

Fire Department

Trustee Fitzgerald reported that the Fire Department had a busy December and, in fact, a busy year. During the month of December, the Fire Department responded to 87 EMS calls and 5 building fires, one of which was significant. Trustee Fitzgerald thanked all the members who came out that night. It was a tremendous job.

For the year, the Fire Department responded to a total of 1,510 calls, which is an average of 4 to 4 ½ calls a day. This all-volunteer department comes out to serve the residents of our Village day and night and Trustee Fitzgerald thanked them for all their efforts and for the time they spend away from their families.

Recreation Center

Trustee Longobardi reported that the Recreation Center is quiet during this time of year.

On behalf of his family, Trustee Longobardi wished everyone a Happy New Year filled with health and prosperity.

Building Department

Trustee Pombonyo wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Trustee Pombonyo expressed appreciation to Building Superintendent Stephen Siwinski and his Department for their recent, significant progress with the homeowners and banks regarding several homes and properties that were not in compliance with Village Code and/or were not being maintained properly. In these instances, improvements that were made included the removal of debris and broken structures, the replacement of deteriorating windows, siding and roofing, and regular lawn care. Both the Building Department and the Architectural Review Board (ARB) are working to insure that the quality and character of our homes and neighborhoods continue to make Floral Park a great place to live, work and raise a family. Keeping this important vision in mind, the Village and the ARB will continue to collaborate on Village Code updates, follow up on new zombie house legislation and closely scrutinize applications for home and business construction and renovations.

Floral Park Public Library

Trustee Pombonyo reported that our Library is pleased to announce the introduction of Web Print services, now available from mobile devices in the Library or any internet connection. User-friendly registration is the first step, after which our Library patrons may email or upload documents to the Web Print system, then execute the print jobs at one of the new Library copiers. Check the Library News section on the homepage for details: www.floralparklibrary.org.

Department of Public Works

Trustee Cheng reported that PSE&G is trimming trees on the West End of the Village. There is also a gas main being replaced on the West End.

Trustee Cheng said through the cooperation between the Village and Sewanhaka High School, the curb cuts originally planned on Landau Avenue have been changed from being moved to only being widened.

Long Island Rail Road Third Track Expansion Project

Trustee Cheng said that the commenting period for the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) with regard to the Long Island Rail Road Third Track Expansion Project is currently going on. Oral comments may be received from January 17 to 19. The commenting period will conclude on January 31st.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Tweedy thanked Trustee Cheng for his efforts in obtaining a very equitable agreement between the Village and Sewanhaka High School regarding the curb cuts on Landau Avenue. Mayor Tweedy said Trustee Cheng has brought a wealth of knowledge to the Board of Trustees from his many years of experience on the School Board.

Mayor Tweedy commented on how beautiful the Village looked for the holidays. Not only did the Department of Public Works do a beautiful job decorating, so did residents in decorating their own homes. Someone decorated the tree at the new Colonial Park which looked very festive. Trustee Tweedy wished everyone a happy, healthy, prosperous and successful New Year.