**Fred J. Carillo**

#### Village Trustees:

**Cory Baker**  
*Police Commissioner*

**Marina Chimerine**  
*Commissioner of  
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**Leslie Fastenberg**  
*Deputy Mayor,  
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**Edward Novick**  
*Budget Officer*

#### Administration:

**Kenneth J. Callahan**  
*Village Administrator*

**Kathleen M. Sullivan**  
*Deputy Clerk/Treasurer*

**Louise Abbondola**  
*Secretary to the Board of  
Trustees*



You can find all of  
the Village forms at:  
[villageofoldwestbury.org/forms-downloads](http://villageofoldwestbury.org/forms-downloads)

### VILLAGE ELECTIONS

**This year's Village elections will be held:  
June 21st • Noon to 9 p.m. • Village Hall**



To register to vote, be sure to register with the Nassau County Board of Elections by June 10th. To file an absentee ballot, apply with the Village clerk by June 14th. All absentee ballots are due by June 21st. The positions of mayor and two trustees are on the ballot.