

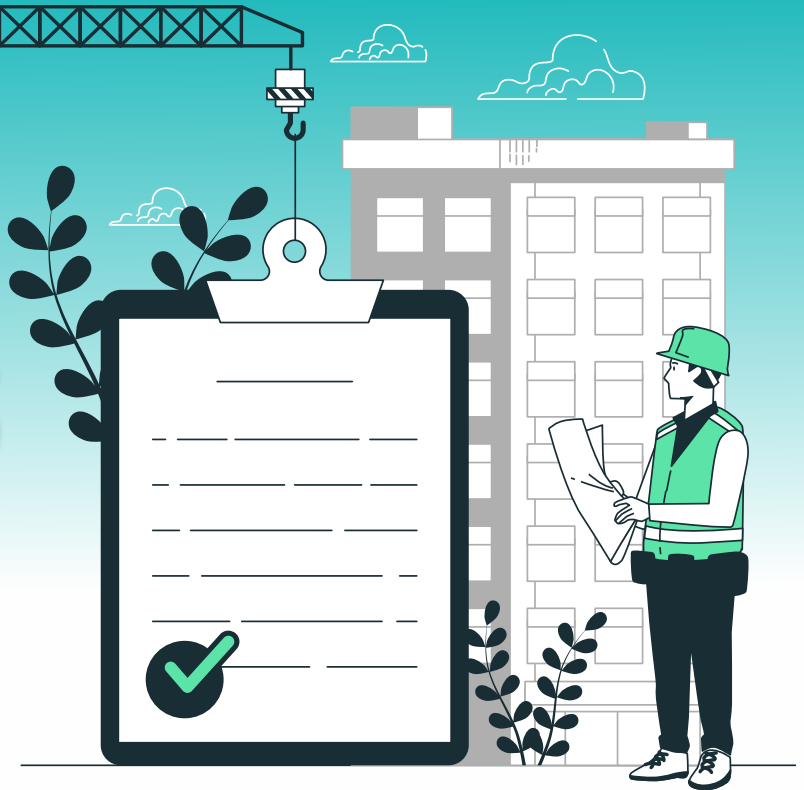


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WATER DISTRICT NEWS

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CAPITAL PROJECT UPDATES



All our water production and distribution systems have relatively predictable and lengthy service lives. This longevity is largely due to diligent inspection and preventive maintenance performed over time. Capital improvements and upgrades, coupled with advances in technology, can extend service lives, making these investments the best possible paths to pursue. In fact, we still utilize some water mains originally installed in the 1950s! Here's an update of ongoing projects at the Albertson Water District.



TRANSMISSION MAINS – YALE STREET & ALBERTSON AVENUE:

The newly installed transmission water mains were necessary to provide water to the western part of the district while the new GAC system is installed at the Hollow Court Booster station. The installation of the water main was very involved, as it required drilling under the LIRR tracks in order to bring water from the east side of the district to the west side of the district. The Albertson Avenue transmission water main was paid for out of the Capital Improvements Fund, while the Cherry Tree/Yale Street transmission main will be paid out of previously approved bond money.



HOLLOW COURT BOOSTER:

The Hollow Court Booster Station will be completely demolished and replaced with a GAC Filtration System / Ultra Violet Light System. This project is expected to take 2 years to complete. While construction is ongoing one half of Hollow Court will be closed due to safety concerns, and made one way only from Serpentine Lane going east to Greenway Drive. The northern sidewalk will remain open.

COMMISSIONER UPDATES ★★★★★★★

COMMISSIONER Brian Hassan



Reports on Backflow Device Testing



As previously reported, the hiring of Aqua Backflow Co. to maintain district records of backflow testing and the supply of notices to consumers who have backflow devices, has proven to be a cost savings to the district. The cost savings come from not having to hire additional staff just for this task, while also freeing up current staff to do other tasks.

Statutory Authority Backflow Device Testing: Public Health Law § 225, New York State Sanitary Code, Part 5, § 5-1.31 (Cross-connection control), and Nassau County Public Health Ordinance, Article 6, § 15 (Cross connection control), require that all backflow devices be tested annually. This requirement becomes the responsibility of the water purveyor. In keeping with the requirements for backflow testing, it is required that all backflow devices be tested on the anniversary of installation, not one year from the last test performed.

COMMISSIONER Janell Giordano



Reports on New Office Hours



REMEMBER: The Albertson Water District has changed its office hours as of July 1, 2023. The new hours are 9:30 am to 11:30 am and 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm. Entry to the office will only be between these hours unless prior arrangements are made. This change has proven to work well, allowing the current office staff to complete their daily duties with minimal disruption and having no need to hire another person to assist in daily operations.

COMMISSIONER Emmanoyil Vlepakis



Reports on Hydrant Maintenance



Maintenance of the district's 450-plus hydrants was completed in June of this year. Even though Well No. 4 was out of service for part of this year, the mild weather in June and the minimal demand on the water system allowed the hydrants to be flushed and inspected. As we have done in the past, repairs were immediately made when necessary, leaving the hydrants in operational condition. Flushing the hydrant helps remove any iron build-up in the water main, which, in time, can reduce the flow of water. Again, as in the past, notices will be sent to every home and business that the Albertson Water District serves. System demand permitting, the next hydrant flushing will take place in June of 2025.

WHO ARE THOSE PEOPLE ON MY FRONT LAWN?

Every year, the Albertson Water District is required by regulatory agencies to do a certain amount of cross inspections (approximately 1,600, or 1/3 of the district's services) in order to be in compliance with and to satisfy the semi-annual cross connection control report, as required by the Nassau County Board of Health. When time allows, this task is taken on by Albertson Water District employees. Albertson Water District employees look for any signs of a cross connection and check to see if there is proper backflow prevention when required (DCV / Double Check Valve properly installed). All district employees that perform this task have completed the required training and are certified to do these inspections.

Remember: If you see anyone in the vicinity of your home who makes you uncomfortable with them being there, first call 9-1-1 and inform them of the SUSPICIOUS PERSON. Have the local police department respond to verify who this person may be. All Albertson Water District employees carry identification as to who they are and who they are employed by. Remember when in doubt, call.



LEAD/COPPER INVENTORY COMPLETED



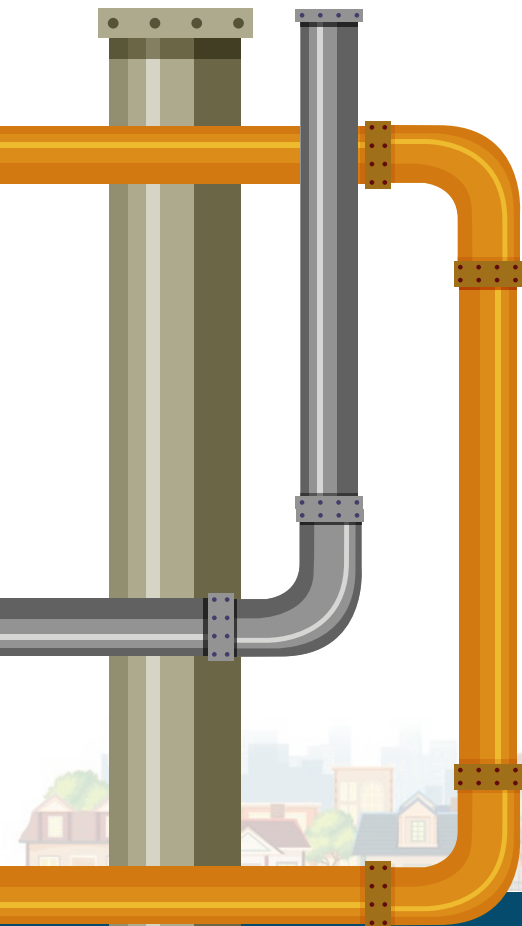
The Albertson Water District has concluded its service line inventory throughout the district and is pleased to report that our initial inspections show no indication of lead service lines. It is the district's responsibility to provide a full report to the EPA, which will then be made available to the public in the coming weeks.

If you have an unknown service line, or a service line that may require further inspection, you will be receiving a packet in the mail with instructions and additional information on the steps you can take to certify all lines and connectors within your home are not in need of replacement.

If you did not receive a packet from the district, no action is required on your water service lines at this time.

As always, the district continuously monitors its water samples, and our water meets or exceeds all local, state and federal requirements for safe drinking water.

For more information, visit our website at: www.albertsonwater.org.



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Cast Your Ballots for Water Commissioner

The 2024 election of an Albertson Water Commissioner is for a three-year term beginning January 1, 2025 and running through December 31, 2027.

- ✓ **When to vote: Tuesday, December 10, 2024**
- ✓ **Where: Albertson Fire House**
- ✓ **Time: 3:00-9:00 PM**
- ✓ **Eligibility:**

Section 213 of the Town Law of the State of New York provides that no person shall be entitled to vote for improvement district commissioners unless he or she is a registered voter and a resident of the Albertson Water District for a minimum of 30 days prior to the election date. For more information, contact us at (516) 621-3610, or visit our new website www.albertsonwater.org.



Emita sus votos para Comisionado del Agua

La elección de 2024 de un Comisionado del Agua de Albertson tiene una duración de tres años a partir del 1 de enero de 2025 y hasta el 31 de diciembre de 2027.

- ✓ **Quando votar: Martes, 10 de Diciembre de 2024**
- ✓ **Dónde: Casa de bomberos Albertson**
- ✓ **Tiempo: 3:00-9:00 PM**
- ✓ **Elegibilidad:**

El artículo 213 de la Ley Municipal de la El Estado de Nueva York establece que no persona tendrá derecho a votar por comisionados de distrito de mejora a menos que sea un votante registrado y residente de Albertson Water Distrito un mínimo de 30 días antes de fecha de elección. Para más información, contáctenos al (516) 621-3610, o visite nuestro nuevo sitio web www.albertsonwater.org.