

**Inc. Village of Floral Park**  
**June 4, 2019**  
**Board of Trustees Meeting**

Prior to the start of the Board Meeting, Mayor Longobardi asked for a moment of silence to memorialize several people from our Village family who recently passed away. Retiring in 1985, Library Director, Fran Hornberger, passed away on June 2<sup>nd</sup>. Fran would have been 99 this coming August. She is one of the Kirchner triplets and would have turned 99 this August. Carmella Marrinan, mother of recently retired Police Officer John Marrinan; Ann Hearne, mother of Police Officer Michael Hearne; and Constance Funke, mother of School Crossing Guard Claire Praino, have passed away. Our Associate Village Justice, Perry Criscitelli's son, Thomas, tragically succumbed to a long illness. May they all find comfort and peace in the knowledge that we are thinking of them.

**Department of Public Works – Trustee Kevin Fitzgerald**

Trustee Fitzgerald reported that over the past two months, the Village arborist has been inspecting the new trees that were planted on Locust Street last Fall. Suggestions such as putting down additional mulch, planned waterings, etc. were carried out by DPW over the past few weeks. Unfortunately, based on the arborist's visit last week, he determined that approximately 20 of the trees have not survived. Therefore, over the coming weeks, these trees will be removed. The company from whom we purchased the trees and planted them has agreed, per our contract, to replace the trees at no cost to the Village. The new trees will be planted in the Fall. We are obviously not happy with this turn of events, but some things, especially Mother Nature, cannot be controlled even with the best of intentions and care.

**Recreation Department and Pool – Trustee Lynn Pombonyo**

Trustee Pombonyo invited all to Opening Day at the pool this Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup>. Take your first plunge at 11:00 am and enjoy the pool, refreshments and All Occasions DJ's until 8:00 pm. Pool registration is ongoing and openings remain in the following activities: Aerobics; Monday and Wednesday Gardening; Cartooning; Monday and Saturday Zumba; Boot Camp, Jedi Boot Camp; Wednesday and Saturday Yoga; Cardio and Toning; Stress Reduction; Jazz/Hip Hop; and Tennis for Youth, Teens, Adult Beginners, Adult Fridays, and Adult Saturdays. Reminder to all that Sponsorship discounts for 2018 members and new 2019 members end on June 7<sup>th</sup>. Make the Floral Park Rec Center and Pool a big part of your family's summer plans!

**Conservation Society – Trustee Lynn Pombonyo**

Trustee Pombonyo invited all to the Conservation Society's annual Garden Party at Centennial Gardens this Friday, June 7<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 pm to sunset. Enjoy an evening with friends and neighbors, tasty hors d'oeuvres from our local restaurants and caterers, refreshments, music, and more.

### **Covert Avenue Chamber of Commerce – Trustee Lynn Pombonyo**

Trustee Pombonyo invited all to this Sunday's, June 9<sup>th</sup> Floral Park Chamber of Commerce Belmont Stakes Street Fair from 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm. There you will also see exciting booths from our Covert Avenue businesses, compliments of the Floral Park Chamber. Enjoy the Street Fair and remember to SHOP AND DINE LOCALLY in Floral Park and Stewart Manor because we're OPEN FOR BUSINESS!

### **Library – Trustee Frank Chiara**

Trustee Chiara reported that with the assistance of Jane, our Young Adult Librarian, many of our teens have been using our Library meeting room as a 'study hall' for their upcoming exams. It is encouraging to hear that our teens are commenting to the Library staff about how they enjoy coming and using our Library. With this in mind, the staff is continuing their quest for a new design teen space and hopefully it will come to fruition in the near future.

On Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, the launch of the Summer Reading Club will take place on the Library lawn. Ed the Reptile Man will be bringing some 'friends' and there will be balloon sculpting along with sno-cones. All are welcome to attend and participate in the Summer Reading Club. Please check the website for details on this event and other upcoming events scheduled throughout the summer.

### **New Resident Committee – Trustee Frank Chiara**

The New Resident Committee continues to welcome our new residents to our wonderful community. If a new resident moves into your area, please encourage them to visit Village Hall to receive a welcome bag and to receive some valuable information about our Village.

### **Mayor's Report – Mayor Dominick Longobardi**

Mayor Longobardi brought to the attention of our residents that a few months ago, a company by the name of Aptive Environmental, LLC, wanted to solicit door to door in our Village. There are rules and regulations put in place by the Village for solicitation of our residents. One rule is the company must be registered with the Village in order to do so. When we asked them to file for a permit, they did not comply and sued the Village. The Village had to settle with this company as well as change our law, as a judge had ruled. We did everything we were told to do. However, Aptive did not follow the new rules and get a permit to solicit in our community. If they show up at your door, please do not entertain these people. Not only did they cause a financial burden, but they are not in compliance with the rules. Please contact the Floral Park Police Department right away if they ring your doorbell. They are not allowed to solicit in our Village right now. The Mayor said he does not normally interfere with businesses, but he wanted to let everyone know this – they do not have a permit to solicit door to door.

As Trustee Pombonyo mentioned, the Belmont Stakes Street Fair, sponsored by the Floral Park Chamber of Commerce, was postponed last week due to the threat of bad weather. The fair has been rescheduled for this Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup>. Pray for good weather! Mayor Longobardi thanked

everyone from the Chamber for their diligence and hard work. He hopes everyone will come out and support their local businesses, especially with the Third Track construction currently going on. We all need to support our businesses on Tulip Avenue, Jericho Turnpike and Covert Avenue.

The pool is opening on Sunday morning, June 9<sup>th</sup> and Mayor Longobardi hopes everyone comes out to enjoy the festivities.

On Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup> is the running of the Belmont Stakes. It is not a Triple Crown this year so, hopefully, traffic will not be as bad as past years. Road patterns will be changed and our Police Department will be re-directing traffic. On-street parking passes for residents in the West End are now available for pick up at the Police Department. Please be careful and have fun with your families!

Mayor Longobardi thanked Felix Procaccia for filming this evening's meeting and for members of the media for attending.