



# Village of Scarsdale

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### **Village Manager Pappalardo Announces July Retirement**

Vince Lombardi, considered by some to be the greatest football coach of all-time, once said, "The harder you work, the harder it is to surrender." If the harder one works, the harder it is to surrender, then these words from Scarsdale's Village Manager, Stephen M. Pappalardo, were incredibly difficult for him to express to the Village Board this week, as he announced his upcoming retirement in July 2021:

*It has been an honor and a privilege to have worked for the Village of Scarsdale for the past 30+ years and I will forever be grateful for the opportunity afforded me by the Village Board to serve as your Village Manager for the past five. My positive professional experiences working for the Village are too numerous to list, as are the many wonderful people I have encountered, many of whom have enriched me and influenced my life both professional and personally. I consider myself fortunate and it has truly been a great career in public service for the Village.*

Manager Pappalardo has displayed exemplary commitment to public service excellence and his love for our *Village in a Park* has been evident throughout his career. Mayor Marc Samwick commented, "Steve's leadership, professionalism, and fiscal stewardship have not only resulted in the Village of Scarsdale being recognized in municipal government circles as a model for local governance, but his efforts to maintain and enhance Scarsdale's broader reputation as a great place to live and raise a family have yielded meaningful results in that our local quality of life has continued to remain in the top tier of suburban communities regionally and nationally throughout his over three decades of esteemed public service." Mayor Samwick added, "Steve has been – and will always be – a treasured member of the Scarsdale family."

Although Manager Pappalardo will be retiring this year, he is continuing to press forward on matters of local importance, with a keen eye on the FY 2021-22 Annual Budget and other important work needing his focused attention. He related to the Village Board, "... there is still much Village work to complete over the next five months and I remain fully committed to this effort. My July 12, 2021, retirement date allows for the completion of the FY2021-22 budget process and the close of the finances for FY2020-21. Both will better inform us toward a path forward for the Village government into the new June 01, 2021, fiscal year and beyond, as we transition from COVID-19 back to normal operations."

Tom Seaver once said, "God is living in New York, and he's a Mets fan." Well, some of our Village staff claim to have seen Manager Pappalardo walk on water – *and we all know he's a Mets fan* – but despite these parallels, he's simply a good man having dedicated his life to helping the Scarsdale community as a committed, hardworking, and effective public servant. The world could use more people like him in local government and he will be missed in Scarsdale following his retirement in July 2021.

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