

Town of Groveland

October 2021

Acting Supervisor:William Devine

Additional Board Members:
Steve Atterbury
Amy Phelps
Ron Niedermaier

Town Board meetings Held on the second Thursday of the month at 9:00 a.m. at the Town Hall, 4955 Aten Road. All meetings are open meetings, and the public is encouraged to attend. Fully vaccinated may attend or your welcomed to wear a mask.

Groveland Supervisor

How do I begin to start this newsletter with the loss of Bill Carman (5/31/21) since the last newsletter? I was fortunate enough to work alongside Billy during our big projects related to the Ambuscade Park, water filling station now located at the town hall and the water line to be extended to many roads; I learned from him on the day-to-day items over the past few years serving as his Deputy, his ability to juggle everything was a gift and an honor to serve with him. Even though I come from 25+ years' experience in administration from the successful business at Sweeteners Plus in Lakeville NY; I am always interested and open to hearing anyone's ideas or suggestions. Despite Billy's illness the man always put the town first and always made sure I and others were in the loop. He continues to be an enormous loss to all of us and my continued condolences to his family. My immediate goal is not to change too much this time around but rather keep business flowing while we all fall into our new roles.

I have spent a great deal of time preparing our 2022 Budget and proposing a no change in the levy and staying under the Tax Cap however, with the change in the market values it may slightly affect the tax rate. The public hearing is scheduled October 14th if anyone wants to attend or feel free to stop at the Town Clerk's office to review it.

Ambuscade & Building Improvements

Ambuscade Park Pavilion update has been met with a few delays in the final stages of the bathrooms, the building is complete. With the fall weather approaching us, it seems reasonable to complete the septic in Spring. The group Sons of the American Revolution were the first to utilize the pavilion this year held on 9/11/21. The Board also utilized the memorial date to dedicate a beautiful Oak Tree with Billy Carman's family in honor of Billy. The tree will always be a reminder of Bill's strong dedication to the town especially for the completion of Ambuscade Park. If you have the time, go check out the park to see the pavilion and the tree dedicated to Bill. There is a geo cache marker at the monument on the hill for those families looking for them.

Town Clerk/Collector office hours:

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 9am-4pm Wednesday 12pm-4pm Friday 9am-1pm After hour appointments can be scheduled when necessary

585-243-1750 office 585-243-3810 fax www.grovelandny.org

Recycling and Transfer Station

Warner Road open on
Wednesdays 4:30P.M. -7:00P.M.
and Saturdays 9:00A.M. 1:00P.M. Residency stickers
increased for 2021 to \$45.00
and punch cards are available at
the Town Clerk's office for
\$20.00
(subject to change)



Water Line Extensions to Households Update:

The project known as Town of Groveland Water District No. 1 continues to move forward to provide water service too "portions" of the following roads of Barber Hill Road, Hunt Hill Road, Lee Road, Geneseo-Groveland Road, Morris Road, Gamble Road, Adamson Road, Logan Road, Turner Road, Dantz Road, Bailey Road, State Route 36 Road and Groveland Station Road. It has met the requirements and commitment of funding through USDA Rural Development grants and now. This may not seem worthy to many of the folks that already get public water, but this is an opportunity for at least 136 households/businesses. (A project Billy was very passionate on providing our community.) September 23rd was the recent public hearing to make sure everyone has the updated details. Of course, while the pandemic seems not to end, it has created elevated costs to the project but still falls within the figures presented with the annual unit cost \$826.51 per unit.

I hope our community continues to be healthy and safe throughout the winter months.

William Devine - Acting Town Supervisor

Seniors

Limited...Meet and greet with other seniors every 2nd Wednesday at the Groveland Federated Parish for a 12:30 luncheon.

Contact the Parish for more info or to be placed on the Parish newsletter via email @ 60c.dennison@gmail.com

Geneseo-Groveland Emergency Food Pantry

More than ever Needed!!! Please consider donating to the food pantry. So many of our neighbors are in need and the pantry is bare.

We have s drop box in the town hall or can be taken directly to:

The Presbyterian Church 31 Center Street Geneseo

Contact Betsy Matthews, 585-243-1141 or **bsewnsow@yahoo.com**

Groveland Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Hello from the Groveland Town Clerk's Office, the crisp air of fall is approaching preparing us for hunting season. New legislation for hunters has come out that you must wear either florescent orange or pink on your person when using a firearm this season. As a continued reminder the licensing system for purchasing NYS Hunting and fishing licenses that has been implemented by NYS DEC that requires proof of residency, this includes the youngest of our hunters. Parents we will need your driver's licenses on hand to input into the system for a smooth transaction. Please be patient with our office as we want to sell a license to you but remember it is their system not ours.

I have been asked if I am a notary. The answer is yes I am a notary and would be glad to assist during office hours. The only day that I am not in the office is Tuesday's.

We love that we are able to be back in our office and working with the community again. Stay healthy and keep smiling.

My best to all,

Kimberly Burgess Town Clerk/ Tax Collector

Groveland Town Court

Autumn is here, this is a nostalgic time of year. The "Harvest Time". A time to stop to admire the leaves turning russet and amber in the hedgerows, a time to reflect, a time to gather. COVID is a word I think we all wish we had never heard! Or that at least, was a word of our past so that our "time to gather" was not still so uncertain. While we are not quite there yet, COVID in the rearview mirror so to speak. We are fortunate to be operating The Town Court with dedication and resilience. Our Judges Jenean Love and Mark Bean continue to demonstrate command and leadership, in times of ever-changing court protocols. They are steadfast and proficient at modifying court procedure to comply with necessary COVID restrictions. Court Clerk's Debra Coburn and Sarah Driscoll have been successful in maintaining our regular "in person" appearances for "Day Court" on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Wednesdays of each month. As well as regular office hours of Monday-Thursday (9am-3pm) and Friday (9am-12pm). We all strive to forge ahead, along with the District Attorney's Office to provide the convenience and safety of "Plea by Mail" options for most vehicle and traffic matters. Meaning, the Court personnel work tirelessly with the District Attorney's Office to provide the opportunity to handle these cases completely by mail. It is important to note that in this time still

hampered by COVID restrictions, the Judges and Court Clerks were able to attend "in person" Continuing Education Programs. The Court personnel having completed all required classes ahead of schedule, were able to take Advanced or Elective classes in person. In doing so, better equip themselves to manage cases efficiently, foresee the challenges ahead, and adjust accordingly. We have all endured much since March of 2020. Take time to reflect, take time to stop and look, gather with the ones you love, and remember to be thankful.

Groveland Highway Department

Well it has been a long hot summer and the roads have been holding up relatively well even with all the thunder storm. The downside to that is the grass in the ditches have grown superfast in between cuttings, but we keep plugging along. Our summer projects have been wrapped that include:

- A Full depth reclamation on Turner Road and 2 layers of oil & stone.
- 1 layer of oil and stone to finish up Dantz Road.
- The top part of Bennet Hill Road by the church will also get full depth reclamation, with the middle part of Bennett Hill Road got 14" gravel before and 2 layers of oil and stone.
- Dantz Road and Swan Hill Road received 1 shot of stone and oil to finalize last year's work.
- Abele Road we dugout 2 bad spots and completed with 1 shot of oil and stone.
- Barber Hill Road from Hunt Hill Road to Maple Beach Road also received 1 shot of oil and stone.
- In addition, we completed extensive ditching and graveling on Bath and Barber Hill Road along with our regular maintenance of roads and equipment.

With the end of summer upon us we will start to prepare our equipment and put the snow fence up....I know it sounds premature, but I am looking forward to not swatting mosquitos.

If you have any questions, please feel to call me at 243-2970; otherwise, wishing you all a safe winter.

D. Mark Caldwell Highway Superintendent

Lake View Cemetery has burial plots for sale.

Contact Joe Snyder for prices and plot location 585-335-9820

FIGHT the BITE

Protect against mosquitoes
They Need Water to
BREED

- Remove used tires from your property
- Turn over wading pools and wheelbarrows
- Keep swimming pools properly chlorinated
- Dump water from children's plastic toys
- Repair holes in screens

Groveland Code Office

As Daylight Savings Time will end on Sunday, November 7, it is a good time to remind all to change their batteries in smoke detectors. Carbon monoxide (CO) detectors are now required on each floor where gas, oil, or wood is used for heating.

As a reminder, with lots of building projects still going on, any rough sawn lumber needs to have a certification of inspection issued by a lumber grading or inspection agency in lieu of a grade mark. ([NY] R602.1.1 Sawn lumber)

If you have any questions in regard to permits or code issues, just email me or give me a call and I will be glad to answer. My email is codeenforcement@grovelandny.org and phone is (585) 447-1358.

Ron Maxwell
Code Enforcement Officer

TRAFFIC ALERT:

The NYSDOT is progressing a project to address the poor pavement condition on NYS Route 408 at the I-390 ramps (Exit 7) in the Towns of Groveland and Mount Morris. The project will replace the existing broken up concrete pavement with a new full depth concrete pavement section. In addition, we will be replacing an existing box culvert on Route 63 within the project limits. In order to construct the new concrete pavement and replace the culvert, the I-390 on/off ramps will need to be closed and Route 63 at the culvert will also need to be closed. (Estimating between Jul-Aug 2022) The work is scheduled to be completed in the 2022 construction season.

This is still in the planning phase and not sure what Detours will be planned.

Be Safe & Be Kind!