

Newark Valley News

September 2021

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"News from Your Town"

MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERVISOR'S DESK

Fall is here after one of the wettest summers in years. Here at the Town Hall, it's budget time and once again everyone is doing their best to keep cost down.

The challenge is that many of the products we use such as fuel, road oils and material such as stone and gravel are increasing in cost much higher than the rate of inflation. This makes staying in the 2% tax cap a real challenge. We also have the challenge of new equipment costs growing as well.

The Town has received a significant amount of COVID recovery money. The restrictions placed on this money are making it a challenge to utilize wisely in the Town, but we are working on that.

This fall we are looking at cutting our newsletter mailing to twice a year rather than quarterly. The post office has increased costs significantly for us to get this letter out to you. We plan to use the website for information at other times of the year.

Another issue facing the Town Board at this time, is the legalization of marijuana products. The Town has to make a decision regarding the ability to have sales of cannabis in the Town and also the ability of having a lounge for on premises consumption similar to a bar.

If the Town Board does nothing these activities will be allowed. The Board has the option to pass a Local Law to opt out of allowing this. If we opt out, the law can be repealed at a later date. If we do not opt out we can never opt out at a later date.

Stuart Yetter, Jr., Supervisor



TOWN CLERK'S CORNER

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

Cash, Check, or money orders are accepted for transactions, WE CANNOT ACCEPT PLASTIC OF ANY KIND.

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 - Chance

Spoonhower

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. **As of July 1, 2018, there is a \$10.00 late fee per delinquent dog license**, 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. 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.

2021-2022 HUNTING LICENSES ARE NOW ON SALE. DMP's are available through October 1st 2021.

Barb Mock, Town Clerk

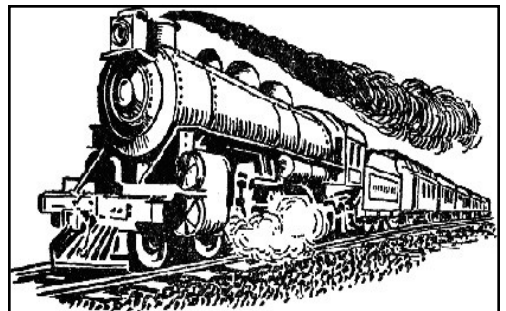
HISTORIAN CORNER

Manny visitors have been enjoying our display at the depot covering 151 years of the history of rail service and the depot in Newark Valley. It's hard to imagine how busy our village was long ago, with 4 passenger and freight trains per day!

A smaller portion of this exhibit will be brought to the Welcome Center for the Apple Festival at the beginning of October. We are also planning the exhibit for the annual Veterans' Dinner offered by the Historical Society, and we continue to sort and catalog the many pieces of Newark Valley history.

Are there any questions about our Town and its people you'd like answered? You'd be surprised at how much information we have about our Town. Come see us from 2-4 on Wednesdays, or call to set up an appointment.

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 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 on the next page in this newsletter to the Newark Valley Town Hall by October 31, 2021. 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. 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 OR 607-339-6566

<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 has been 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 11/30/2021 - Town of Newark Valley DCO, 109 Whig Street, Newark Valley, NY 13811, THANK YOU!

TAX COLLECTOR

ADVANCE INFO for TAX TIME!

Newsletters will now only go out in Sept/March so this is advance notice of hours for 2022 collection. Hours will also be shown on your tax bill.

Tax payment collection hours for 2022 will be:

January 3rd – Feb 28th Mon thru Thurs 2-5 pm;

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

Those wishing to pay early please call for amount and to arrange payment from Mon 12/27/21 – Thurs 12/30/21 between 2-5 pm.

If you do not receive your tax bill and your taxes are not paid by your mortgage company/bank please call in January so that one can be re-mailed or emailed to you or you can be given amount of bill over the phone.

Payment may be made by check, money order, or cash. Cards not accepted. Mail in payments are welcomed. Payment must be post-marked for month being paid.

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

CODE COMMENTS

Hi, I'm Chance Spoonhower the new Code Enforcement Officer for the Town. I will be in the office Tuesday's and Wednesday's from 7 a.m.-10 a.m. I will be available by phone during the day for questions or concerns, just call the office number (607)-642-3617.

Chance Spoonhower, Code Enforcement / Fire Marshal

HIGHWAY HAPPENINGS

This will be my last newsletter for you folks. In December my term runs out and I will be retiring. It has been a pleasure serving the residents of the Town of Newark Valley.

We have two (2) areas that need pipes changed, but I won't know about doing them until September or October. I filed with the State of New York for grants to replace crossover pipes, one on Barber-town Road and one on Dalton Hill Road; both are larger than 6' tall and 10' wide. All other projects are completed. I am now waiting for canceled checks to send out for reimbursements for the completed projects.

Again, thank you for allowing me to be your Highway Superintendent for 36 years.

Charles Meade, Highway Supt.

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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COMMUNITY NEWS

HOPE CEMETERY NEWS

Summer has come to an end and it is time to remove faded flowers and any tattered decorations in an effort to prepare the grounds for winter. All decorations should be removed so the last mowing and trimming around the stones can be accomplished. This will make it much easier for spring clean up.

Hope Cemetery Board of Trustees



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.

