

Village of Kings Point Bulletin

December 2021

\$4 Million Slated for Roads

The village is continuing its ongoing initiative to restore and improve the 26 miles of two-lane village roadways that meander through beautiful Kings Point. With clearance from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation to move ahead with three major projects originally planned for 2021, but delayed by the DEC approval process, the village expects to put those and three additional projects out to bid in January.

Each of the six reconstruction and beautification projects includes upgrades to the drainage system, milling to remove old asphalt from the surface, street repaving and the addition of Belgian block curbing. Weather permitting, the work is expected to begin sometime in March.

- Wildwood Road: from Cherry Lane to Middle Neck Road
- Redbrook Road: from Kings Point Road to Lighthouse Road
- Eagle Point Drive: entire length
- Gatsby Lane: entire length
- Kenneth Court: Steven Lane to end
- Steven Lane: Remsen Road to East Shore Road

When driving in close proximity to road crews, residents are asked to take extra precaution by slowing down, paying careful attention to activity in the area and following directions provided by signs and given by flagmen and women.

Funding for Septic System Replacements

Nassau County has initiated a septic system replacement program for residents and is providing grant funding up to \$20,000 to eligible homeowners to change out conventional or failing septic systems with innovative and alternative state-of-the-art nitrogen-reducing wastewater treatment systems.

Nitrogen pollution from cesspools and septic systems has been long known to negatively impact the quality of Long Island's waterways, contributing to beach closures, restrictions on shell fishing, toxic algae blooms and suffocation of aquatic life. The conventional residential septic system was not designed to remove nitrogen, leading to approximately 40 pounds of the chemical element discharge by the average system into the environment annually.

When properly designed, sited, installed, managed and maintained, newer septic systems provide a cost-effective and environmentally sound

alternative that can significantly reduce nitrogen pollution and help to protect public health and the environment.

To find out about eligibility and other details about the grant program, residents can go to Nassau County's website at nassaucountyny.gov/septicreplace, call (516) 364-5861 or email septicreplace@nassaucountyny.gov.





A Message from Mayor Michael C. Kalnick

Residents can be rest assured that their village government is always ready, willing and able to serve you, respond to your concerns, answer your questions and take steps to help resolve local issues, while making decisions that are legally sound and in the best interest of the community at large.

We encourage and appreciate participation and feedback from residents on all matters related to the Village of Kings Point.

Walk Safely

It is encouraging to see members of the community participate in the safety program to provide reflective vests, free of charge, to residents. We cannot emphasize enough the need to practice vigilance and take safety precautions when traveling by foot along village roadways. It may be easy for pedestrians to see approaching vehicles, but drivers cannot easily spot people near or in the street, especially in the early morning and evening hours, when the sun is low in the sky and visibility is reduced.



It's important to walk single-file, facing traffic,

and stay to the far side of the road at all times. Light colored or reflective clothing, such as the vests provided by the village, should be worn to increase visibility. Residents can stop by village hall, with proof of residency, to pick up two vests per household.

Take the Keys & Fobs

Keyless entry and engine start buttons are controlled by key fobs, so leaving the fob inside a vehicle is an open invitation for it to get stolen. So too is a key left behind in an unlocked car. Unfortunately, thieves can pick up on signs of a fob remaining inside some car brands and crooks are willing to spend the time pulling on door handles until finding an unlocked car with a fob or key inside.



Too often, the police have responded to a report of a stolen automobile, only to learn that the car was accessed and driven off because a fob was left behind. For the protection of your property, please get in the habit of removing the keys and fobs and locking your automobile each time you leave it unattended.

Keep KP Roadways Beautiful

Right of Way Should Be Clear

Residents are asked to please refrain from blocking the right of way by placing rocks and other obstacles along their property lines, on the unpaved portion of the roadways. The practice is against the law, as it creates unsafe conditions and a liability for the property owner.

Maintain the Shoulder

It is a year-round responsibility of each property owner to maintain the grassy area between the property lines and any public street, otherwise known as the shoulder of the road. The grass is to be kept trimmed and hedges and plantings cut back. The area should be kept clear of accumulations of leaves and all landscaping debris, including clippings from trees, plants, hedges and grass.

KP Police Department News



TWO NEW OFFICERS

The Village of Kings Point Police Department recently welcomed two new officers to its ranks, both of whom previously held positions with the NYPD.

Michael B. DeFranco

Since graduating from the academy in December of 2010, Officer DeFranco has worked for the NYPD as a patrol officer in the 90th precinct in Brooklyn and out of the 111th precinct in Queens. His training includes national incident management, auto crime tactics, highway DWI enforcement and active shooter response scenarios. Officer DeFranco is also certified in crisis intervention training, CPR, first-aid and as a NYPD field training officer.



Michael J. Stark

Officer Stark has five years of experience with the NYPD as a police officer in the 101st precinct, patrolling the residential and business areas in Rockaway/Queens. He has received certifications in crisis intervention, CPR, first aid, active shooter training, urban water rescue and FEMA law enforcement protective measures for chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear or explosive incident-response.



PROMOTION EARNED

Recently promoted to Sergeant, George Von-Bartheld joined the Kings Point Police Department in September of 2000, after four years as a police officer with the NYPD. Since 2008, he has served the village as Range Officer, working to train and qualify each of the department's officers for duty.

Expired Building Permits?

The homeowner bears the responsibility of closing out a building permit before the expiration date — **NOT THE CONTRACTOR!**

When permits are issued for construction, improvements or repairs to a property and work is finished, it is the homeowner's responsibility to obtain a **PHYSICAL** certificate of completion or occupancy from the building department to ensure that the work is completed and the permits are closed.

Reoccurring annual fees will accrue when a permit is not closed out, potentially becoming costly and causing difficulties when selling the property.

Uncertain about open permits?

Call the Village of Kings Point Building Department without delay.

Clear the Way for Trash Pickup

In past years, some residents were inconvenienced when passageways that were too dangerous to navigate led to disruptions in garbage removal services.

If you haven't already done so, now is the time to arrange for walkways, driveways and private roads to be kept clear of snow and ice throughout the winter season. A buildup of ice will cause dangerous conditions and inhibit sanitation trucks from entering the property and make trash bins inaccessible to workers, preventing the garbage from being collected on designated days.





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How Can We Reach You?



Emails and automated phone calls have proven to be the most effective way to communicate timely information about matters of importance to the community. Residents wishing to be added to the email contact list can complete a Preferred Contact Information form, found on the village website at villageofkingspoint.org, and email it to info@villageofkingspoint.org. Or an email request with your name, address and preferred contact information can be sent to the address above.

NUMBERS TO NOTE

Kings Point Village Hall: (516) 504-1000
Kings Point Police Dept: (516) 482-1000
Fire / Alert Fire Co.: (516) 487-7000
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PSEG Long Island: 1-(800) 490-0075
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Wishing You Holiday Cheer

*The Board of Trustees & entire
Village of Kings Point family extend
warm wishes to the community we serve
for a joyful holiday season and
happy New Year.*

