

## **Rockville Centre by the Numbers**

## Location

Southwestern Nassau County 25 miles east of midtown Manhattan 3.3 square miles in area.

## **Government**

Incorporated 1893 Governed by a a full-time Mayor and four Trustees elected at large who serve part-time and appoint a full-time Administrator.

## **Services**

Police, Fire, Emergency Medical, Electric, Water, Sewers, Sanitation, Highways, Court, Building Safety, Zoning, Planning, Parks, Recreation, Senior Services, Community Development.

## **Population**

25,814 (2021 US Census)

## **Housing**

Median home value: \$746,262 Average home sale: \$771,000 30transactions 6/1/21 – 5/31/22

## **Village Budget**

\$48.5 Million (June 1, 2022 – May 31, 2023)

## Village Taxes

Assessed Valuation of Property: \$59.9 million Tax Rate: \$56.52 per \$100 NAV Average Residential Tax Bill: \$4,513

## **Business Community**

489 locations: 11 banks Onemovie theater (five screens) Nine professional office buildings Scores of restaurants
Some light manufacturing
30 municipal parking fields
(over 3,700 parking spaces Village-wide

## **Some Major Employers**

Mercy Medical Center (1,610) Molloy University (1,313) RVC Union Free School District (948) Better Home Health Care (500) Village of Rockville Centre (233) Diocese of Rockville Centre (250) Orlin & Cohen (200) Karp Volvo/Buick/KIA (100) U.S. Post Office (80)

## **Schools**

Five public elementary South Side Middle School South Side High School St. Agnes Cathedral School Molloy University

## **Hospitals**

Mercy Medical Center Mount Sinai South Nassau Hospital

## **Houses of Worship**

Eleven churches, two synagogues

## **Parks**

Eight with fields, playgrounds, facilities. Six for walking, sitting

## **Village of Rockville Centre**

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## Mayor

Francis X. Murray 678-9260

## Village Administrator

Nancy Howard 678-9212

## **Trustees**

Kathleen Baxley, Deputy Mayor

Michael Sepe

Emilio F. Grillo

Katie Conlon

678-9246

# Mayor's Message



## Dear Neighbors:

022 continued to prove that the Village of Rockville Centre is one of the premier communities in which to live, work, and raise a family on Long Island. Our award-winning schools, recreation programs for youth and seniors, safety, downtown area, and overall quality of life are second to none. I am privileged to be your Mayor and committed to keeping our Village affordable while delivering the great services our residents have come to expect.

Once again, the Village of Rockville Centre received the highest possible bond rating from one of the top credit rating services. Standard & Poor's (S&P) Global Ratings has affirmed Rockville Centre's AAA rating for public improvements bonds. We have aggressively pursued grants and gifts to make improvements in order to hold the line on taxes for our residents. Throughout my tenure, over \$51 million dollars in federal, state, and local grants, as

well as gifts have been secured to make improvements within the Village.



As always, we continue to make upgrades throughout the Village so that future generations may benefit. In 2022, we improved our infrastructure, refurbishing roadways and planting trees, replacing water mains, upgrading our electric infrastructure, and continuously updating our parks and ballfields. The Rockville Centre Police Department has moved into its new state-of-the- art headquarters that will continue to keep our Village one of the safest communities in the U.S. well into the future.

The 2022 Annual Report provides basic information about Rockville Centre, its government and administration, and many outstanding municipal services available to you. You will also find contact information for the Board of Trustees and the department heads that are responsible for delivering those municipal services to you.

The Board of Trustees and I are always available to you. We are committed to communicating with you and to responding to you because we believe that a receptive and accountable Village government is an important reason why Rockville Centre continues to be such a desirable community in which to live. I encourage you to log onto our website at www.rvcny.gov and follow the Village on our social media pages including Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram to learn about news and upcoming events for 2023.

It is a privilege to be the Mayor of Rockville Centre. I am proud of the work we have done and look forward to continuing to improve on this great foundation to make it an even better place for generations to come.

Sincerely,

Francis X. Murray, Mayor

Incorporated Village of Rockville Centre



## **Board of Trustees**



The Rockville Centre Village Board of Trustees (left to right): Trustee Emilio F. Grillo, Deputy Mayor Kathleen Baxley, Mayor Francis X. Murray, Trustee Michael Sepe, and Trustee Katie Conlon.

he members of the Village Board — the Mayor and four Trustees — are elected at-large by residents to four-year terms. Elections are held every two years in odd numbered years. The Board sets Village policy, passes local laws, adopts the annual budget and makes appointments to various local boards, commissions and advisory committees.

The Board meets in public approximately 12 times a year at night in Village Hall, after being briefed by the Village Administrator and the department managers at two additional open meeting called a Briefing Session and Mid-Month Meeting. The Board meetings include a comment period where members of the public may address the Mayor and the Trustees. The Board also holds public hearings on the annual budget and on any proposed legislation. Meeting as the Exterior Design Review Board, the Trustees also hold public hearings to review the architectural plans for certain commercial and residential projects. In addition, every July an Organizational Meeting is held at Village Hall. The Trustees are assigned as liaisons to the various departments and to the principal civic, cultural, and educational organizations in the Village. Board members take seriously the responsibilities of their Trustee positions: regularly attending public events and meetings to hear from their neighbors. Residents may write to or call them at Village Hall or leave e-mail messages on the Village's website www. rvcny.gov.

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Mayor Francis X. Murray was elected to his third term in June 2019. He is a lifelong resident of the Village and the son of former Mayor Eugene J. Murray. Mayor Murray and wife, Barbara, raised their five children in the Village. He has also been an active member of the RVC Fire

Department since 1972, including serving as an EMT. He has served on the Rockville Centre Environmental and Beautification Committee, the Rockville Centre Conservancy, the Friends of Senior Services (FOSSI) and co-chaired the RVC Community Fund Golf Outing. He was the 2009 Grand Marshal of the RVC St. Patrick's Parade and has been President of the Mercy Medical Center Foundation and President of the Friends of Mercy. Mayor Murray was named to the New York State Conference of Mayors and Municipal Officials (NYCOM) Executive Committee at NYCOM's annual business meeting in May 2013. On January 1, 2022, he was elected as the 96th President of the New York State Conference Mayors (NYCOM). He previously served as Vice President and Second Vice President.

Mayor Francis Murray has received numerous accolades for his public service including: "Theodore Roosevelt Award," given by the Nassau-Suffolk Hospital Council; "St. Thomas Aquinas Award" for ongoing support of Catholic Education by St. Agnes Grammar School; UJA (United Jewish Federation of New York for Devoted Service); South Nassau Communities Hospital's Golf Tournament honoree for his commitment and benevolence to residents of the South Shore; The Friends of Mercy Golf Outing Honoree; "Franklin D. Roosevelt Award" from the New York American Public Work's Association of N.Y. State in recognition of his distinguished leadership and initiative in advancing and improving the environment and quality of life in New York State; The Society of The Friendly Sons of St. Patrick on Long Island honored him as their "Favorite Son Award" "Local Government Achievement Award" from the New York Conference of Mayors; and the Guild

for the Arts of Rockville Centre established a high school scholarship called "Mayor Gene & Mayor Fran Murray Scholarship Award for the Arts."



Deputy Mayor Kathleen Baxley a lifelong resident of Rockville Centre, has been a Village Trustee for six years. Kathy, her husband Matt, and their children are involved in many aspects of the Village.

A former teacher, Kathy has vast experience in the community. She previously served as PTA President of multiple RVC schools, she was a board member of the RVC Education Foundation, and participates in many local organizations. Currently, she is a Board member of the RVC Breast Cancer Coalition, the Ryan Patrick O'Shea Foundation, and the RVC Community Fund; she is an advisor to the RVC Friends of MLK, and a member of the RVC Beautification committee. Her six years of experience as Deputy Mayor have enhanced the various departments and workings of the Village, and she has been instrumental in creating and designing community events and activities, such as the Family Music on the Village Green Nights, Classic Car Show, and the Village's Holiday Lights Night Event. Kathy is Trustee Liaison to the RVC Chamber of Commerce, the RVC School District, the Recreation Center, the Sandel Senior Center, the MLK Center and the Engineering Department. Kathy has been recognized for her community work by the Town of Hempstead, the New York State Assembly, the RVCBCC, the Hispanic Brotherhood, and Friends Of Senior Services, Inc.



**Trustee Michael Sepe** was elected to his third term in June 2019. He served as a Nassau County Assistant District Attorney from 1996-2003. He founded a law practice in Rockville Centre specializing in federal

and state litigation in 2007. He also was appointed to the Public Employment Relations Board (PERB) for the Town of Hempstead in 2017, has been a guest commentator for Court-TV, and is a former faculty member of the National College of District Attorneys. He serves as Trustee liaison to the Rockville Centre Police Department, the Nassau County Legislature, the Rockville Centre Building Department and is a member of the Rockville Centre Board of Ethics.



Trustee Emilio F. Grillo was elected to his third term in June 2021. He and his wife Christine have resided in Rockville Centre for over two decades and have three children. He is a partner of the

law firm Goldberg Segalla, LLP, and he has served Rockville Centre as a Deputy Village Attorney and Village Prosecutor from 2004 to 2013, when elected as Village Trustee. Emilio currently serves as the Village Board Liaison to the Rockville Centre Fire Department, the Village Electric and Water Departments, and the Citizen's Budget Advisory Committee. Emilio has been actively involved in Village fundraising, including the Rockville Centre Community Fund, the St. Agnes Parish,

the Rockville Centre Education Foundation, and he is a member of the Long Island Chapter of Legatus, an organization of Catholic business leaders. In addition to various community organizations, Emilio has also served as a coach in the Rockville Centre Little League, RVC Soccer Club, and the RVC Basketball League.



Trustee Katie Conlon was elected to her first term in June 2021. Born and raised in Rockville Centre, Katie graduated from South Side High School before going on to receive her bachelor's degree from

Villanova University and master's degree from New York University. For nearly 15 years, she worked as a registered nurse and nurse practitioner at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center in New York City before her current job position as the school nurse at Oceanside High School. Katie has volunteered with various organizations throughout the community, such as the Rockville Centre Mercy League, Hewitt PTA, and coaching in both the Rockville Centre Soccer Club and St. Agnes CYO. As Village Trustee, Katie serves as liaison to numerous Village departments, the largest being the Department of Public Works. Katie and her husband, Kieran, have three children

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## **New Local Laws in 2022**

Local laws are adopted throughout the year by the Village Board after legally noticed public hearings.

#### Local Law 7 - 2022

A local law to amend the Code of the Village of Rockville Centre in relation to income eligibility for certain property tax exemptions.

### Local Law 6 - 2022

A local law to amend the Code of the Village of Rockville Centre, to authorize the use of videoconferencing for public bodies.

#### Local Law 5 - 2022

A local law to amend the Code of the Village of Rockville Centre, in relation to the use of "best value" purchasing.

#### Local Law 4 - 2022

A local law extending the duration of the provisions of Village Code Chapter 287 authorizing outdoor dining permits.

#### Local Law 3 - 2022

A local law to amend the Code of the Village of Rockville Centre in relation to purchasing goods on the basis of best value.

#### Local Law 2 - 2022

A local law to re-adopt and affirm provisions of the Code of the Village of Rockville Centre in relation to minimum required lot size and street frontage.

#### Local Law 1 - 2022

A local law to amend the Code of the Village of Rockville Centre in relation to the definition of illuminated signs.

All local laws are available online at www.rvcny.gov



# Village Justice Court

he Rockville Centre Village Court has jurisdiction over the enforcement of local laws, including parking tickets, zoning code violations and New York State vehicle and traffic offenses committed within the Village boundaries. It is one of the busiest village courts in the state, handling more than 30,000 cases annually. Over the years, our Court staff has been able to secure a number of grants from the NYS Unified Court System to make improvements to update the efficiency and security of the Village's court system in order to better serve the public.

William J. Croutier was re-elected to his fourth term in 2019. He has served as a Special Prosecutor for Rockville Centre and as a Deputy Village Attorney. He is a member of numerous professional associations and has been a lecturer for the Nassau County and New York State Bar Associations. He served as the Chairman of both the Rockville Centre We Care September 11th Committee and the Rockville Centre September 11th Memorial Committee. Judge Croutier is now the Past President for the Nassau County Magistrates Association Inc..

Judge McDonough was re-elected to his fourth term in June 2021. Before first being elected in 2009, he served as a Deputy Village Attorney for nine years. Judge McDonough is a member of the Board of Directors and a Past President of the Nassau County Magistrates Association. Additionally, Judge McDonough is a member of the New York State Bar Association and the National Association of College and University Attorneys. He is a past President of the Friends of Senior Services, Inc. for the RVC Sandel Senior Center and served for many years as a volunteer legal counsel to the RVC St. Patrick's Parade. Prior to becoming an attorney Judge McDonough served in the U.S. Army attaining the rank of Captain. He is a partner in the Garden City law firm of Cullen and Dykman LLP.

Attorneys serve as deputies to the Village Attorney to prosecute cases in Village Court. The deputies are Susan Boland, Charles Lapp III, Jennifer Milone, David Shargel, Matthew Geyer, and Joseph Muscarella. Mindy Roman serves as Chief Village Prosecutor and Special Prosecutor for Village Ordinances. Michelle Gola serves as Clerk to the Village Justice. Normally the Court is in session on the first Tuesday of every month and Thursday evenings by appointment at Village Hall, and the Court Clerk's office is open weekdays 8am to 3:30pm to accept payment of fines and provide information about cases. The Court can be contacted by phone at 678-9233 or email at rvccourt@rvcny.us to provide information about cases.

## Rockville Centre Pays Tribute on Memorial Day

Residents lined the streets and welcomed back the annual 2022 Memorial Day Parade led by Grand Marshal and World War II veteran Herb Rosenberg. Following the annual parade, a ceremony at Veterans Park was held to honor those who have made the ultimate sacrifice while serving our country.

"In a time when we search for heroes, all we need to do is remember the bravery of these extraordinary men and women," Mayor Francis Murray said. "As Americans, we need to continue to preserve, protect, and value the freedom and peace these men and women fought to preserve just for us."



# **Citizen Service**

## **Boards and Commissions**

The Village has a number of Boards and commissions whose members are Rockville Centre residents appointed by the Mayor with the consent of the Board of Trustees.

## **Board of Zoning Appeals**

The five members of the Board of Zoning Appeals decide on commercial and residential applications for variances from the Zoning Code and have jurisdiction over some special use permits as described in the Code. The Board usually holds public hearings one or two Wednesday evenings per month in Village Hall, depending on the number of cases. Members normally serve five-year terms. The current Board members include: Chair J. Robert Schenone, Dona Brown, Joseph Kelly, Sal Romanello, Gregory P. Shaughnessy and Jack Matthews, Esq. serves as counsel to the board and Rockville Centre Building Department Superintendent Patrick O'Brien is the Secretary.

## **Human Rights Commission**

Members of the Human Rights Commission are appointed for one-year terms. The current members include: Father Michael Duffy of St. Agnes, Rabbi David J. Lerner of Temple B'nai Sholom-Beth David, Rev. Scott Ressman of the United Church, Michael Smyth, and Ellen Grossman.

## **Board of Ethics**

Members of the Board of Ethics are also appointed to one-year terms. Members include: Rabbi Michael G. Cohen, Martha Krisel, John Thorp, Michael Sepe, Pastor Joe Quagliata, Debra Pandolfo, Nancy Travers, and Reverend Herman Washington. Kenneth C. Murphy, Esq. is counsel to the Board.

## **Planning Board**

The five members of the Planning Board meet regularly to consider questions of land use. The Planning Board also conducts subdivision review as well as site plan review, exterior design review, and special use permit hearings on certain nonresidential projects. Members are also appointed to five-year terms. The current members include: Chair Donna Joyce, Maria E. Meyer, Susan Quilty, Andrew

Cameron, and Matthew DiDora. Counsel to the Planning Board is Kenneth (Casey) C. Murphy. The Secretary to the Planning Board is the Building Department Superintendent Patrick O'Brien.

## **Housing Authority Board**

The Mayor appoints five members that direct the affairs of the Rockville Centre Housing Authority. The Authority operates a 164-unit low-income complex on Old Mill Court and a 50-unit apartment building at 579 Merrick Road for low-income seniors. The appointees serve five-year terms. The current members include: Vincent Bohn, Thomas Gallucci, Robert Pagnotta, and John Tomaszewski.

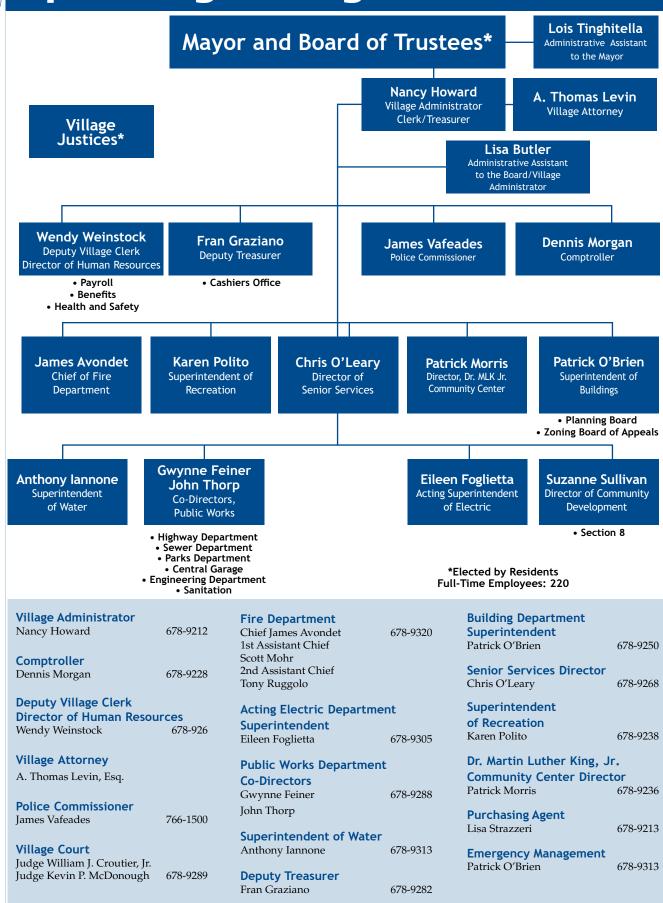
## Community Development Advisory Committee

The Committee reviews proposals from various organizations for spending federal community development block grant funds and makes recommendations to the Village Board of Trustees. The current members include: Chair Ellen Grossman, Dona Brown, Janice Burke, Bridget Caulfield, Brian Croutier, Thomas A. Glynn, Thomas Hodge, Gregory F. Rinn, Sue Roth, Dana Sanneman, Ramona Valez, and Jeanie Waters.





# **Operating Management**



## **Village Services**

## Village of Rockville Centre Mission Statement

It is the mission of the Village of Rockville Centre to provide reliable, high-quality, cost-efficient services to the community in a courteous and professional manner.

## Village Administrator Nancy Howard 678-9212

The Village Administrator supervises 19 departments, advises the Board of Trustees on municipal operations, and makes recommendations on public policy.

The Administrator is responsible for all operations, including trash disposal, snow removal, road repaving and the electric and water utilities as well as police, fire and emergency response, parks and recreation, senior services and specials events. The Administrator is also responsible for employee training and development, computer and information services, maintaining the Village's archives, the administration of federal funds that subsidize community development and low-income tenants, and liaison with constituencies like the business community, sports organizations, and the public and parochial schools.

## Village Comptroller Dennis Morgan 678-9228

The Village Comptroller is responsible for the preparation and implementation of the annual operating budget, for the sale of bonds to finance capital projects, and for advising the Board of Trustees about the general financial condition of the Village. The Department also supervises the Purchasing Department.

## **Information Technology**

The Information Technology Department operates a sophisticated communications and information network that has streamlined Village operations in all departments. It is also responsible for programming the Swift911 emergency message system and for operation of the Village's cable channel and website.

#### **Rockville Centre Remembers**

Neighbors and friends gathered at a candlelight ceremony in memory of the 49 community members whose lives were lost as a result of the attacks on September 11, 2001, as well as the countless others who have died in the aftermath.

"Over two decades later, we continue to gather together, in solidarity and heartbreak, to pay our respects and to ensure that we remember each and every life that we lost so that our present and future generations shall never forget. May we continue to give strength and comfort to our friends and neighbors impacted by the horrific and still unfathomable events that occurred 21 years ago," Mayor Francis X. Murray said at the ceremony.

Nearly 3,000 flags were placed at the Village Green honoring each victim of the attacks. All of the names of Rockville Centre residents killed as a result of the attacks are inscribed on the memorial and were read aloud

Mayor Murray and the Village of Rockville Centre Board of Trustees announced that applications are now available for families to add the names of loved ones to the Village 9/11 memorial who succumbed in their battle against 9/11 related cancers and illnesses. The names of our fallen residents will be inscribed on the Village of Rockville Centre's 9/11 memorial along with the 49 residents lost that day.

"The events of 9/11 continue to wreak havoc on our first responders and survivors," commented Mayor Francis X. Murray. "We know that a growing number of firefighters, police officers, tradesmen, downtown workers, students and so many others have gotten sick or died from illnesses related to the toxins in the dust from the burning buildings. Our Village pledges to never forget our residents we lost that day and the days following the attack. We want to ensure that our families have a place to go and grieve with their fellow neighbors."







# Fire Department Chief James Avondet 1st Assistant Chief Scott Mohr 2nd Assistant Chief Tony Rugolo 678-9320

During 2022, the Rockville Centre Volunteer Fire Department answered the challenges faced by all our Village residents and businesses. Under the command of Chief James Avondet, First Assistant Chief Scott Mohr, and Second Assistant Chief Tony Rugolo the Rockville Centre Fire Department responded to over 3,400 emergency calls for assistance from the residents and businesses of Rockville Centre during 2022.

Volunteers answered over 1,000 alarms of reported fire, which included 196 automatic alarms, 300 commercial automatic alarms, 21 multiple dwelling automatic alarms, 74 carbon monoxide alarms, five with aided, internal pull boxes, 59 odor of burning alarms, five rubbish fires, five car fires, two truck fires, oil spills, 40 natural gas inside, 18 natural gas outside, and other hazardous conditions. The Department also responded to over 2,000 ambulance calls, 140 automobile accidents, two vehicles into buildings, providing medical care and assistance, eight accidents with extracting victims from mangled vehicles, five vehicles on fire, and two overturned vehicles.

Providing safe and effective aid requires countless hours of specialized training and certification from County and State regulating agencies, as well as additional training for incident scenarios. Practicing techniques and team response to various situations, provides optimum response in emergencies where every second is critical. Members train for all types of emergencies. Wire and transformer fires, oil burners, elevator rescues, gas and propane leaks, confined space rescues—staying up to date with new technologies such as electric cars and solar panels.

The Fire Department continued our regular fire inspections and safety presentations to the community.

The greatest volume of alarms the Department responds to are medical in nature. Medically trained Department personnel provide emergency pre-hospital care to victims of stroke, heart attack, seizure, difficulty breathing, allergic reaction, overdose, fractures and sprains, lacerations, burns, concussions, medical alerts, people in pain and more. Last year, department personnel were responsible for reviving five residents who were in full cardiac arrest. In 2022, the Department responded to 2,358 medical alarms. In addition to our alarms, the Department responded to 39 mutual aid alarms where the Department assisted neighboring communities with their emergencies.

Chief Avondet and both Assistant Chiefs continue efforts toward the recruitment and retention of members in order to provide the community with the excellence and professionalism our all-volunteer Department provides.





Seven fire companies, Eureka Hook, Ladder and Bucket Company, Live Oak Engine Company 1, Defender Hose Company 1, Alert Engine and Hose Company 2, Reliance Hose Company 3, Woodland Engine Company 4, and Floodlight Rescue Company 1, located in five firehouses across Rockville Centre, make up the Rockville Centre Fire Department. Additionally, members serve on the Fire Police squad, protecting members by directing traffic at fire scenes and traffic accidents. There are presently 323 members of the Department and—looking to the future—there are 20 Junior Firefighters.

Each fire company dedicates at least one night per week to in-house training. The training includes reviewing proper engine, truck and rescue operations, forcible entry, mask confidence, repelling, hazardous materials, medical refreshers, pump operations, ladder operations, rescue operations, vehicle extrication, scene size-up and safety and review of preplans. Additionally, each company spends nights at the Nassau County Fire Service Academy (NCFSA) engaged in numerous advanced operations. The Department's performance is then critiqued by NCFSA staff highlighting performance excellence and discussing deficiencies. Members also attend numerous

additional courses offered by the NCFSA. Every Sunday morning, each company maintains their equipment, their vehicles and firehouses. Members also volunteer to serve on numerous Department committees including the Planning Committee (oversees capital budgeting), Board of Instruction Committee (responsible for all Department training), Finance Committee (responsible for preparing and overseeing the Department's operating budget), Alarm Committee (responsible for repair and maintenance of alarm pagers and providing alarm dispatching) and the Safety Committee (responsible for providing guidance on requirements for safe operations). Fire prevention, as mentioned above, is staffed entirely by volunteer firefighters. For additional information, please call (516) 678-9254 or visit www.rvcfd.org.



# **Police Department**Commissioner James Vafeades 766-1500

The Rockville Centre Police Department proudly serves the Village residents with fifty-eight sworn police members that are supported by nine full-time and twenty-seven part-time civilians. Records management personnel, dispatchers, neighborhood aides, and school crossing guards make up our nonsworn civilian staff.

Our department prides itself on being one of the most highly trained police departments in the country. Our officers trained more than three thousand hours over the course of the year. Emergency vehicle operation, drug and alcohol recognition, active shooter response, gang awareness, narcotics enforcement, emergency medical care to include CPR and Narcan are just some examples of the training that they undergo. The department qualifies every officer annually on marksmanship on their handguns and patrol rifles and has an extensive tactical firearms training program.

Training is an important aspect to meeting accreditation standards. Accreditation is a progressive and contemporary way of helping police agencies evaluate and improve their overall performance. The Accreditation Program is run by the New York State Division of Criminal Justice and is comprised of a set of standards developed to further enhance the capabilities of an agency. The Rockville Centre Police Department met or exceeded the requirements of one hundred ten different standards and is one of only three agencies that are accredited in Nassau County. We are looking forward to our re-accreditation in January 2023.

Major crime continues to decline, and the Village of Rockville Centre remains one of the safest places to live in New York State. The police department's traffic enforcement efforts will continue to increase with the utilization of license plate readers throughout the Village. These license plate readers help to identify vehicles with suspended or revoked registrations and wanted or missing persons; additionally, they assist in locating vehicles involved in criminal activity.

In 2022, the RVCPD continued its excellent working

relationship with the Rockville Centre School District. The partnership that exists between the local police and the school district exhibits a cooperation that is uncommon and makes the Village of Rockville Centre and its residents the envy of other Villages and towns on Long Island. The department takes an active role with the Rockville Centre Coalition for Youth and the Youth Council, which assists in the education, awareness, and informational programs that the department offers. Our police officers also conduct random walkthroughs in each school, every day. It is this type of cooperative, working partnership that is enjoyed between our schools and police. The RVCPD looks forward to furthering our relationship with your schools over the next year.

In 2022, our department moved into our new headquarters located at 142 Maple Avenue. We had a ribbon cutting and open house where residents were able to see firsthand the technology and safety measures employed at the new facility. We're hoping that the rich tradition and history of Rockville Centre and our department will live on in this building for many decades.

The challenges presented to our department by the pandemic stretched our resources to the fullest, but the officers of the department will continue to respond in a safe, professional manner while always keeping the welfare of our residents as their first priority. We have put safety protocols in place when necessary and these protocols have helped keep our officers safe and, in doing so, help to keep our community safe.

It is our goal to keep the safety of our residents and officers in place, and to do whatever we can to make Rockville Centre a better place to live, work, and play in 2023.









## **Building Department** Superintendent Patrick O'Brien 678-9250

The Rockville Centre Department of Buildings reviews and issues permits for Residential and Commercial construction projects, certificates of occupancy and/or letters of completion.

The Building Department inspects licensed work, conducts life safety inspections, investigates complaints of violations of Village and New York State Codes, and determines whether building permit applications may be granted or if they are required to be directed to the Planning Board for site plan review, special use permits, or subdivision review or to the Zoning Board for zoning code variance requests as well as Exterior Design Review for those property owners improving and enhancing their respective homes and businesses. Major improvements planned to advance, are reviewed by Zoning, Planning or Exterior Design Review Board approvals.

Our Certified NYS Code Enforcement Officers are fully trained and maintain compliance with the most recent NYS code change adoptions and continue to participate in the mandated annual in-service training requirements; as approved by the NYS Department of State, Division of Building Standards and Codes.

During the calendar year of 2022, the Building

Department approved more than 3,000 Commercial and Residential building permits, plumbing permits, electric permits, fuel gas permits, and property maintenance inspections. This is to provide a safe environment in the build community; in a continued effort to become ambassadors as "First Preventers" in protecting life and property, as recognized by The New York State Department of Building Standards and Codes, The New York State Building Officials Conference, and The International Code Council.

The Building Department maintains a contract with Seery Systems Group Inc. to store and digitized 85,000 permit files. This system allows for the preservation of aging files and gives the Village the ability to recall files electronically.

Through a photo ID system, the Building Department officially licensed 297 Electricians and 135 Plumbers. They received photo ID cards upon issuance and/or renewal of a license.

The Building Department has reviewed and permitted numerous Commercial and Residential construction projects with an estimated construction cost of more than \$384 million dollars.

The Building Department currently has one Superintendent, one Deputy Superintendent, two full-time Building Inspectors, two part-time Building Inspector, as well as two full-time and one part-time Clerk.



# Electric Department Acting Superintendent, Eileen Foglietta (516) 678-9294

The Village of Rockville Centre is one of three communities on Long Island to operate an Electric Utility that provides residents with advantages in cost and reliability. Outages are infrequent, normally brief in duration and the average cost of a kilowatt hour for residential customers is about (40%) forty percent less than PSEG (LIPA).

The Village gets approximately two thirds of our energy from a Long-Term Hydro Power Purchase Agreement with the New York Power Authority. The Village also purchases power from the New York Independent System Operator's (NY-ISO) wholesale power market in addition to running local generation to meet summer peaks. Local generation also provides power during storms, other emergencies or when the PSEG Transmission Lines come out of service for maintenance.

Annual engine maintenance is performed to ensure summer peak or emergency readiness. Tune-ups on Engines 9 & 10 were completed during the summer. A new controls system for Engine 14 has been designed and will be installed in the 2nd quarter of 2023.

The Village is in the process of upgrading the underground distribution system to improve system-wide reliance and resiliency. Several underground manhole utility vaults were repaired over the year. Outdated underground equipment is being replaced with modern technology to minimize emergency outages and reduce repair time when an outage occurs.

A new two-port Level 2 electric charging station was installed in the parking lot adjacent to 110 Maple Avenue in March 2022 for public use.

As conservation efforts continue to be on the utility forefront, 2022 proved to be an active year for the Rockville Centre Peak Savers Program, processing qualifying rebates to customers that make energy efficiency upgrades to their homes and businesses. Enrollments for the Demand Response Program from Jan. 1 – Dec. 31 increase by 27 eligible for a total of 125 smart thermostats

that currently contribute to peak load demand reduction during summer months. Residents and business owners may participate in the DSM program if they have an active central air conditioning unit(s) controlled by Nest, Honeywell, or Emerson wi-fi smart thermostats.

Quarter 4 increased energy savings efforts with the newly implemented Rockville Centre Appliance Rebates Program for residential and commercial customers totaling 17 individual measure enrollments for qualifying ENERGY STAR® rated equipment. Non-residential rebate programs include the Custom Program which evaluates and processes incentives for non-prescriptive measures and the Commercial Lighting program which benefits small businesses who complete energy efficient lighting upgrades. All our rebate programs improve our green footprint.



Pictured is a new charging stations recently installed for Village vehicles.



Crews work diligently to install part of the new circuit to Mount Sinai South Nassau.



Dedicated crews are on call to ensure power is delivered to customers throughout the Village.





# Public Works Co-Directors Gwynne Feiner & John Thorp 678-9288

The Department of Public Works manages the infrastructure system within the Village of Rockville Centre. This includes such duties as maintaining the streets, clearing roadways of snow, removal of garbage and recyclables, supervision of parks, maintaining the sewer systems and much more. The department directs six areas that provide these services including Highway, Sewer, Sanitation, Central Garage, Parks, and Engineering. The Department of Public Works Staff is involved in all Special Events throughout the Village including the annual Fireworks Show and the St. Patrick's and Memorial Day parades.

#### **Highway**

Highway is responsible for maintaining Village roadways, parking fields, signs, parking meters and consoles. The Highway Department coordinates snow removal throughout the Village. They oversee the tree planting program and are also responsible for watering the downtown flower baskets and flower barrels.

#### Sewer

The Sewer Department maintains the sanitary and storm sewer systems throughout the Village. They are responsible for maintaining the two Village pump stations. The Sewer department works to clean every main line sewer pipe in the residential and downtown areas.

#### **Sanitation**

Sanitation collects garbage and recycling from resident's homes and businesses throughout the Village. Sanitation operates the Transfer Station and the E-Cycling program

#### **Central Garage**

The Central Garage plays a vital role in the delivery of essential municipal services. The garage is responsible for maintaining all the 200 plus Village vehicles and machinery.

#### **Parks**

The Parks Department oversees the use of all fields, including the John A. Darcy lacrosse and Peter Bralower soccer fields, as well as the Bob Klein softball field at the Rockville Centre Sports Complex on Peninsula



Boulevard; the Recreation Center playground and fields, seven baseball fields, outdoor basketball courts, Tighe soccer field and a children's playground at Lister / Centennial Park; and a Little League / softball field, basketball court and paddle ball wall at Hickey Field on Sunrise Highway; Reverend Morgan Days Park and playground, Bligh/Ketler Field, Barasch/Pette Field and several other passive parks, notably the Peter F. Brady Village Green.

#### **Engineering**

The Engineering Department performs planning, specification and inspection of the road program and major construction projects in the Village. In 2022, 1.01 miles of roads were paved, and water mains replaced. The Engineering Department continues to oversee the Living with the Bay Project, a \$125 million-dollar project funded by HUD and managed by the Governor's Office of Resilient Homes and Communities. This project's purpose is to increase resiliency of communities along Mill River by mitigating damage from storm surges; managing stormwater to mitigate damages from common rain events; improving habitat and water quality; and increasing access to Mill River throughout both educational and increased recreational opportunities. Upgrades can be seen around Smith Pond and in the Reverend Morgan Days Park and around Mill River and in Lister Park.





Local students showed their appreciation to DPW crews with handmade cards.

DPW crews have worked diligently during the year to make improvements throughout the Village.

## Water Department Superintendent of Water Anthony Iannone 678-9313

The Rockville Centre Water Department provides water from 10 wells located throughout the village. The water is stored in four elevated tanks with a combined capacity of 4 million gallons and is distributed through more than 70 miles of water main. The Water Department continually monitors and samples the water by dedicated and NYS licensed treatment operators to ensure residents are drinking and using water that is clean, safe, and meets or exceeds all health standards by Federal, State, and County regulations. Independent, state-certified laboratories are used to test and ensure the quality of our drinking water. The Water Department operates

two state-of-the-art iron removal plants that remove the naturally occurring iron from the water before it enters the distribution system.

The Village Water Department continues to plan infrastructure upgrades to the existing system, including upcoming projects of water main replacement and well maintenance. These projects are essential to provide an infrastructure capable of meeting the needs of today as well as the future needs of the Village. In 2022, the Water Department replaced over 5,000 feet of water main and replaced 15 fire hydrants, along with the service connections as part of the Annual Road Program. The department is currently rebuilding well 4B pumphouse and making upgrades and improvements to well 1A to ensure a reliable and safe water to residents.



## Village Goes Green for Returned St. Patrick's Parade

After a two-year hiatus due to Covid, the "Parade that Shares and Cares" returned to Maple Avenue with hundreds of spectators. Grand Marshal Ellen White led the 25th Rockville Centre St. Patrick's Parade that had organizations and groups from across Nassau County and New York City march on behalf of three worthy charities; the Rockville Centre Breast Cancer Coalition, the Army Ranger Lead the Way Fund, and the Holy Family School for the Deaf. Since the parade's inception in 1997, over \$1.32 million has been distributed to 70 individual Charities.





## Recreation Department Superintendent Karen Polito 678-9238

The Recreation Department offers many popular programs, classes, and activities for all ages at the John A. Anderson Recreation Center/Anthony T. Brunetta Pavilion on North Oceanside Road under the direction of Superintendent Karen Polito. One may visit on any day of the week and be amazed at the variety of activities that take place at the Recreation Center. Seven days a week, people of all ages utilize our facility which includes two gymnasiums, four nursery classrooms, an auditorium, meeting rooms, a passive park and soccer field.

Our children's park features state of the art playground apparatus and a splash pad water play area. Inside the building, toddlers tumbling in the gym, nursery teachers introducing letters and sounds, guests attending our ever-popular birthday parties and basketball players sinking a three-pointer at the buzzer. Adults are partaking in the fastest growing sport in the country-pickleball! In the evening, one could see handlers working their dogs through obedience training, fitness gurus chugging through their cardio workout, as well as teens studying in a SAT prep course.

The Recreation Department is always open to ideas and suggestions for new programs and services. Residents may register for programs and activities online at RockvilleCentre.RecDesk.com. Thank you for continuing to visit us at the Recreation Center.





## Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. **Community Center Director Patrick Morris** 678-9236

The Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center offers a wide array of activities and programs located at 150 North Centre Avenue. Open Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., the MLK Community Center serves as a vibrant neighborhood-gathering place that strives to provide residents of Rockville Centre with the tools and knowledge to support their dreams.

The MLK Community Center has established innovative programming to meet the ever-evolving needs of those within our community. Every Friday morning the doors are opened to its newly established food pantry. Many of the programs offered provide children with a safe environment where they can learn and grow including tutoring, mentoring, cooking, and employment training. A variety of activities are also available to remind our youth about the importance of health and fitness including basketball, yoga, dodgeball, dance, and martial arts.

Open to boys and girls in grades one through six, the game room features air hockey, video games, board games, movies, and foosball. Throughout the year, the MLK Community Center plans educational and cultural trips for all to enjoy. MLK Summer Program is open to boys and girls from four to 12 years of age featuring a variety of activities.

Newly renovated dance studio with mirrors, a fully functioning Library and Fitness Center with weight for strength and cardio are great additions to the MLK



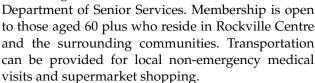






# Senior Services Director Chris O'Leary Deputy Director Nancy Codispoti

The Sandel Center is part of the Village of Rockville Centre



The return to normal took place at the Sandel Senior Center in 2022. Members attend a variety of educational classes, art, Mah-Jongg, sign language and writing. The exercise classes take place in larger rooms with more members working out. 2022 was also the return of favorites, Center Stage had their first concert in the spring and the Intergenerational Committee met for the first time in three years. Special events such as birthday brunch and the 46th anniversary party had up to 120 members attending.

The Sandel Center has an onsite licensed clinical Social Worker whose services are available to Sandel Center members as well as to the Rockville Centre community. The Social Worker can assist with Medicare, Medicaid, food stamps, Able Ride, EPIC and other benefit programs available. Confidential short-term counseling for those experiencing personal problems such as stress, loss, depression, isolation,



Dale Friedler, Sheila Shear, Joan Hines and Terry Conforti celebrating the Sandel Center. Terry Conforti and Fran Kaplan hit the dance floor at the 46th anniversary of the Sandel Center.



Gardening club members, Claire Kirkwood, Marie Murphy, Liz Barnett, Marianne Friedermann keep the Sandel Center looking beautiful all year long.

and family issues is also available by appointment. To contact the Social Worker please call (516) 536-1162.

The Sandel Center has many volunteer programs that take place at the center and community wide. The Senior Concerns committee is active in holding food, coat, socks, and school supply drives throughout the year. This committee also writes letters and cards to send to our troops.

Sandel membership is open to those aged 60+ who reside in Rockville Centre and the surrounding communities. To become a member please call 516-678-9350 or visit our page on the Village website at www.rvcny.gov

Important Phone numbers: Sandel Center 678-9245 Director 678-9286 Social Work 526-1162 Transportation 766-1266



Andrea LaCava, Diane Griffin and Marge DePhillips learning the life-saving skill, CPR.



Members always enjoy time at the monthly birthday brunches. Each celebration features delicious food and entertainment.



Celebrating Thanksgiving with friends



Celebrating Oktoberfest with dancing and a traditional meal of sauerbraten, potato dumplings and cabbage.



The Sandel's social work intern, Kristi Mercado, who is a senior at Adelphi University working towards her bachelor's degree in social work, developed a four-week American Sign Language course for the members. Kristi is teaching the alphabet and how to communicate basic information.





Return of the Intergenerational Committee.



# Emergency Management Patrick O'Brien 678-9313

The Emergency Management team is responsible for disaster preparedness including mitigation, response and recovery.

Following National Incident Management System protocols; the Village Administration, Police and Fire Departments as well as Village Department Heads meet periodically before, during and after the impending storms and events to assure that all aspects of safety are met, while continuously consulting with County, State and Federal emergency officials on the most up to date information and training available.

The Emergency Management team is always on the ready to meet any challenge with professional staffers working around the clock answering phones, reporting outages and downed trees, preparing emergency

notification, performing in the field evaluations and fielding questions from concerned residents.

It is recommended that you visit the Village website at www.rvcny.gov to learn of the many tips and instructions that the Village and other agencies offer in the event of an emergency including but not limited to having a "to-go" bag on the ready with your personal papers, medications and other valuable information you may need in the event of a mandated evacuation or relocation.

Additionally, residents and business entities are encouraged to register with the Village "Swift 911" program which will keep you informed in the event of an emergency via your cell phone and/or home phone. Residents can register on the Village website at www. rvcny.gov and be kept up to date with the latest information available on the Villages website, Facebook and Twitter pages.

## Rockville Centre Celebrates 34TH Year as Tree City USA

The Village of Rockville Centre has been recognized as a "Tree City USA" for the past 34 years from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Division of Lands and Forests. The Tree City USA program is a national program that provides the framework for community forestry management for cities and towns across America.

To celebrate this achievement and Arbor Day, Trustee Katie Conlon and members of our Department of Public Works joined with Boy Scout Troop 40 at the Village Green to plant a tree and shrubs. In addition, Mayor Francis X. Murray helped plant a Red Maple tree on Morris Avenue. "Trees and green spaces are an important part of Rockville Centre," commented Mayor Francis X. Murray. "We will continue to play our part and continue to plant because we know that means less pollution, walkable neighborhoods, and community pride in our Village."





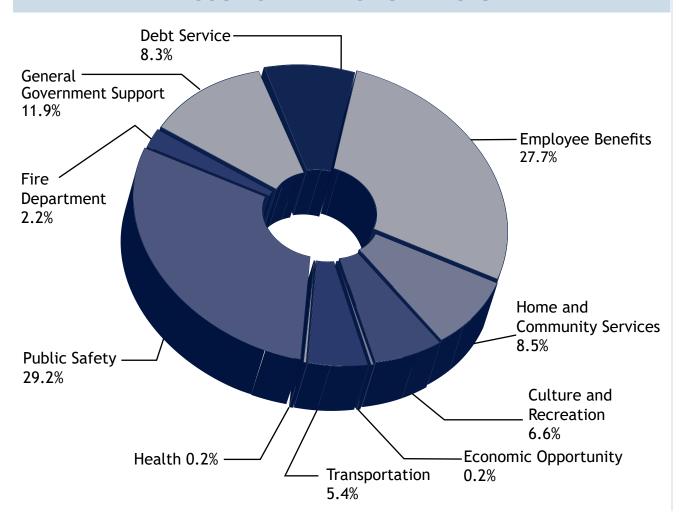
# Financial Review Fiscal Year 2022



## Fiscal Year June 1, 2021 to May 31, 2022 GENERAL FUND ANALYSIS OF FUND BALANCE

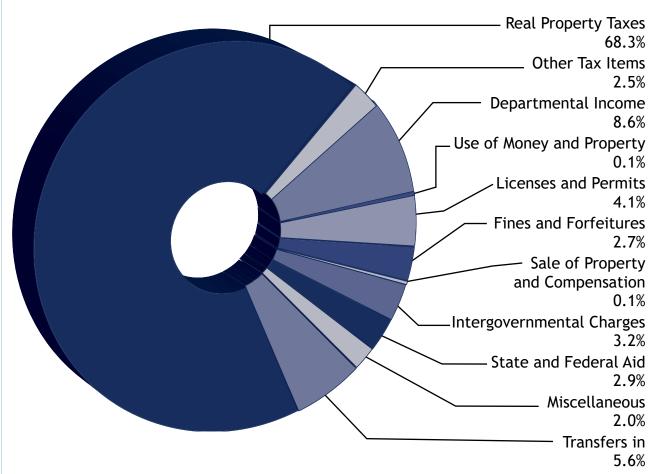
	FY 2022
Fund Balance - Beginning of FY	\$ 11,514,507
Restatement of prior period amounts	979,089
Revenues	48,415,333
Expenditures	(45,027,568)
Fund Balance - End of FY	15,881,361
Other Assigned Amounts	(618,332)
Restricted Amounts	(1,685,351)
Total Fund Balance Available For	
Appropriation to Next FY Budget	13,577,678
Unappropriated Fund Balance	\$ 13,577,678

## **COST OF VILLAGE SERVICES**





## **SOURCE OF VILLAGE REVENUES**



## **REVENUES STATEMENT**

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	FY 2022	Estimated FY 2023
Real Property Taxes	\$ 33,079,620	\$ 33,851,833
Other Tax Items	1,194,552	1,126,750
Department Income	4,175,585	3,661,100
Use of Money and Property	49,597	35,000
Licenses and Permits	1,962,448	1,510,000
Fines and Forfeitures	1,301,359	1,115,000
Sale of Property and Compensation	27,845	16,000
Intergovernmental Charges	1,559,294	1,995,000
State and Federal Aid	1,403,081	1,003,671
Miscellaneous	960,137	780,000
Transfers in	2,701,815	2,569,000
Total	\$ 48,415,333	\$ 47,663,354

## **SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES**

	Estimated			
	FY 2022	FY 2023		
<b>General Government Support</b>				
Board of Trustees	\$ 129,948	\$ 139,837		
Village Justice	240,800	287,002		
Mayor	159,121	172,237		
Comptroller	526,227	619,492		
Clerk-Treasurer	470,706	561,101		
Deputy Treasurer	585,408	654,133		
Professional Services	507,797	700,000		
Purchasing	171,575	181,404		
Personnel	465,667	504,793		
Elections	4,938	8,000		
Central Garage	845,984	994,327		
Data Processing	297,134	547,981		
Municipal Association Dues	8,225	20,000		
General Administration	29,162	75,000		
COVID-19	,			
Real Estate Tax Refunds	347,722	850,000		
MTA Tax	70,742	75,000		
Insurance Contributions	500,000	600,000		
Total	\$ 5,361,154	\$ 6,990,307		
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Public Safety				
Police Civilian	\$ 882,188	\$ 1,019,155		
Police	11,379,756	9,983,406		
Parking Meters	204,218	261,000		
Safety Inspection	656,521	742,167		
Civil Defense	10,167	15,250		
Total	\$ 13,132,850	\$ 12,020,978		
Fire Prevention				
Fire Department	\$ 978,829	\$ 1,186,500		
Fire Service Award	21,733	350,000		
Fire Prevention	0	6,500		
Total	\$ 1,000,562	\$ 1,543,000		
Health				
Registrar of Vital Statistics	\$ 68,764	\$ 73,618		
Total	\$ 68,764	\$ 73,618		
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Transportation	<b>.</b>			
Street Administration	\$ 656,315.45	\$ 804,486		
Street Maintenance	1,083,093.71	1,280,480		
Snow Removal	99,612.21	284,500		
Street Lighting	567,536.76	550,000		
Sidewalks	18,083.53	86,000		
Total	\$ <u>2,424,642</u>	\$ 3,005,466		



## **SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES**

	FY 2022	Estimated FY 2023
<b>Economic Opportunity and Develo</b>	pment	
Publicity Reports	\$ 76,839	\$ 110,000
Total	\$ 76,839	\$ 110,000
<b>Culture and Recreation</b>		
Parks	\$ 829,825	\$ 957,339
Recreation	1,282,818	1,508,645
Community Center	75,194	110,100
Senior Services	730,097.00	981,581
Celebrations	0	45,000
Total	\$ 2,917,934	\$ 3,602,665
<b>Home and Community Services</b>		
Zoning	\$ 31,881	\$ 37,500
Planning	8,747	18,350
Sanitary Sewers	366,091	579,266
Refuse Collection	3,266,777	3,514,576
Board of Architectural Review	11,000	3,000
Storm Sewers	121,321	175,548
Emergency Tenant Protection	14,740	15,000
Total	\$ 3,820,556	\$ 4,343,240
<b>Employee Benefits</b>		
State Retirement	1,357,661	1,321,600
Police Retirement	2,497,612	2,600,000
Social Security	1,333,920	1,593,798
Workers' Compensation	840,000	850,000
Workers' Compensation Fire Dept	0	100,000
Health Insurance	6,438,883	7,270,000
Total	\$ 12,468,075	\$ 13,735,398
<b>Debt Service</b>		
Debt Service	\$ 3,756,192	\$ 3,088,680
Total	\$ 3,756,192	\$ 3,088,680
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 45,027,568	\$ 48,513,352

## **GENERAL FUND BALANCE SHEET**



Cash		
Cash and Equivalents	\$	18,299,525
Service Award Program Assets	Ψ	301,109
Taxes Receivable:		
Receivables, Net of Allowance for Uncollectible Taxes		153,023
Other Receivables:		
Accounts, Net of Allowance for Uncollectible Amounts		91,412
State and Federal Aid		140,534
Due from Other Funds		3,149,301
Due from Other Governments		304,795
Prepaid expenses		114,922
Total Assets	\$	22,554,621
Liabilities and Fund Balance		
Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable		3,802,496
Accrued Liabilities		2,129,548
Due to Other Governments		0
Customer Deposits		571,123
Due to Other Funds		92,480
Deferred Revenues		77,613
Total Liabilities	\$	6,673,260
Fund Balance:		
Nonspendable	\$	114,922
Restricted		1,570,429
Other Assigned Amounts		618,332
Unassigned		13,577,678
Total Fund Balance	\$	15,881,361
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$	22,554,621



## **PUBLIC UTILITIES**

# Statement of Revenues and Expenses For the Year Ended May 31, 2022

		Water		Electric		Total
Operating Revenues:						
Metered Sales	\$ 6	5,141,381	\$	30,100,971	\$	36,242,352
Penalty Income		-		-		-
Miscellaneous		70,728		167,996		238,724
Grant Revenue			_		_	
Total Operating Revenues	\$ 6	5,212,109	<u>\$</u>	30,268,967	\$_	36,481,076
Operating Expenses:						
Purchased Power				15,857,327		15,857,327
Depreciation	1	,367,896		1,478,069		2,845,965
Personnel Services		740,084		3,162,514		3,902,598
Services, supplies, and operations	1	,485,744		2,793,765		4,279,509
Transportation and Building Services				190,930		190,930
General and Administrative				105,332		105,332
Employee Benefits		328,394		1,804,551		2,132,945
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 3	3,922,118	\$	25,392,488	\$_	29,314,606
Operating Income / (Loss)	\$ 2	2,289,991	<b>\$</b>	4,876,479	<b>\$</b> _	7,166,470
Non-Operating Revenue (Expenses):						
Federal and State Grants				407,529		407,529
Other Income		7,225		9,321		16,546
Loss on sale of assets		(14,046)		(199,126)		(213,172)
Interest Expense	(	(468,885)		(274,198)	_	(743,083)
Total Non-Operating					_	
Revenues (Expenses)	<b>\$</b> (	475,706)	<b>\$</b> _	(56,474)	\$_	(532,180)
Transfers Out	<b>\$</b> (	(585,583)	\$	(1,959,196)	\$_	(2,544,779)
Net Income / (Loss)	\$ 1	,228,702	\$ =	2,860,809	\$	4,089,511

## Swift Action by First Responders and Village Employees Prevent Catastrophic Impacts to our Village

A massive fire erupted at the intersection of North Centre Avenue and Sunrise Highway at 1:11 a.m. on February 16, 2022 after a tanker carrying approximately 9,200 gallons of gasoline overturned and crashed into the vacant La-Z-Boy and then skidded into the parking lot of Bargain Liquors. The crash sparked the vacant furniture store to be fully engulfed in flames before partially collapsing, fire to spew from numerous manholes, and the tanker and liquor store to go up in flames.

"We are fortunate that no serious injuries occurred, thanks to the heroic actions of our first responders, our dedicated Village employees and the countless departments who provided mutual aid," commented Mayor Francis X. Murray. "These men and women left the safety of their beds in the middle of the night to respond to a dangerous fire that could have ended very differently if it wasn't for their heroic actions. We are beyond grateful for their dedication and service to our great Village."

Mayor Murray and Village Administrator Nancy Howard were on the scene shortly after the accident occurred to coordinate assistance from the County, State and Federal agencies, as well as over twenty neighboring Fire Departments. In addition, our Department of Public Works, Electric Department, Building Department, and Water Department were on site to assist during and after the blaze and to mitigate any further damage to the Village.

"As a first responder and the Mayor, I was beyond proud and humbled to see hundreds of people from different agencies and departments work together to not only put out the fires, but to protect our Village from further damage," continued Murray.





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