

# Newark Valley News

March 2019

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"News from Your Town"

## MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERVISOR'S DESK

I am hoping that by the time you read this we are past the worst of winter weather and spring will be making a much needed appearance.

The weather this year has been rough on our sand budget due to the amount of icing. This type of weather is also very damaging to our roads. Once spring settles in road conditions will be assessed and a repair and maintenance plan will be put into place. Further complicating this issue is the amount of flash flood damage sustained last year. The town hopes some of these repairs will be covered by FEMA funding at some point.

The Town has also scheduled our annual clean-up days. Please remember this is offered for items that can not be put out for recycling or regular trash pick up. It seems that each year a few more people bring in sacks of household trash or boxes of recyclables. It would be a shame for such a popular program to be curtailed do to the abuses of a few people.

As always, the Town Board and I are working diligently to see that your tax dollars are spent wisely. We encourage anyone with concerns or ideas to contact us or attend the second Board Meeting each month when the floor is opened to the public.

Stuart Yetter, Supervisor



## **TOWN CLERK'S CORNER**

Hours - Monday thru Thursday 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Closed Fridays.

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, so you can get 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.

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. **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.

## Get to know your Officials!

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 Todd Smith Justice John Schaffer Clerk Yvonne Tuetken 642-5278

Dog Control Officer -Denise Liske 642-3287

Code Enforcement Officer/Fire Marshal -Tom Larson - 642-3617

Highway Supt. -Charles Meade 642-9927

#### 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, 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.

#### MARRIAGE LICENSES

Getting married? If you plan to get a marriage license from us, please note the following: The license fee is \$40.00, payable by check or cash

1. Both Bride and Groom must be present at time of the application.

2. You must show proof of identity (driver's license, non driver's license, passport)

3. You must have a Certified Birth Certificate with a raised seal for proof of birth, name, and age.

4. You must provide Certified Divorce decrees from <u>all previous marriages</u>.

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 in Newark Valley, you must arrive one hour prior to this office closing.

If you need a copy of a marriage certificate, death certificate, or birth 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.

Barb Mock, Town Clerk

## TAX COLLECTOR

#### REMINDER

## Collection hours for March, April & May are TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY 2-5 pm.

If you pay your taxes in March (2% penalty), April (3% penalty), and May (4% penalty). Check, money order or cash is accepted. If you don't know how much you owe please call this office at 642-8746 during the hours posted above. <u>We cannot accept payment after May</u> <u>31, 2019</u>.

Call the Tioga County Treasurer's Office at 607-687-8670 to find out how to pay your tax bill after May 31, 2019 or to find out the amounts due for prior year taxes.

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

Wanda Grover, Tax Collector

## **HIGHWAY HAPPENINGS**

Think Spring! Enough is enough! We are still working with FEMA and SEMO on last August Flooding. I haven't even started looking ahead for this year's road work. I will have in the next News Letter what I will be doing. Remember Spring Clean-Up is, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> 2019. Senior's and the Disabled debris will be picked up on May 9<sup>th</sup>. Please call in to be put on the list, no earlier than April 30<sup>th</sup>, and no later than May 8<sup>th</sup>. 642-9927 all others will bring it to the back side of the Town Hall 109 Whig Street, between the hours of 7:00 Am and 3:00 Pm.

Charles E. Meade, Hwy. Supt.



#### **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 10th and Saturday, May 11th. 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 9th, must make an appointment no later than Monday, April 29, 2019, 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 car and light pick-up truck tires only, at a cost of \$2.00 per tire. No equipment or heavy truck tires will be accepted. 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, recyclables or electronics\*.

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

\*Tioga County Solid Waste now offers an Electronic Recycling Program located at Taylor Garbage Transfer Station, 352 Glen Mary Drive, Owego, NY. For more information or questions visit: recycling.tiogacountyny.com or call Ellen Pratt at 687-8274.

## **HISTORIAN CORNER**

We have had three great gifts in the last month.

A copy of the book "Emily" by Clara Loring Bogart, depicting life in Newark Valley in the 1890's, published in 1894 has been donated by Duane Testut, who grew up next door to Clara, after she married and moved to Ithaca. Because of it's age, it is fragile, but we do have it on our shelves.

Next, Carl Garrett, who lives in Missouri, is a descendant of our Noble family, and has been researching them. Now, he has shared his finished product with us, in a booklet "Descendants of Washington A. Noble, (1823-1892)". Amazing to read how the family moved around that long ago.

Sharon Weed has donated a key to the BACK door of the Opera House that stood on the corner of Brook and Main Sts. It was the original Methodist Church, and was moved to this location in the 1870's when the brick church was built. (Another Opera House was on the corner of Rock and Brook Sts, also a former church. This time the Congregational Church! Again it was towed to its new location. Bruce DeVlieger had given us a key to the front door earlier.

On a sad note, in March of 1912 there was an awful fire in a Binghamton Dress Factory. Many young women were unable to escape, due to lack of safety features in an old wooden building and their long dresses and aprons. One of those killed was Cassie Fulmer of Newark Valley. She is buried in Hope Cemetery. So far, I have found nothing more about her.

Miss Hochberg's third graders recently visited our office from across the street. It was a pleasure to show them some of our "treasures" as they rotated in three groups. They were enthusiastic about what they learned in each area, and we thank Miss Hochberg for preparing them well for their lesson in Newark Valley history.

Shirley Callahan, Town Historian Ginny Mullen, Volunteer Historian Marty Schneider, Volunteer Historian



#### DOG DATA

#### TIPS TO ELIMINATE ANY REASON THAT ANYONE WOULD EVER FILE A COMPLAINT AGAINST YOUR DOG

• Be sure to license your dog & remain current with vaccinations - especially against rabies

• Provide appropriate food, water, shelter and interactions for your dog

• Provide appropriate care for your dog to prevent habitual barking

• Keep your dog confined to your own property

• Keep your dog on a leash and/or under your control when off your property

• Prevent your dog from having the availability to intimidate anyone or any other animal

• Prevent your dog from becoming a nuisance & damaging another's property

Promptly pick up your dog's waste

#### TIOGA COUNTY NY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH RABIES VACCINATION CLINIC SCHEDULE

PREREGISTATION - https:// apps.health.ny.gov/doh2/applinks/ cdmspr/counties?eventCountyID=54

\$10 donation per animal is requested but no animal will be turned away for inability to pay

• THURSDAY, March 28th, 2019, 6PM -8PM @ Waverly Village Barn

• SATURDAY, April 27th, 2019, 2PM-4PM @ Owego Hickories Park

THURSDAY, May 19th, 2019, 6PM-8PM @ Newark Valley Fire Station



If you have lost a dog - please contact the Newark Valley Dog Control Officer ASAP 24/7 @ (607)339-6566. My assistance will be given 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 - so let's bring your dog home quickly & safely before transport to Stray Haven has to happen.

Denise Liske, Dog Control Officer (607)642-3287

#### **CODE COMMENTS**

Spring is on its way. I know we all will be making our plans for the upcoming building season. I would like to remind our town citizens that permits are required for many home repairs. Here are some that might get missed:

Roofing permits - Replacement or new roofs need a permit. Simple small repairs do not.

Pool Permits – Pools, hot tubs, etc. that can hold 24" of water or more require a permit.

Porches and decks – Repairs do not need a permit. Replacement and new porches or decks need a permit.

Sheds – Sheds need a permit if they are equal or greater than 144 Sq. ft. There is no difference between a preassembled shed and a stick built shed. All must be anchored to the ground.

If ever you are not certain if you need a permit or not, feel free to call my office and ask at 607-642 3617, Monday trough Friday between 8 am and noon. Email <u>nvcode@stny.rr.com</u>. We have a lot of useful information at our town web site – townofnewarkvalley.com

Tom Larson Town of Newark Valley CEO

## Officials cont.

Town Historian -Shirley Callahan Volunteer Historians-Joan Shaver Ginny Mullen Marty Schneider Nellie Snapp Gwen Stephens Jeanellen Parmalee Janet Frieman Office: 642-8705 Ginny: 642-5541

Town Clerk - Barb Mock Deputy - Lora Corson 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. Newark Valley News

Town of Newark Valley 109 Whig Street Newark Valley, NY 13811

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#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**



Every day, seven people in the U.S. die in home fires, most in homes that lack working smoke alarms. In partnership with local fire departments, community groups, and corporate supporters, we are offering FREE smoke alarms to residents in need and providing fire preparedness education to hundreds of local families through our ongoing Home Fire Campaign.

To schedule a free smoke alarm installation, please fill in and return the coupon below, email smokealarms.st@redcross.org or call 607-785-7207

Sound the Alarm - Free Smoke Alarm Installation

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	620 East Main Street	
	Endicott, NY 13760	

#### 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 4PM.

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

Town Assessor: Mondays 2 to 5 PM

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

Tax Collector: Monday thru Thursday 2 to 5 PM. Closed Fridays.