Village of **STAMFORD**



"Queen of the Catskills"

October - December 2018

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East End Water Project

About a month ago, when I got the news that the new water tank was on line, I just had to sing an old Etta James song, "At Last." "At Last," because the new tank was finally on line, "At Last," the residents on South Delaware Street had clean water and better water pressure, "At Last," the old failed water tank was demolished and the site was graded, "At Last," we were able to fix a leak that was under the old water tank which has eluded us for years, "At Last," residents in some of the higher elevations in the village have improved water pressure at the shower head and their ice makers work. There are a few I's to dot and T's to cross in the form of grading and fencing around the tank site, electrical metering and control devices in the control building, but all of the components necessary to provide water service to the village are up and running. As we worked through all of these issues, we did have to boost the water pressure to find a few leaks which resulted in rusty water in several places in the village. Joe Hornbeck and our Village Crew worked tirelessly, on several occasions late into the night, to fix

leaks, replace valves, and flush the system as expeditiously as possible to keep the system operating and to get the rusty water purged. Although we have reached this milestone in the project, we still have a significant part of the project to accomplish, specifically, the water main on the Route 10 corridor from Archibald Field to Axtell Road. We have already had preliminary meetings with the NYS DOT to move the process along. Our engineers are working on the plans, and Requests for Proposals (RFP's) from contractors will be published this winter so we can start the West End Water Project at the start of the construction season in the spring. We expect that the incidents of rusty water will be lessened significantly on the west side of the village when the new mains are brought on line.

We owe a debt of thanks and gratitude to a lengthy list of people and agencies including Robinson Broadhurst Foundation for the initial grant that got us started, the Village Crew and Office Staff for the enormous amount of additional work required by this project, Allyson

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Comprehensive Planning

Over the course of 2017 and 2018 a group of area residents, business owners, representatives from the Stamford Village Improvement Association (SVIA), Stamford Central School and several village board members went through the process of creating "Stamford Next," our 5 year comprehensive plan. Comprehensive planning is an exhaustive process used to identify and prioritize the needs of a municipality, in this case, our village. Once the plan is created, edited, and finalized, a public hearing is held and if the comprehensive plan meets with the approval of the community and the village trustees, the plan is adopted by the Village Board. We have been working on numerous facets of the comprehensive plan since it was adopted in the form of identifying the top priorities and applying for grants to see the various projects through without significant impact on the village budget. However, it takes a village to make this plan a reality. A few months ago, several members of the

original planning committee got together to form the Comprehensive Plan Implementation Committee (CPIP). The committee is comprised of residents, business owners and others who are concerned with the progress of the Village of Stamford. Currently we have four members who have spoken to the village board about formalizing the CPIC as an advisory committee which will report to the village board. The CPIC will be doing much of the work to make the comprehensive plan a reality. However, as you know, there is strength in numbers. A four member committee can do much of the work, but a larger committee is preferable and will lend a broader perspective of the plan. So, consider joining the CPIC as we work through the comprehensive plan. Please contact the village hall, leave a message with Gena or Pam and a committee member will respond ASAP.

Respectfully, John Bonhotal, Deputy Mayor

Cont. East End Water Project

Phillips from Young and Sommer, LLC, Jonathan Soukup and Cedarwood Engineering, Linda Stratigos for writing 4 grant applications for the project all of which were awarded to the tune of 3.2 Million Dollars. Don Tweedie and Tweedie Construction, Statewide Aquastore, Vacri Electric, and to the Village Board for moving this project forward. Thank you to all of the village residents who

have been living with rusty water for so many

years, and who have been remarkably patient,

and to all of the residents and businesses who have been inconvenienced do to the water quality, water boil emergencies, complications due to the construction process, and the like. And to the residents on the West End of the Village, we hope to be singing "At Last," once again, at the end of the 2019 construction when the new water mains are on line in your neighborhoods.

Respectfully, John Bonhotal, Deputy Mayor

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Village Clerk's Corner

Upcoming Village Meetings:

Nov 20th @ 7PM Dec 18h @ 7PM <u>Please note:</u> The Village will <u>NO LONGER</u> be holding a workshop meeting the 1st Tuesday of the month - until further notice.

Water & Sewer Bills

Please Remember that your Water and Sewer bills are considered utilities. Although we understand mail can get lost or misplaced, you are still responsible for making your payments on time so that there will be no interruption in your water service.

NEW WEBSITE

Please visit our **NEW** website!!

<u>CodeRED</u> (village notification system)
To sign up for the Village notification
system, please visit www.stamfordny.com.
If you would like to be removed from the
notification system, please visit
www.onsolve.com and choose "Opt Out" at
the bottom of the page.

Upcoming Billings:

SEWER
December 1, 2018
March 1, 2019
WATER
January 1, 2019
April 1, 2019

A message from the Public Works Superintendent

From the desk of the Public Works Superintendent.

As we wind down on the water project for the construction of phase 1 of the project, a few things have come to light for me. When we have experienced discolored water to extremely dirt water I have noticed that it is not getting reported to me or not at all or is getting posted on social media where it is not being seen by the ones that should know about it. Sometimes we do know the cause but in others, it is hard to determine what has caused the disturbance in the system. It can be caused by a change in operation of the system or a problem that has nothing to do with the operation on the water department side such as a leak in a large pipe in a build within the system, which there is no way to control. This year we have activated a phone calling system to help in notification to everyone that there is a problem or that a change is being made to the system which may or may not affect your water. If you have not signed up for all notifications I recommend you do. If you need assistance in doing so, stop at the Village hall and the clerk can help. Lastly if you have or are experiencing dirty water I do need you to notify me. If I don't know about it I can't clear it. Call me on my cell phone @ 607-221-7411. If you have a question about anything in reference to the Village call me week days 7AM to 3:30PM and I will help you if I can.

Joe Hornbeck Public Works Superintendent



Village Crew Hours:

[All water emergency calls should be directed to Joe Hornbeck @ (607) 221-7411]

June - August

Monday - Friday 6:00AM - 2:30PM

September - May

Monday - Friday7:00AM - 3:30PM

Make your Water, Sewer, and Tax payments on our Website at: www.stamfordny.com

Village Hall Hours:

Monday - Friday
9:00AM - 1:00PM and by Appt. between 2-4PM
84 MAIN STREET, STAMFORD, NY 12167
OFFICE: 607-652-6671 FAX: 607-652-3567

WWW.STAMFORDNY.COM

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Closed Holidays, Open Through Lunchtime (Payments can be left in the outside drop box at anytime!) [Street Parking with Handicap Access at the rear of the Building]



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