

City of Batavia Media Release

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City Director of Public Works Named Professional Manager of the Year

January 8, 2015, Batavia, NY. The City of Batavia Director of Public Works Sally Kuzon has been selected by the Genesee Valley Branch of the American Public Works Association (APWA) as the 2014 recipient of the Professional Manager of the Year, in the Administrative Management Category. Ms. Kuzon will receive this award at the APWA Awards Banquet on January 29th.

Ms. Kuzon started working for the City in January 2008, following 20 plus years of service as the Village Administrator for the Village of Williamsville. During her time as the Village Administrator for Williamsville, Sally was responsible for managing a variety of public works projects to include water and wastewater utilities. As the Director of Public Works for the City of Batavia she is responsible for all public works functions within the City, to include but not limited to engineering oversight, capital project management and planning, code enforcement, facilities and grounds, fleet management, streets and roads, water and wastewater utilities and snow removal.

City Manager Jason Molino said, "Sally's leadership has empowered her employees to strive to reach their fullest potential. It's obvious when you see the exceptional pride displayed by the public works staff. Her continual enthusiasm and interest to improve the level of service provided to Batavia residents is always her number one priority. By the nature of her sincere character, commitment to the community and the organization, Sally has demonstrated herself to be a leader, a dedicated public servant and role model for all to follow. It is a pleasure to work with Sally, and I congratulate her on being honored with this award."

Sally Kuzon is the only female holding a city position of Director of Public Works in the State of New York. As an award recipient she will automatically be submitted for the New York Chapter Award.

This award is presented to association members for outstanding achievement in the area of administration within the public works department and to inspire excellence and dedication in the public sector by recognizing the outstanding career service achievements of administrative professionals.

About the American Public Works Association (APWA):

The American Public Works Association (APWA) serves professionals in all aspects of public works—a fact that sets it apart from other organizations and makes it an effective voice of public works throughout North America. With a worldwide membership over 28,500 strong, APWA includes not only personnel from local, county, state/province, and federal agencies, but also private sector personnel who supply products and services to those professionals.

New York Chapter, one of the oldest formed Chapters in the American Public Works Association, proudly supports five (5) state-wide Branches to promote the advancement of improved practices to serve the best interests of the public by improving meaningful opportunities for member interaction, participation and training.

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