



GARDEN CITY PARK

Safeguarding Our Water...*Today and Tomorrow*

The Garden City Park Water District (GCPWD) is the vanguard of our community's water utility, and as our community grows, safeguarding our water supply requires a tremendous amount of vigilance and foresight.

In 2020, our District and the Town of North Hempstead came to a resolution on a \$30 million bond to accommodate the enhancements necessary to achieve our mission as identified in the GCPWD capital improvement plan.

"Our capital improvement program is complex, multifaceted and heavily focused on addressing emerging contaminants. We have worked tirelessly with our team of engineers, superintendent, and support vendors to carefully manage and implement a phased approach ensuring the best service with the least amount of burden on our community," remarked Water Commissioner Peter Chimenti. "It includes new water treatment technology, repairs and upgrades to aging facilities, as well as rehabilitating and refurbishing wells and tanks."

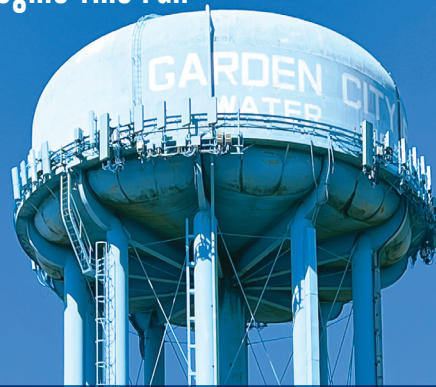
► Ahead of the Curve: New Water Treatment Technology

New water treatment technology for emerging contaminants is a large part of the program and will accommodate the New York State and Department of Health mandate, which recently granted a 2-year deferral to water suppliers with treatment process plans in place.

GCPWD is pleased to inform our consumers we are ahead of the game and construction is already underway supplementing the processes we currently have in place. We qualified for the deferral, yet never had to rely on it. "We're proud to say we've constructed some of the most advanced water treatment systems in the country, with the ability to carry our vision into the future," noted Water Commissioner Kenneth Borchers.

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► Denton Avenue Tank Restoration Begins This Fall



The elevated 1.0 million gallon Denton Avenue tank provides essential water storage for periods of high demand and firefighting flow. Although the structural integrity of the water tank is completely intact, rehabilitation is part of ensuring its longevity.

Tank rehabilitation takes approximately 10 to 12 months and includes a full tank assessment, valve replacement, sandblasting, stripping, and painting for protection with a lead and copper-free primer and paint. The tank will be painted both inside and out.

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A MESSAGE FROM SUPERINTENDENT MIKE LEVY



Superintendent Mike Levy

Summer has arrived, and it's that time of year when the District reminds our consumers about water conservation. As we enter into these drier months, it's

critical that we all do our part to help conserve water!

Our District has adopted new technologies to assist us in the business of water supply. In fact, today, Garden City Park has one of the most advanced water treatment facilities in the nation, as well as some of the very best water professionals in the industry!

This season we welcome back Alan Cooper, Ph.D. to our team of Water Commissioners.

We congratulate Christopher Tobin as he expands his role to Assistant Superintendent. And we celebrate the outstanding achievement of Joseph Renta, Supervisor of Water Plant Operations for winning the prestigious NYSAWWA Water Operator of the Year.

Our District covers roughly 3.08 square miles and services approximately 18,000 people with 7,000 service connections and growing. With plans in place to upgrade our infrastructure, there is a lot to do to ensure we conserve and protect our water resources and we rely on our community to help do its part.

Have a great summer, and let's continue to stay safe and healthy!

— Mike Levy, Superintendent



Assistant Superintendent Christopher Tobin

GCPWD \$30 BOND PROGRAM

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The GCPWD bond program for sustainable growth includes the following district projects:

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PLANT 6
Emerging contaminant treatment system

2

PLANT 7/10
Emerging contaminant treatment system

3

PLANT 9
Emerging contaminant treatment system exterior 450 kW generator

4

PLANT 8
Emerging contaminant treatment system

5

PORTABLE GENERATOR
Back up 350 kW generator for Plant 6 and 8

6

DENTON AVENUE TANK
Rehabilitation

7

WATER DISTRIBUTION IMPROVEMENTS
Targeting critical water main areas for rehabilitation



\$4.3 MILLION GRANT
GCPWD AWARDED



On April 22, The Environmental Facilities Corporation awarded \$638 million in grants to municipalities and public authorities for 199 water infrastructure projects across the state.

GCPWD received \$4.3M to be used towards the construction of Plant 8 to help offset costs of design and construction at the plant site. The District will seek additional funds as they become available.

WELCOME BACK COMMISSIONER!

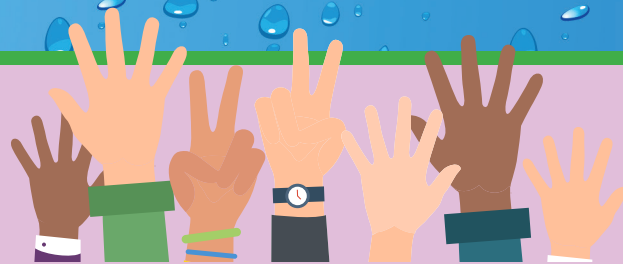
The past December, Alan Cooper, Ph.D. was elected Garden City Park Water/Fire Commissioner. Dr. Cooper is currently the Associate Dean of the Willumstad School of Business at Adelphi University, and owner of the Tudor Advisory Group, a management consulting firm. He also serves on the North Hempstead Housing Authority. Dr. Cooper brings a wealth of experience in working with municipal organizations and institutions.

"With all the changes and challenges facing our community, I am excited to bring my experience, education and background to the task," said Dr. Cooper.

Dr. Cooper also brings familiarity to the position, having served as commissioner with the Garden City Park Water/Fire District in prior years. Welcome back, Alan!



Water/Fire Commissioner Alan Cooper, Ph.D.



A MERITORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT

Joseph Renta, Supervisor of Water Plant Operations, Garden City Park Water District, took home the prestigious AWWA Operator's Meritorious Service Award at the American Water Works Association's Annual Conference – New York Section in Saratoga Springs this past April.

The award is presented to only one operator, recognized at the section level for:

- Continuous compliance with all public health standards in treated drinking water
- Consistent outstanding contribution to plant maintenance
- Special efforts in the training of plant operators
- Demonstration of dedication to the public beyond operating responsibilities

Joseph began his career with GCPWD in 1988 as a water servicer, becoming plant operator in 2008 and moving his way up the ranks to supervisor by 2016.

Congratulations, Joe!



Joseph Renta, NYAWWA Winner

Left to right: Kelley Dearing Smith, Public Affairs Council Chair AWWA; Joseph Renta, Supervisor of Water Plant Operations GCPWD; Brian Sibiga, PE, NYSAWWA Chair.

Dennis Peitler of Mineola High School is the recipient of the Nassau Suffolk Water Commissioners' Association 'Nicholas J. Bartilucci Manhattan College Scholarship Award'. The award is presented to a student for their scholastic achievement and desire to enter any engineering program as a full-time course of study at Manhattan College.

"Garden City Park is proud of Dennis' accomplishments and all of our future engineers," remarked Water Commissioner Peter Chimenti, who presented the award to Dennis alongside Water Commissioner Kenneth Borchers.

The annual scholarship is open to entering freshmen enrolled full-time in any engineering degree program at Manhattan College with emphasis placed on academic credentials.



Left to right: Ray Averna, Massapequa Water District Commissioner; Patricia Peterson, Locust Valley Water District Chairperson and NSWCA President; Kenneth Borchers and Peter Chimenti, Garden City Park Water District Commissioners; and Dennis Peitler along side his parents Maria and John Peitler.

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2021 Drinking Water Quality Report

Our water meets or exceeds all local, state and federal drinking water regulations and our latest report can be found online by visiting: www.gcpwater.org.

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WATERING RULES & REGULATIONS

Keeping our greens green and protecting and preserving our water resource is a community effort. Abiding to irrigation schedules helps to conserve water this summer.

WATER CONSERVATION TIPS:

- When you turn on automatic irrigation systems, repair broken sprinkler heads.
- Limit irrigation to 15 minutes per area/zone with a maximum watering of two hours per day, every other day. This will help save 20 percent on overall usage.
- Rain sensors are required.
- All backflow devices must be tested annually by law.

NASSAU COUNTY ORDINANCE. IT'S THE LAW:

- No watering between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.
- Even house numbers water on even dates.
- Odd house numbers water on odd dates.
- If you don't have a house number, water on even-numbered dates.

