

Newark Valley News

September 2020 (LATE EDITION)

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"News from Your Town"

MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERVISOR'S DESK

Fall is here and so is budget time. This year is going to be a difficult year for the Town's budget. We are doing our best to maintain all essential services without having a large tax increase. New York State has cut our highway aid by 20%. Sales tax revenues are below what we were expecting. Much work went undone when we were shut-down for Covid 19 earlier in the year. Our highway department has been busy catching up and working on flood related damages, from 2018 and 2019.

The State has made it official that they are cutting our state aid by 20%. This includes the states aid to municipalities and the highway improvement aid. This along with declines in sales tax will have a significant impact on our budget.

I would also like to welcome our new Code Officer, Bill Carrigg. He is replacing our previous Code Officer who resigned to home school her children during the Covid crisis.

The Town Board is currently working hard on the 2021 Budget. Even with no salary increases proposed and some cuts, there is a possibility of a significant tax increase due to the loss of sales tax revenue and state aid cuts. The Board's goal is to minimize the tax increase as much as possible. To that end it is conceivable that the public may see a reduction in services.

Some of the items that could be cut out are the contributions to the Youth Program, Library and the Trout Ponds. Also, there may not be funds available to contribute to Newark Valley Days. The Highway Department may be impacted so that it could take longer to get to your road to plow it and less sand and salt may be available. Funds for next year's maintenance are already impacted due to the cut in highway aid.

Stuart Yetter, Jr., Supervisor



TOWN CLERK'S CORNER

**Hours - Monday through 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 un-neutered 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 - Bill 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. **There is a \$10.00 late fee per delinquent dog license.** 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.

2020-2021 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

All projects are completed. We have been working on Maintenance for the people on the gravel roads. As for the 2 floods of 2018 and 2019; we are slowly getting the money in. There will be (1) one lane open for traffic on NV Maine Road across from Irish Town Road sometime after the middle of October. We had to go out for bids to place heavy stacked Rip Rap on both sides of the 6 foot Inlet side only. This is a 2018 flood project which we received the funds for on August 18th 2020, so plan ahead if you go that way to work. I hope to have traffic signals up and working when (the contractor) is placing the Rip Rap. Please be careful with the foggy mornings and remember the School Buses will be out there on the roads again. Please slow down for our guys out there in the work zones, they want to get home safely to their families. Any questions please call the highway barn @ 642-9927. Thanks to all and have a safe and colorful fall.

Charles Meade, Highway Supt.



HISTORIAN CORNER

Do you know where your fore fathers came from - how did they get here?

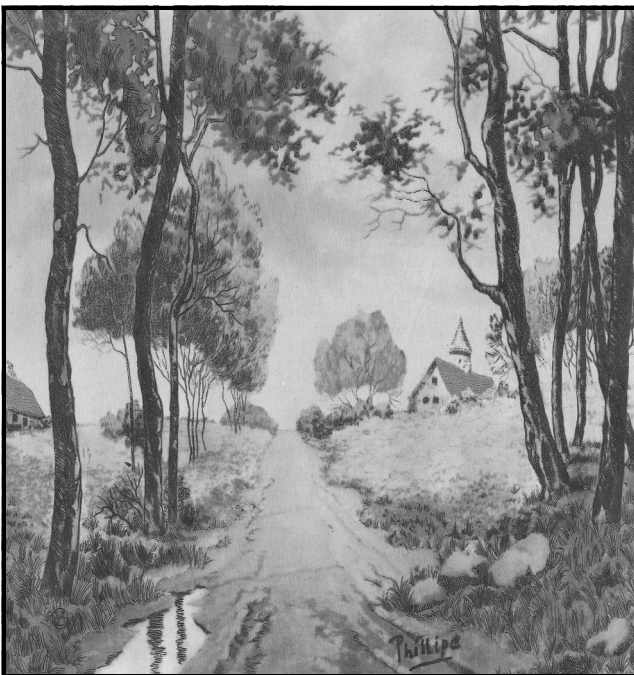
I've been tracing one young couple from Germany in 1895. One paid fare, he stowed away!. Anything to get to America! They landed at Ellis Island, How did they get to Newark Valley? Why? A fast talking "gentleman" spoke to them on Ellis Island about the "fine" farmland he had in Newark Valley, and sold it to them. Newark Valley was "to the west" He didn't say 225 miles!

Conditions on the ship? Weather? Transportation from Ellis Island?, Food? Shelter? Now I'm looking for an old enough map to tell me where this fine farmland was. I know it was hilly and rocky, from family memories. Oh yes, Their baby was born on Ellis Island!

NOW, while you can, PLEASE trace your family's history. We have several, - more would be wonderful. We will help you find resources..

Give us a call, or stop in.

Ginny Mullen, 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 has been transferred to another individual or the dog is deceased - please contact the Newark Valley Town Clerk @ 607-642-8746 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 November 30, 2020. 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

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 11/30/2020 - Town of Newark Valley DCO, 109 Whig Street, Newark Valley, NY 13811, THANK YOU!

PROJECT NEIGHBOR

FOOD PANTRY

The Project Neighbor Food Pantry has moved from the Methodist Church on Main Street to the former school administration building located at 79 Whig Street. The Pantry hours are every Tuesday and Wednesday from 3 to 4 p.m. The senior pantry is every second Wednesday from 10 to 11 a.m. All residents with a 13811 zip code are welcome to use the pantry.

Call 642-3339 for emergency food needs. Many thanks to all the volunteers who helped with the move.

Shirley Yetter



NV FIRE DEPARTMENT

On July 3, 1934, the Newly formed Newark Valley Fire District purchased a new 1934 Ford/Sanford fire truck for \$4,260. This truck served Newark Valley until 1955 when it was sold to Little Meadows, PA, Fire Company for \$500. In May 1967 Little Meadows sold the truck to a person in southern Michigan, where it was stored in a barn which burned.

In 1991, the truck was salvaged and purchased by Mr. Henry Burger of River-view, Michigan (south of Detroit). From 1991 Mr. Burger meticulously restored the truck to nearly new condition. By chance, the truck was spotted in a car show in Ypsilanti, Michigan, and through the efforts of some Newark Valley individuals and members of NVFD over several years, Mr. Burger donated the truck to NVFD on September 15, 2020, and it was brought back home to Newark Valley.

When life gets back closer to normal, the Sanford will be used in parades, civic events, etc. The truck is now stored with the 1914 Federal fire truck at the fire station.

-submitted by Ken & Marty Schneider

CODE COMMENTS

Hi, I'm Bill Carrigg the new Code Enforcement Officer for the Town. I will be working on Monday's and Friday's from 8 -12, but often stop in during the week to check messages. I would appreciate it if anyone who has an open permit that the work has been completed, please contact me so we can get it closed out for you.

Thanks, Bill Carrigg

Code Enforcement / Fire Marshal
(607)-642-3617

Officials cont.

Town Historian -
Ginny Mullen

Volunteer Historians -

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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Newark Valley, NY 13811

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Postal Customer
Newark Valley NY 13811

COMMUNITY NEWS

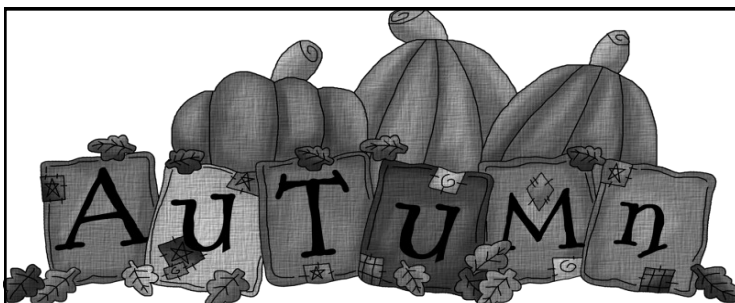
HOPE CEMETARY

This year marks 200 years of operation and the old girl looks pretty good. Let's keep it that way! Over the years several of our caretakers have been volunteers. Others only took partial payment. We've been blessed.

Recently, more trees blew down and a "good Samaritan" cut them up and removed them, THANK YOU!

It's time to remove the faded flowers of summer, which will make it easier to mow and get us in shape for the winter. We appreciate your cooperation in this.

Genny Mullen



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.