Farmingville, NY - On Thursday, December 05, Councilwoman Connie Kepert attended the unveiling ceremony for the new Tri-Hamlet Village Square held by Suffolk County Legislator Kate Browning. The Village Square, located at the southeast corner of William Floyd Parkway and Montauk Highway in Shirley, was a project moved forward by the William Floyd Community Summit Beautification Committee to revitalize this area. The corner, which has long been an eye sore to Brookhaven residents utilizing these roadways and visitors to the Smith Point County Beach alike, has been beautified with a brick walkway, flags, benches, and a statue of William Floyd.

The transformation of this corner, which is considered the gateway to the Tri-Hamlet communities of Mastic, Shirley, and Mastic Beach, began as a vision by Beautification Committee Chairperson Pat Matthews. Pat's vision was to create an area that would welcome all those who enter the community and encourage local business and tourism while highlighting the Town's rich history by honoring William Floyd, a prominent historical figure who originated from Brookhaven Town. Ms. Matthews and the Beautification Committee worked with the Suffolk County Department of Public Works on the corner's design and community volunteers will maintain it.

"I am immensely excited to see this project to beautify the crossroads to these communities completed, and I commend Legislator Browning for assisting in moving this important and necessary project forward," stated Councilwoman Kepert. "I would like to thank Pat Matthews, Chairperson of the Beautification Committee, without whom this project could not have happened. I would also like to extend a special thank you to the Mattarazzo Family in honor of the late Santo Mattarazzo, the sculptor who created and donated an original sculpture of William Floyd specifically for the William Floyd Community Summit and their efforts to beautify this community and spotlight its rich history."

Councilwoman Connie Kepert speaks at the unveiling