



Newark Valley News

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"News from Your Town"

MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERVISOR'S DESK

The new year has begun and everyone here is preparing for the challenges each year brings us. The Highway crew met the challenges the weather brought us. All of the flood damage has been repaired and payment received from FEMA. We now look forward to getting back on our regular road maintenance and repair projects.

The Board is now going to look at moving forward with continued improvements at the Highway Barn. We recently enlarged and remodeled the Town Barn. Next, we are looking at building a salt storage facility and parking lot improvements. We have been adding regularly to our building capital reserve fund so these projects can be undertaken without borrowing or raising taxes.

The Town Board and Highway Superintendent will soon begin discussion on what road repair and or improvement projects are needed. If anyone has thoughts and ideas on possible projects we welcome your input.

We also have some openings on our boards that we would like to fill. There is an opening on our Planning Board, the Variance Board and our Assessment Review Board. If anyone is interested in any of these positions or would like more information contact me here at the Town Hall. These position vary on the requirements and duties, but can be very interesting.

At this time the issue of natural gas drilling is again coming to the forefront. The Town Board and I continue to do our best to stay informed on this issue. We are working on local laws to keep any potential adverse effects of this industry to a minimum for our residents. Hopefully our officials at the state levels will approve appropriate regulations for this industry to provide maximum protection while allowing the economic security that appears to come with it.

Stuart Yetter, Jr., Supervisor

TOWN CLERK'S CORNER

Hours - March – September: Monday thru Wednesday 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursdays 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. then 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Closed Fridays.

DOG LICENSES

The Town of Newark Valley requires you to license **all** dog(s). If you own a dog and live in the Town or Village of Newark Valley, your dog must have a license. In order to get a dog license, you must have a current Rabies Certificate and the appropriate fee amount (\$7.50 for spayed/neutered dog, \$15.50 for an unaltered dog). If your dog has been spayed or neutered, please provide a certificate, so you can get a discounted license fee. You can mail the information with a check or money order to us or stop by in person.

The license has to be renewed every year. Please make sure you provide your rabies certificate if the old one has expired, neutered certificate (if applicable) and sign the license. You can renew by mail. Just send everything in that is required, including your payment and we will send your license and certificates back to you.

If you no longer have a dog, please contact this office to update our records. Your cooperation is vital in keeping our records current.

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

HANDICAP PARKING

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, (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. You must live in Newark Valley to have this office issue you one. If you live in Newark Valley, you must get your tag here in Newark Valley.

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Get to know your Officials!

Supervisor -

Stuart Yetter, Jr.

Office: 642-8746

Can be reached during
daytime hours at
642-8084

Town Board Members -

Donald Thomas

Joseph Tomazin

Daniel Cheresnowski

Ron Graham

Court Officials -

Justice Todd Smith

Justice John Schaffer

Clerk Yvonne Tuetken

642-5278

Dog Control Officer -

Jim Weed

642-3287

Code Enforcement Officer

- Tom Larson

Fire Marshal -

Dennis Liebe

642-3617

Highway Supt. -

Charles Meade

642-9927

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 only 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 in Newark Valley, you must arrive by 1 hour prior to this office closing.

Barb Mock, Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR

We can not accept payment after May 31, 2012. Call the Tioga County Treasurer's Office at 687-8670 to find out how to pay your tax bill after that date.

If you have any questions, please call the office at 642-8746.

Barb Mock, Tax Collector

HIGHWAY HAPPENINGS

Is the woodchuck going to be right? Let's have an early spring! I'm in the process of getting the cost for the road work this year. I would like to change more gravel roads to oil and stone, if the cost is not out of site! We have started Bailey Hollow and I want to continue this first, along with resurfacing the other roads that are cracking. The roads need the oil into them to keep them together. Also, the broken edges need to be patched. Then there is brush and old trees that need to be taken down. We need to rework all the gravel roads with the dust control, this should be a lot earlier this year than last year because of the flood damage work we had to do. Spring Clean-up this year is May 2, for Senior Citizens. Please call to be put on the list between April 1st and no later than April 29th, so we can come around and pick up your stuff, 642-9927. All others bring your stuff behind the Town Hall, 109 Whig Street, May 3rd and 4th, from 7:30 am to 3:00 pm both days. Thank you and have a good spring.

Charles Meade,

Highway Superintendent



HISTORIAN CORNER

TOWN OF NEWARK VALLEY

The Town Board is accepting resumes from interested people for voluntary positions on the following boards:

VARIANCE BOARD—1 Opening

Meets only as needed to discuss building permit issues. Such as non conforming lot size.

BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW—1 Opening

Meets with the public on Grievance day and again to deliberate whether the grievances are valid. There is one county training session required. There is no cost for the training.

PLANNING BOARD—1 Opening

Meets the third Monday of the month, review issues and constructs drafts of laws for the Town Board to consider in accordance to the Town's Comprehensive plan.

Send To: Town of Newark Valley
109 Whig Street
Newark Valley, NY 13811

Stuart L. Yetter, Jr.
Town of Newark Valley Supervisor
607-642-8746

FIRE MARSHAL FACTS

Little on the outdoor burning

Reminder that you still need a burn permit in the Town of Newark Valley to burn outdoors, also remember there is a burn ban still on from March 15th to May 15th 2013, this is per NYS of Department of Environmental Conservation.

You can get a burn permit at the Town of Newark Valley Code Enforcement Office, 109 Whig St, or call 642-3617, and the Fire Marshal will bring one to you.

Also, if you need a list of what to burn just ask the Code Enforcement Officer or Fire Marshal for a copy of the town burn law. You can also get that information online at townofnewarkvalley.com.

Dennis Liebe, Fire Marshal

The weather for 2013 will certainly go down in history. We have been most fortunate considering what our neighboring states have endured.

Deputy Marsh (Jerry) has been very busy with his "book-signing". His book-Brotherhood of Battle-is being enjoyed by many. Jerry has put an amazing amount of time and effort in this story of the Civil War and the effect on many families in this area.

We just added scrapbook #18 to our collection. We feel it is important for our local history. We know without Lena Bushnell's collection, our early history of this area would be sparse. So we are continuing to the best of our ability.

As I look back over the years I have been in the picture, I realize that we have grown considerably! We are very proud of our "space".

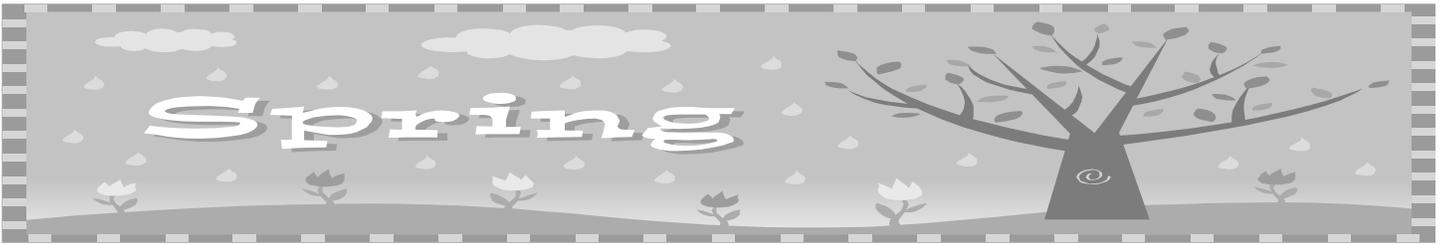
Right now our challenge is to identify the multitude of pictures we have and get them organized-not an easy chore!

None of this would be possible without the deputies that volunteer their time. They are an awesome crew.

We continue our restored picture displays. Currently they can be seen at the NBT Bank, NV Town Office (meeting room) and the Northern Tioga Family Clinic.

Shirley Callahan, Town Historian





NEWARK VALLEY ANNUAL SPRING CLEAN-UP DAYS

Town and Village of Newark Valley Residents:

The Town of Newark Valley will be conducting Spring Clean-up on Friday, May 3rd and Saturday, May 4th. Items may be brought to the Town Hall, 109 Whig Street, and deposited in dumpsters at the rear of the property. Operating hours will be between 7:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. on both days. Residents 65 and over plus Town residents who are disabled and who wish to have their debris picked up on Thursday, May 2nd, must make an appointment no later than Monday, April 29th, 2013, but not before April 1st by calling the Town Highway Department at 642-9927 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.. Debris and/or brush to be picked up or dropped off will be limited to one pick-up truck load per household **ONLY**. More than one pick-up truck load will be left for the homeowner to properly dispose of. **NOTE: Due to the new DEC No Burning Law we will not be taking wood. That means no construction wood of any kind i.e.; plywood, boards, 2x4's, 2x6's, etc.** We will take brush no bigger than 4 inches in diameter at the cut off area to be run through the brush chipper. No debris from Towns outside of the Town of Newark Valley will be accepted. This year we will be taking tires as well. They can be no larger than 16 inches and can be on rims. The cost is \$2.00 per tire and proof of residency is required at time of drop-off. All tires must be dropped off at the 109 Whig Street site. No tire pick-up will be offered during Senior pick-up day.

The following items **WILL NOT** be accepted:

Glass of any kind, paint cans or other hazardous waste containers, construction debris, shingles or tar paper, household garbage, batteries or recyclables.

The following items **WILL** be accepted:

Old furniture, brush 4 inches or less in diameter, mattresses, plastics, scrap metal, and appliances (with doors removed).

If you have any questions please feel free to call the Highway Department at 642-9927.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Stuart Yetter, Jr.—Supervisor

Charles Meade—Highway Superintendent

CODE COMMENTS

WHAT'S NEW ON OUR CODE WEB PAGE: townofnewarkvalley.com

The Town of Newark Valley has a terrific web page which is set up to help the people of Newark Valley utilize the town services as efficiently as possible. To get to the web page, simply type the address into the top line of your web browser. To see the code section, click on *code enforcement* in the left column. Below the general information about our department you will find a list of helpful forms and documents assembled by my department to help make your building code experience easier. They are:

- An application for free home repair!
- A summary of NYS pool requirements
- Pool barrier safety information
- Electrical requirements for pools
- Our outdoor furnace local law
- Our open fire (burning) local law
- Our Noise Ordinance local law
- Requirements for manufactured home building permits.
- Manufactured home permit
- Septic plot plan
- Wood deck construction guide
- Building guide for pole barn construction
- Minimum plot size diagram
- A good example of a hand drawn plot plan
- BP-1 Form for workers' compensation
- A link to other Town Laws
- Check out our site or stop in when you need any of these services.

Tom Larson, Code Enforcement Officer

DOG DATA

I would like to thank the residents of the Town for all the cooperation you have extended to me. There have been times I have had to call a resident because they had the breed of dog I just picked up. This has worked out well at times, because the owner has been looking for the dog. There is nothing worse than not being able to find the correct owner and looking at the animal when I am on the way to the shelter knowing the dog has a good home. But, there are also times when the dog has been dropped off and the only consolation in that regard is the dog will be warm and fed today. If your dog is missing, give me a call, let me know all the information. This can make it a lot easier if and when the dog is found. I am here to help you if needed. If your phone number has changed since you licensed your dog, please provide me or the Town Clerk with your new phone number so that if your dog is picked up we have a correct phone number to contact you.

On that note, have you thought of a tag on the dog's collar that gives the dog's name, and phone number? You would be surprised to see the look on the dog's face when I can call their name.

Rabies Clinic: First Thursday of every month 4-5:30 p.m.

Endicott Agway—116 Jennings St.,
Endicott, NY

Fee is \$20.00 Phone 754-6660

Tioga County call 687-8600 for information.

Jim Weed, Dog Control Officer



Officials cont.

Town Historian -
Shirley Callahan
Deputy Historians -
Joan Shaver
Ginny Mullen
Marty Schneider
Nellie Snapp
Gwen Stephens
Nancy Hess
Jerry Marsh
642-8705
Shirley can be
reached at home
by calling 642-3361

Town Clerk/Tax
Collector - Barb Mock
Deputy - Alex Torra
642-8746

Assessor - Michael
Maxwell 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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COMMUNITY NEWS

Please take note of some activities happening at the Newark Valley Historical Society this Spring.

May 1st - **Muzzle Loading Shoot.** Begins at 6pm at the Bement-Billings Farmstead's Black Powder Guild Shooting Range. Continues each Wednesday until October. \$1.00 per target, 3 target shoots each week. For further information call George at 863-4217

May 11th - **Shuttles & Spindles Guild: Warp the Loom** at the Bement-Billings Farmstead, 10—2. (BYO lunch & beverage) New members welcome. For further information call Denise Tarbox at 642-5568.

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 7PM. 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6PM.

Town Clerk: Monday through Thursday 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., and Thursday evening from 3 to 6 p.m. Closed Fridays.

Town Assessor: Call for day & time

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