

This evening we come together to honor and thank Thomas J. Tweedy for his 16 years of service to the residents of Floral Park as an elected official. Tom is a lifelong resident of the village. He is a graduate of Our Lady of Victory School, Xavier High School and Boston College. He and his wife MaryAnn have resided in the West End for over 35 years. They are very proud of their two adult children, Michael and Caitlin. Tom is a principal of Edwin S. Tweedy, Inc. a general construction-construction management corporation.

Tom's service to his fellow residents was evident before being on the Board of Trustees and will continue on. He is a 35-year member and past president of the West End Civic Association, member of Knights of Columbus, lector at Our Lady of Victory, past president of the Lexington School of the Deaf PTSA, past chairman of the Citizens Party and for 12 years as a member of IAABO Board 41, the interscholastic basketball referee association.

Prior to his appointment by Mayor Ann Corbett as trustee in 2001, Tom was very active in the community having served the village as a member of the Architectural Review Board and the Recreation Committee. He also served as director, officer, and coach of the Floral Park Little League and the Floral Park Indians.

Tom's strong commitment to Floral Park and goal while serving as Trustee and subsequently as Mayor was always to maintain, improve and expand the rich quality of life that the residents of Floral Park have enjoyed for over 100 years

Some of the highlights of Tom's terms were:

- Working with various organizations to build the lasting 9/11 Memorial to beloved neighbors and friends in front of Village Hall
- Effectively and efficiently managing the Village through two major hurricanes (Irene and Sandy) and the recovery thereafter
- Led the fight against and subsequent defeat of two separate proposals for casinos at Belmont Park
- Built coalitions to defeat the first proposal for the LIRR Third Track along the mainline while initiating and leading the fight against the second reiteration of the proposal
- Improve and advocate for drainage improvements throughout the Village
- Designing and seeing through the full reconstruction of the Floral Park pool which was completed on time and on budget

And many others that we will share this evening

Leadership, commitment, integrity and advocacy are some of the qualities that helped Tom serve our residents so well for the past 16 years.

Thank you from all of us for your time, sacrifices and service!!

For an in depth "Look Back" interview with Tom covering his term see

The Floral Park Mayor's Report on Four Village Studio's website at

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