



# Newark Valley News

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*"News from Your Town"*

## MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERVISOR'S DESK

This year has been a trying time for us all. It has been a challenge here at the town. We have been working hard to keep some normality in our operations.

Due to loss of income, i.e. State Aid, Highway Aid and somewhat lower sales tax revenues, the Board has had to make some hard choices. The biggest impact has been funding for the Highway Department. In order to stay under the tax cap, cuts had to be made. There was also a large increase in the cost for ambulance service this year.

I urge everyone to be patient this winter regarding town services. Everyone will be doing their best under difficult circumstances.

Let's hope that the New Year brings some relief from the Covid crisis. Please stay safe for the Holiday Season.

Stuart Yetter, Jr., Supervisor

## TOWN CLERK'S CORNER

**Hours: Monday thru Thursday 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Closed Fridays. 642-8746**

**Cash, check, or money orders are accepted for transactions, NO CREDIT CARDS.**

### DOG LICENSES

**If you own a dog and live in the Town or Village of Newark Valley:**

You are required to license your dog(s). Your dog **must** have a license. In order to get a new dog licensed, you must have a current Rabies Certificate and the appropriate fee amount. If your dog is spayed or neutered, please provide a certificate, for a discounted license fee. Please put the dog tag on the collar of your dog (highly recommended), if your dog gets lost, we will be able to identify the animal and owner easier. The tag is good for the life of the dog and just like the license is non-transferrable. If the tag is lost, a new one can be issued for a charge of \$3.00.

**You can get a new license or renew a license by mail. You will receive a renewal notice when the license is due. You will need:**

- \* A current Rabies Certificate (all the required information about the dog and you should be on the Rabies Certificate, if not please provide the information)
- \* A spayed or neutered certificate, if it applies
- \* A check or money order made out to the Town of Newark Valley in the amount of **\$10.00** for a spayed or neutered dog or **\$20.00** for an unspayed or unneutered dog for a year license
- \* Mail to: Newark Valley Town Clerk, 109 Whig Street, Newark Valley, NY 13811

We will mail back all originals, the license and if needed, a license tag. You can buy a one, two, or three year license as long as your rabies certificate doesn't expire before the license does.

**If you no longer have your dog, if you change your phone number, or you have a change of address (even if you move to another town), please contact the Town Clerk's Office to update our records. Your cooperation is vital in keeping our records current.**



## *Get to know your Officials!*

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Supervisor -

Stuart Yetter, Jr.

Office: 642-8746

Can be reached during  
daytime hours at  
642-8084

Town Board Members -

Timothy Dalton

Joseph Tomazin

Daniel Cheresnowski

Warren Smith

Court Officials -

Justice John Schaffer

Clerk Yvonne Tuetken

642-5278

Dog Control Officer -

Denise Liske

642-3287

Code Enforcement

Officer/Fire Marshal -

William Carrigg

642-3617

Highway Supt. -

Charles Meade

642-9927

Every month we have to generate delinquent dog notices and we do not like to send them any more than you like to receive them.

### **Starting July 1, 2018, there is a \$10.00 late fee per delinquent dog.**

So...to avoid this, please update us on the status of your dog(s) and renew your dog license(s) promptly. Thank you.

### **HANDICAP PARKING FOR TOWN RESIDENTS ONLY**

If you need a handicap parking tag, you need to get a form from us, or your doctor's office, have the doctor fill it out, fill out your part (both of you need to sign and date it) and bring it into our office along with your driver's license. We will then fill the request from the application. There is no cost to you. If you live in the Town of Newark Valley you must get your tag here. If you live in the village you must go to the village office.

### **REGISTRAR MARRIAGE LICENSES**

Getting married? If you plan to get a marriage license from us, please note the following:

License Fee is \$40.00, payable by check or cash.

1. Both Bride and Groom must be present at time of the application.
2. Proof of identity (driver's license, non driver's license)
3. Certified Birth Certificate for proof of birth, name, and age.
4. Certified Divorce decrees from all previous marriages.
5. There is a 24 hour waiting period between the purchase of the license and the wedding ceremony.
6. The license is valid for 60 days.
7. The license has to be filed where it is purchased, not where the marriage takes place.

You may apply for a marriage license in any Town or City office in New York State. If you choose to apply at the Town of Newark Valley office, you must arrive one hour prior to this office closing.

If you need a copy of a birth, marriage, or death certificate, contact the office at 607-642-8746. You will need to fill out an application form. There is a \$10.00 charge for each copy. MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Barbara S. Mock,  
Newark Valley Town Clerk

## **HIGHWAY HAPPENINGS**

Where did this year go? But, it was a good summer. I hope everyone is still surviving the virus and staying healthy. Here at the Highway Department we are still waiting for five (5) projects for the 2018 flood, but we finally received all monies for the 2019 flood. Right now we are stock piling gravel for the work that we will do in the spring of 2021. We here at the highway Department hope you all have a safe and wonderful Holiday and remember to get your snow tires on. Take your time getting to work when Mother Nature opens up and delivers snow and ice to us. Slow down when you see a plow truck coming towards you and DON'T PASS THEM! Thank you.

Charles E. Meade Highway Superintendent

## **HISTORIAN HAPPENINGS**

The Town Historian's office has recently received several more scrapbooks, which we are "mining" for future use. We also have had a couple of visitors looking for information on our commercial center, and our school history. These are the things that make it worthwhile for us to sort, paste and file. We are always pleased to help when possible.

A recent request from California asked if we had any information on Peter B. Zimmer!

Where to begin? Peter was the first of all the Zimmer's we have here in the valley, I asked her to narrow down her request, please! I couldn't very well ask her to come in and do the research herself.

Ginny Mullen, Historian

## DOG DATA

### WINTER HEALTHY DOG TIPS

- **Outdoor Sheltering** - A doghouse should be 2" from the ground, waterproof and size appropriate - the dog needs to be able to stand up, lie down and stretch out without touching the sides or roof but not too large that it can't retain its own body heat. Please be sure to have a windbreaker on the entrance during the winter months. It is recommended to utilize wood homes versus plastic homes as it is more weather resistance as well as straw or wood shavings since blankets and beddings tend to hold the moisture which decreases a dog's body temperature.
- **Food & Water** - Access to water should always be provided as well as adequate food - dogs will need more calories in the winter to accommodate for their increased need for body heat.
- **Ice** - Keep the hair trimmed between their paws to reduce the risk of ice retention which increases their risk for frostbite and hypothermia.

**Salt** - It's recommended to keep the dog off the sidewalks, driveways and roads whenever possible where salt is utilized to melt ice - preferably walking them on the grass or snow to prevent chemical burns to their paws. These toxic chemicals can be ingested by the dogs licking their paws - prevention is achieved by wiping the dog's paws when coming back inside.

**LOST/FOUND DOGS** - If you have lost or found a dog - please contact the Newark Valley Dog Control Officer ASAP 24/7 @ (607) 642-3287 or (607)339-6566. The DCO is able to provide assistance by being a contact for any potential sightings and sharing information as you search for your dog. Keep in mind that most individuals that retrieve a lost dog contact the Dog Control Officer immediately - so let's bring your dog home quickly & safely before transport to Stray Haven should happen. AND please remember to license your dog & affix their ID tag to their collar - especially in emergency situations this will allow for immediate identification and initiated contact of the owner - as well as it is mandated by the Town of Newark Valley Local Law.

**Denise Liske, Newark Valley Dog Control Officer**

## TAX COLLECTOR

### TAX TIME!

**Tax payment collection hours for 2021 will be:**

**January 4th – Feb 28<sup>th</sup> Mon thru Thurs 2-5 pm;**

**March, April & May - Tues & Wed only 2-5 pm.**

**For those wishing to pay early please call for amount and to arrange payment from Mon 12/28 – Wed 12/30 between 2-5 pm.**

**Please NOTE - COVID restrictions allow for only ONE person at a time in the office if you are paying in person. Consider mailing in payments to avoid wait times.**

Please call the **Tioga County Treasurer's Office at 607-687-8670** for previous year tax amounts and/or payment information.

If you have a change of address or transfer of property please contact Doug Barton, Assessor at 607-642-8666.

Wanda Grover, Tax Collector



## *Officials cont.*

Town Historian—Ginny Mullen

Volunteer Historians -

Marty Schneider

Nellie Snapp

Gwen Stephens

Janet Frieman

JeanEllen Parmalee

642-8705 – Office

642-5541 – Ginny

642-8789 – Marty

Town Clerk - Barb Mock

Tax Collector - Wanda

Grover

642-8746

Assessor - Douglas Barton

642-8666

These are your local officials. We are all here to serve the needs of the Taxpayers. Please don't hesitate to call us for help or to offer suggestions to improve "Your" local government.

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Newark Valley, NY 13811

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## COMMUNITY NEWS



## DATES TO REMEMBER

**Town Board Meetings:** 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7PM.

**Town Planning Board Meetings:** 3rd Monday of each month at 7:30 PM.

**Town Court:** 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month at 4PM sharp. 2nd Tuesday of each month at 4PM sharp.

**Town Clerk:** Monday thru Thursday 10 AM to 1 PM. Closed Fridays. .

**Town Assessor:** Thursday 2 to 5 PM

**Town Hall Receptionist:** Monday through Friday 10 AM to 1 PM.