



Newark Valley News

September 2019

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"News from Your Town"

MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERVISOR'S DESK

Fall is here now bringing more challenges for the Town. We have to start building our budget for 2020. As in most years we are facing the challenge of trying to keep up with the ever increasing cost of providing the necessary services without raising taxes.

The biggest challenge is the highway budget. Costs are increasing and our equipment fleet is aging out. Trying to upgrade equipment is a major challenge as the cost of new trucks and machinery is rising every year.

The Town still has significant flood damage from 2018 to repair. This has been somewhat delayed because FEMA keeps delaying or changing the paperwork and approval process.

Another issue that has come before the Town Board is related to the pig raising operation of Route 38B. The smells emitted from the spreading of waste on the surrounding farm land is a serious problem for many of the residents in the area and the Board recognizes this. Unfortunately, our Attorney has advised us that the Town has no authority to regulate this in any way. The farm in question has all the appropriate permits from the DEC and works hard to stay in compliance with the applicable regulations. Until such a time as the State and DEC regulate odor we are unable to do anything.

Stuart Yetter, Jr., Supervisor

TOWN CLERK'S CORNER

Hours - Monday through Thursday 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Closed Fridays. Phone: 607-642-8746. 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, 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.



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 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

Shirley Callahan

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.

2019-2020 HUNTING LICENSES ARE NOW FOR SALE.

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. Social Security number.
5. Certified Divorce decrees from all previous marriages.
6. There is a 24 hour waiting period between the purchase of the license and the wedding ceremony.
7. The license is valid for 60 days.
8. 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.

Barb Mock, Town Clerk

HIGHWAY HAPPENINGS

Well, if it isn't the rain, it's the trees this year. If we haven't been there to re-work your gravel road yet, we will be. I personally did all of NV-Maine Rd. and Settle Rd. with oil and stone seal coat. Those 2 roads were drying out fast due to the amount of car and heavy truck traffic. That doesn't mean nothing won't be done to Ketchumville Rd. and North Ketchumville Rd. It will be spotty to hold them together until next year. The flood of 2018 is still working with the paper work. With the inspection of the Bridges the Dalton Hill Bridge has a washed out abutment; concrete has to be poured. I have been working with Tioga County Soil and Water along with Newark Valley Fire Department trying to pump the water out from underneath, No luck yet. Also the Tioga County Highway Department has told me the Town of Newark Valley Highway Department has to put in a turnaround on the east end of the Brown Road Bridge, so that anything over 5-Tons can turn around, that means easements and hope no cost. Please remember the fog has arrived so please go slow in our work zone areas and watch out for the school busses! Have a safe and happy fall.

Charles Meade, Highway Supt.

HISTORIAN CORNER

CHRISTMAS IN JULY!

The Town Historians have received so many good things in the past couple of months..

The Shaver family donated a large amount of Ray's collections. We've been busy sorting and cataloguing that, plus, we now have 4 Bibles from the Wiltse family, including Jenks, Rogers and Simons and some other paper work that we are still sorting and filing.

Then, there was a large package from a lady in Colorado, who had pictures and papers from Helen Riordan, which included much Dalton history.

Another box of memorabilia from the Torrey family is on the way, along with Fiske memories.

In between, a wonderful Trout Ponds circus poster from Joe Edington, set off a search for the naming of Firemen's Lane and a date (late 60's., early 70's?) A request from the donor -Does anyone remember going to this circus?

Also, a picture of the Newark Valley Power Company sign came and some Applefest memorabilia. Meanwhile, we're helping people search their ancestry, learning more about the power company, the diesel powered plant was at the Trout Ponds! In 1914, how did the diesel fuel get here? Did we have tanker trucks? Where was the Acetylene plant for the previous street lights? One source says on NORTH Water St. since Water St. runs east and west, but that can't be.

We participated in the Summerfest Parade, with Lillian Gregrow and Evelyn Martin riding as seniors, plus the Class of 46, who wouldn't admit their age! They were celebrating their 73rd reunion!

Antique and Classic cars were provided by the Owego Antique Car Club. After the parade, Marcia Kiechle provided a light lunch for the class of 46 at the Depot.

We have a sports display at the Depot. Come see us! Any Wednesday, 2 - 4 or by appointment

Shirley Callahan, Historian and Volunteer Historians

DOG DATA

TOWN OF NEWARK VALLEY ANNUAL ENUMERATION & DOG LICENSING LAWS

LICENSING – New York State requires that every dog over the age of 4 months - owned or harbored in New York State for longer than 30 days - must be licensed in the jurisdiction where the dog is being harbored - unless they are exempt pursuant to Agriculture and Markets Law §109. The Town Clerk's Office issues dog licenses under the authority of the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets. Please be sure to license your dog if you haven't already and verify that the license hasn't expired. After licensing your dog – should you move, change your contact information, the dog is missing, the dog been transferred to another individual or the dog is deceased - please contact the Newark Valley Town Clerk @ 607-642-8746 or the Newark Valley Dog Control Officer @ 607-642-3287 to update our records.

Please review and submit the annual dog enumeration form that is attached in this newsletter to the Newark Valley Town Hall by October 31, 2019. It is very important that every household responds to the requested information regardless of whether you own a dog or not. If this form is not returned, a home visit may be necessary by the Newark Valley Dog Control Officer to acquire this information.

REMINDER – \$10.00 Additional Fee for Delinquent Dog Licenses Effective July 1, 2018

2019 TIOGA COUNTY RABIES CLINIC

Thursday, August 29th 6:00PM – 8:00PM – Berkshire Fire Station, 12515 State Route 38, Berkshire, NY

Thursday, September 26th 6:00PM – 8:00PM – Nichols Fire Station, 106 West River Road, Nichols, NY

EXPEDITED SERVICE – Advance Registration - www.health.ny.gov/go2clinic/54

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. The DCO will 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. 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 Town Law.

Denise Liske, Dog Control Officer (607)642-3287
<https://www.facebook.com/NewarkValleyDogControl>

Dear Village of Newark Valley / Town of Newark Valley Resident:

The Newark Valley Dog Control Officer is conducting the mandatory census/enumeration of the dogs living in the Village of Newark Valley & Town of Newark Valley. It is very important that every household responds to the requested information - regardless of whether you own a dog or not.

**** ALL RESIDENTS PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM ****

☐ No one at this residence owns a dog.

☐ I/We currently own the dog(s) listed below. (Attach additional page if more than 5 dogs are owned)

Dog's Name	Breed	Age	Color	Sex	Spay/Neuter	Rabies Expiration	Notate NV License #
				M F	Yes No	/ /	
				M F	Yes No	/ /	
				M F	Yes No	/ /	
				M F	Yes No	/ /	
				M F	Yes No	/ /	

I/We understand our dog ownership responsibilities with respect to licensing & verify that all the information indicated above is complete & accurate to the best of our knowledge.

*Name(s): _____

*Address: _____

*City/State/Zip Code: _____

*Home Phone Number: _____ Cell Phone Number: _____

(SIGNATURE)

REQUIRED

Keep in mind that if your dog is not licensed and if the ID tag is not properly affixed to their collar, you may receive a court appearance ticket which could result in a maximum fine of \$250.00. The ID tag on their collar proven successful in getting your dog back home should they ever become lost - every dog that is picked up without an ID often ends up being taken to Stray Haven.

Mail By 10/31/2019 - Town of Newark Valley DCO, 109 Whig Street, Newark Valley, NY

CODE COMMENTS

As fall approaches it is a good time to take a personal energy efficiency and fire safety evaluation of your home.

If you are a homeowner and have a fire extinguisher in your kitchen, near your fireplace or wood stove, and near your furnace you should replace them every 10 years. This is true even if the gauge says it is full and good.

A personal story. When I was a young code enforcer, I discussed fire extinguishers with the previous fire marshal Denise Liebe. He asked me how old my fire extinguishers were in my home. I told him about 12 years. He said, throw them out! I said, no way, the seal is good, the gauge says full, and I keep it clean. He said it is still bad. I trusted Denny and bought new extinguishers. Then I brought one in to the office. We set it off in the back yard of the town hall and just as Denny said it was useless for fighting fires. All the powder inside had caked up in the bottom of the unit and nothing but gas came out. I was glad he told me so that I did not find this out when I needed the extinguisher for a fire.

For many years NFPA 72, National Fire Alarm and Signaling Code, has required as a minimum that smoke alarms be installed inside every sleep room (even for existing homes) in addition to requiring them in the hall within 15 feet of each sleeping area door and on every level of the home including the basement. On levels without bedrooms, install **alarms** in the living room (or den or family room) or near the stairway to the upper level, or in both locations. You cannot have too many.



Effective April 1, 2019, a new NY State law requires all NEW or REPLACEMENT smoke detectors in New York State to be powered by a 10-year, sealed, non-removable battery, or hardwired to the home. ... Homeowners and landlords must upgrade their smoke detectors before selling or renting homes and apartments in New York State. This does not include previously installed smoke detectors. Smoke detectors wired or battery have a life span of approximately ten years. While these new 10-year smoke detectors have a larger upfront cost than traditional alarms powered by replaceable batteries (approximately \$20 per unit) the lack of yearly battery changes makes them cheaper over the life of the device.

The American Red Cross continues with its "Sound the Alarm Save a Life" campaign. If you call the Red Cross (607-785-7207 ext. 6) you can make an appointment to have up to 3 FREE smoke alarms INSTALLED in your home by volunteers. There are no income restrictions.

Questions Answered:

You can find many of the answers you need to build on our town web site - (www.townofnewarkvalley.com)

Tom Larson



Officials cont.

Town Historian -
Shirley Callahan

Volunteer Historians -

Ginny Mullen

Marty Schneider

Nellie Snapp

Gwen Stephens

Janet Frieman

Jeanellen Parmalee

Sharon Weed

642-8705 or 642-5541

Town Clerk/Tax Collector
- Barb Mock
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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DATES TO REMEMBER

Town Board Meetings: 1st & 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. 2nd Tuesday of each month at 4PM.

Town Clerk: Monday thru Thursday 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Closed Friday

Town Assessor: Monday's 2—5 p.m.

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

Oct. 5-6 39th Annual Apple Festival: 10AM-5PM @ Bement-Billings Farmstead Museum; \$6 adults, \$4 members, \$4 students & \$5 senior citizens (60+), \$20 family rate (2 adults, 3 kids). Free parking. Apples; Pie, Crisp, Ice Cream, Live Music; Plenty of Food, Games, Gift Shop, Tractors of the Past, Blacksmith Demo, and much more! 9241 Rt. 38; 1 mile N. of Newark Valley.; 20 mil. S. of Dryden. For more information go to nvhistory.org