# Minutes of the Garden City Estates Property Owners' Association Annual Meeting Held On Wednesday, May 14, 2014 at Stratford School at 8 P.M.

The monthly meeting of the Garden City Estates Property Owners' Association, was held on Wednesday, May 14, 2014, at the Stratford School cafeteria.

President Senken opened the regular business meeting by reminding residents that the Village's annual Belmont Stakes will be held June 6<sup>th</sup>. The Nominating Committee announced that it met to choose the slate of 5 directors whose term expired. By unanimous vote the Committee, choose the following 5 Directors for the new term, Colby Allsbrook, Courtney Rosenblatt, Kathy Auro, Jeff Minnett and Kristina Russo. The meeting continued with the committee reports:

## **Treasurer's Report**

POA Treasurer Courtney Rosenblatt reported that the POA had an increase in income due to a rise in membership from 530 last year to 580 this year as well as the fact that POA did not have to pay for a special election this year. The POA also awarded two \$500 scholarships to 2 village residents.

## Library Report

Randy Colahan, Library Trustee, reported that the Library had a new Director that would be introduced tomorrow. The library also hired a consultant to review the operations of the library and they suggested changes including increased internet access and expanding movie selection. Library collected \$27,000 last year from residents of Stewart Manor.

#### **Recreation Committee**

Kristina Russo reported that the Community Park playground is being resurfaced in June. Pool brochure has been sent to residents. The Village is obtaining bids for the repairs at the Senior Center.

# **Traffic Committee**

Doug Singer reported on three issues:

- POA has sent a request to Nassau County for a left turn signal at the intersection of Nassau Blvd and Stewart Avenue.
- Village is adding stop signs at the intersection of Salisbury Avenue and Kensington Road South to make it a 4 way stop. This was due to reports of Adelphi students speeding through the intersection. The POA also sent a letter to Adelphi University to request that the University address the situation with the student body.

A Resident commented that the Village needs more traffic enforcement not more signs.

The meeting continued with a comment from a resident to reform the  $3^{rd}$  rail sub-committee to address the continued attempts to add a third rail line along Merrilon Avenue.

President Senken introduced Ralph Suozzi the newly appointed Village Administrator. Mr. Suozzi stated that he is still adjusting to his new role and thanked the outgoing Administrator, Bob Schoelle for his help with the transition. He also encouraged all residents to reach out regarding any Village issues.

# School Board

Dr. Fiersen addressed those present at the meeting and stated that the school budget was presented at last night's School Board meeting. He proceeded to give a summary of the budget to the residents and encouraged residents to vote for the school budget on May 20<sup>th</sup>.

The next meeting will be held at the Stratford School on Wednesday, June 11, 2014 at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Bommarito Secretary