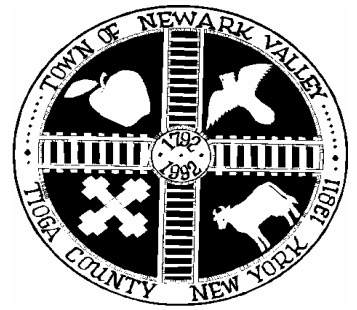


# NEWARK VALLEY NEWS



December 2024

On the Web at [www.townofnewarkvalley.com](http://www.townofnewarkvalley.com)

## MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERVISOR'S DESK

The year of 2024 was actually pretty favorable for the Town of Newark Valley. All of our anticipated revenues came in over budget. The anticipated expenditures came in under budget. This allowed us to use some surplus to keep the tax rate from increasing a significant amount. It appears that we will also have some excess to transfer to our capital reserves accounts to help with future expenses. We are fortunate to have remained debt free for another year. Our financial well being is a result of hard work from our employees to keep expenses in line. The Highway Superintendent has been diligent about finding cost savings wherever he can. It has been a group effort that has paid off for the taxpayers. That being said we do have some expenditures looming on the horizon. We are planning the purchase of a new plow truck to the tune of nearly 350,000.00 dollars. While we have some savings for this purchase it is anticipated we will need to bond for part of the cost. We are also going out to bid for repairs on the Dalton hill bridge abutment. This will be an unknown expense until further research and bids come in. The Highway superintendent and the Town board are working to find the best and most economical solution to this issue.

As it appears we may be in for more of a real winter than we have been used to I would like to say a few things. Please slow down and be careful. Please equip your car with tires good for winter driving. The Town cannot keep all roads bare 24 hours a day. Our crew works tirelessly during each storm to keep the roads as safe as possible. Mother nature has far more power at her disposal than we have.

When cleaning your driveways please remember it is illegal to push snow into or across the road. This activity could result in legal action against a homeowner.

May everyone have a safe and happy holiday season.

Town Supervisor, Stu Yetter, Jr.

## TOWN CLERKS CORNER

Hours:

Monday thru Thursday 10 AM to 1 PM

Phone: (607) 642-8746

Accepted forms of payment to the Town Clerk are cash, check or money orders,

**NO Credit/Debit cards accepted.**

## DOG LICENSING

Dog Licenses are required in the Town and Village of Newark Valley.

Fees: Spayed/Neutered \$10.00

Non-spayed/non-neutered \$20.00

Keep in mind, you may also renew by mail, with the proper paperwork, and a receipt can be mailed back to you. If you are licensing a new dog, please specify that on your paperwork.

## Get to know your Officials!

### *Supervisor -*

Stuart Yetter, Jr.  
Office: 642-8746  
Can be reached during  
daytime hours at  
642-8084

### *Town Board Members -*

Lucy Johnson  
Joseph Tomazin  
Warren Smith  
Brett Walter

### *Court Officials -*

Justice John Schaffer  
Court Clerk Yvonne  
Tuetken  
642-5278

### *Dog Control Officer -*

Denise Liske  
642-3287

### *Code Enforcement Officer/Fire Marshal -*

Dan Cheresnowski  
642-3617

### *Highway Superintendent*

Steven Joe Tennant  
642-9927

## Town Clerk—cont.

Licensing your Dog: Rabies Certificate and a Spay/Neuter Certificate are required. You will receive a tag that is good for the life of your dog. If you need to replace a tag, the fee is \$3.00.

Renewals: Renewal notices are sent mid-month. There is a \$10.00 late fee for a delinquent Dog License renewal. Please notify the office if your address or phone number has changed. If you no longer have your dog, or you have moved, please notify us so

## HANDICAP PARKING PERMITS FOR TOWN RESIDENTS ONLY

**(Residents of the Village should go to the Village office).**

- ◆ Please complete a DMV handicap parking permit form. (Available on our website, at the Town Clerks office, or your doctors office)
- ◆ You will need to have the form signed by your doctor; bring the signed and dated form along with your drivers license.
- ◆ There is NO charge for the permit.

## REGISTRAR MARRIAGE LICENSES

Getting married? If you plan to get a marriage license from us, please note the following:

**FEE: \$40.00**

**Both bride and groom must be present for the application. The following are required:**

- ◆ Proof of identity (driver's license, non-driver's license, passport).
- ◆ Certified Birth Certificate with a raised seal.
- ◆ Social Security number.
- ◆ Certified Divorce decrees from ALL previous marriages.

### **NOTE:**

- ◆ There is a 24 hour waiting period between the purchase of the license and the wedding ceremony.
- ◆ The license is valid for 60 days.
- ◆ 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.

**IT'S TAX COLLECTION TIME!**  
**TAX COLLECTION PAYMENTS FOR 2025**

**January 1st – May 31st Monday thru Thursday 10 to 1 pm.**  
**January 1st – January 31st Wednesday evenings 5:30 PM to 7 PM**  
**February 5th – May 31st Every other Wednesday 5:30 PM to 7PM**

Those wishing to pay early (in Dec) please call for amount and arrange payment Monday – Thursday between 10 and 1 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.

If you sold property in 2024 and still receive the bill, please either forward to new owner if known or let me know so that I can send a bill to the new owner. If you purchased property in 2024 and do not receive a bill let me know as it may still be in the previous owner's name and I will send it to you. NOTE: Bills are printed according to the ASSESSMENT records. I do not have any control over what name or address is on the bill. Payment may be made by check, money order, or cash. Credit/Debit NOT ACCEPTED. ON-LINE PAYMENT NOT AVAILABLE. Mail in payments are welcomed. Payment must be postmarked for month being paid.

Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Lora Corson

**STATUS OF HOPE CEMETERY  
MAUSOLEUM**



In May 2024 an open house of the mausoleum was held. Over 120 people attended with very positive comments

The donations were very much appreciated.

Our Cemetery Treasurer opened a separate NBT account for the mausoleum funds.

A GO FUND ME account was established on Facebook. The name of the account is: SAVE NEWARK VALLEY'S HISTORICAL MAUSOLEUM: [www.gofundme.com](http://www.gofundme.com). Click on SEARCH in the left-hand corner. Enter NEWARK VALLEY or SAVE NEWARK VALLEY'S HISTORIC MAUSOLEUM. Enter down until the picture comes up. Click on selection.

Based on the feedback from the first open house, an October open house was held.

## Where we stand on progress:

We will be focusing on the outside deterioration. This will be broken down into Phases based on available funding.

An initial assessment of the roof, basement, foundation, and outside facade has been done.

Currently working on a formal Request for Quote for tradesmen bids.

Phase 1 will focus on the front exterior. This will include the removal of loose surface material, masonry resurfacing, and sealing.

We are hoping to get started as soon as we receive the responses to our requests for quotes approved.

## 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. After licensing your dog - should you move, change your contact information, if 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.

**EACH HOUSEHOLD** - Please review and submit the dog enumeration form in this newsletter to the Newark Valley Town Hall by January 31, 2025. 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 might be necessary by the Newark Valley Dog Control Officer to acquire this information.

### REMINDER - \$10.00 Additional Fee for Delinquent Dog Licenses

### TIOGA COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH RABIES VACCINATION CLINIC SCHEDULE

- THURSDAY, JANUARY 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025 5:30PM - 7:30PM  
Candor EMS Building - 58 Main Street, Candor, NY 13743

**LOST/FOUND DOGS** - Keep in mind that most individuals that either retrieve a dog or are searching for their dog will contact the Dog Control Officer - so let's work together to bring these dogs' home. AND please affix their ID tag to their collar for identification as well as it is mandated by the Newark Valley Town Local Law.

**Denise Liske, Newark Valley Dog Control Officer (607)339-6566**

[www.facebook.com/Dog-Control-Officer-Candor-Newark-Valley-Berkshire-Richford-105902665255809/](https://www.facebook.com/Dog-Control-Officer-Candor-Newark-Valley-Berkshire-Richford-105902665255809/)

# Newark Valley Town Historian's Office

[HistoryofNewarkValley@gmail.com](mailto:HistoryofNewarkValley@gmail.com)

**Hours of Operation:** Every Wednesday from 2-4 pm or by appointment, as needed.

The Newark Valley Town Historian office has begun upgrading several areas. Key to these upgrades is the recent acquisition of a new computer and a document scanner. The new IT equipment will support the following goals we have for 2025:

## 2025 GOALS

Install internet access for the Historian's office in the early months of 2025

Upgrade the Town Historian's portion of the Town's web-page.

Continue the scanning/digitization of selected holdings for display/download on the Town's web-page.

Scanning/digitizing into soft-copy files will make searching by keyword available for selected documents.

Continue to digitize the card catalog into a spreadsheet format and make available to the public.

The scanning and spreadsheet conversion tasks are labor intensive and time-consuming. If anyone would like to volunteer a few hours per week to assist, please email: [HistoryofNewarkValley@gmail.com](mailto:HistoryofNewarkValley@gmail.com)

We will be glad to work with you to accommodate your schedule as best we can. The work is not stressful and you can help at your convenience.

Also, we need the following Newark Valley High School Yearbooks:

1980	2000	2014
1981	2002	2017
1983	2003	2018
1985	2004	2019
1991	2005	2020
1998	2011	2021

Please contact the Historian's Office if you have a copy and would like to donate/loan or make available for scanning:

Email: [HistoryofNewarkValley@gmail.com](mailto:HistoryofNewarkValley@gmail.com)

## And finally.....

*People often confuse us-the Newark Valley Historian's Office-with the Newark Valley Historical Society.*

*We are two different entities.*

<i>The <u>Newark Valley Historian's Office</u></i> (That's us...)	<i><u>Newark Valley Historical Society</u></i>
<i>Houses books, documents, photos, scrapbooks, etc. associated with the broad and rich heritage of Newark Valley.</i>	<i>Operates the Bement-Billings Farmstead Museum and maintains 3-D objects, such as models, (other examples...).</i>

## CODE ENFORCEMENT NEWS

Hope everybody is in good health. As you know, heating season is upon us. If you are thinking about installing any kind of heating equipment, such as, wood stoves, pellet stoves, gas heaters, basically anything with a chimney it needs a permit and to be inspected.

Another problem we have in the town, are junk vehicles. Our Junk Vehicle Law states that no more than two (2) unregistered vehicles are permitted on your property. All other vehicles have to be legally registered.

The Town Board of NV has passed Local Law for recreational vehicles and campers, which means living in a camper full-time is considered prohibited in Newark Valley.

A permit will be needed to occupy a camper/recreational vehicle in the Town. Such permit will be good for six (6) months in a twelve (12) month period, renewed every year.

As always if you have any questions, you can call my office at (607) 642-3617 or e-mail me at [nvcode@stny.rr.com](mailto:nvcode@stny.rr.com)

**Code Enforcement Officer, Dan Cheresnowski**

## HIGHWAY TIPS

We made it through the Summer. I hope everyone had a great Summer and Fall. Now Winter is upon us, so please drive carefully and be patient with the Town Employee's, for they are doing their best to keep the roads plowed and sanded.

Also, please don't push the snow from your driveways into the road. Please keep your garbage cans off the road-way, when plowing, we have to go around them and it narrows the road.

We would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy, New Year. Be Safe, and see you in the Spring!

**Highway Superintendent, Joe Tennant**

### **The Project Neighbor Food Pantry**

**79 Whig Street in Newark Valley**

**Hours: Tuesday and Thursday 3:00PM–4:00PM**

**Wednesday Evenings: 6:00PM–7:00PM**

**The Pantry wants to remind the Community we follow the NVC School weather closing schedule—Pantry is closed when school closes.**

We encourage everyone with food insecurity to stop by. Donations can be dropped by or mailed to 79 Whig Street.

Involvement from the community keeps us going.

Project Neighbor may be able to assist families with special dietary needs or restrictions—stop by to discuss your circumstances with the staff, or reach out via Facebook page *Project Neighbor of NV Food Pantry*. Check FB also for Holiday Box registration information for Christmas and Easter or for timely information regarding the pantry.

NOTE: We are looking for volunteer drivers, please call Renee at (607) 642-8412.

## *Officials cont.*

### *Town Historian -*

Neal Clinehan

### *Volunteer Historians*

Marty Schneider

Gwen Stephens

Jeanellen Parmalee

Janet Frieman

Sharon Weed, Alumni  
Historian

Office: 642-8705

### *Town Clerk - Lora Corson*

#### *Deputy Town Clerk*

Fran Alexander

642-8746

### *Tax Collector*

Lora Corson 642-8746

### *Assessor - Terie Huseby*

642-8666

### *Planning Board—*

Chair— Vacant

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 EVENTS



## TOWN HALL INFORMATION

**Town Board Meetings:** 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at  
7:00 PM

**Town Planning Board Meetings:** 2nd Wednesday of each month at  
6:30 PM

**Town Court:**

Trials and Pre-Trials: 2nd Tuesdays of the month at 4:00 PM

Arraignments: 2nd & 4th Thursdays at 4:00 PM

Civil Hearings, Small Claims, Code & Animal Control:  
2nd and 4th Thursday at 4:30 PM

**Town Clerk:** Monday thru Thursday 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM

**Tax Collection:** Monday thru Thursday 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM  
Wednesday evening—5:30 PM to 7:00 PM until Jan 31st,  
February to May Every 2nd Wednesday evening

**Code Enforcement Officer:** Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday  
8:00 AM to 10:00 AM

**Town Assessor:** Wednesday evening 4:00PM to 7:00PM

**Town Hall Receptionist:** Monday through Friday  
10:00 AM to 1:00 PM.