

Town of Groveland

May 2018

Town Clerk/Collector office hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Fridays 9:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M., Wed. Noon - 4:00 P.M. 585-243-1750 office 585-243-3810 fax www.grovelandny.org

Supervisor:

William E. Carman

Deputy Supervisor:Bill Devine

Additional Board Members:

Steve Atterbury Amy Phelps Ron Niedermaier

Town Board meetings

are held on the second
Thursday of the month at 7:30
PM at the Town Hall, 4955
Aten Road. All meetings are
open meetings, and the public
is encouraged to attend.

Groveland Supervisor

Town Water Anyone?

The new water line went in this past year. If anyone living on the water route that runs to the prison would like to hook up to the water line, please contact the Livingston County Water & Sewer Authority at 585-346-3523. The projected date for water availability is in June.

If anyone living on the side roads adjacent to the main water line to the prison are interested in town water, we would like to know. Please contact myself at the Town Hall **in writing** with your name, address, property address, and phone number. By contacting me, you are not obligating yourself. You would only be giving us a tentative district for feasibility. Our intent is to try to form one district to encompass all the residents interested. We would try to secure grants or funding to defray the cost of water main service to those residents.

Welcome

A warm welcome to the new Planning and Zoning Board Secretary, **Diane McMullan**. Diane has several years' experience as secretary and will be a great addition to our Town.

Earth Day

April 22nd was Earth Day. The first annual County-Wide cleanup was organized by our own Pete Dolan and was a great success! There were 40 folks in attendance for a great community turnout.

Bill Carman - Town Supervisor



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 for 2018 are \$25.00 and punch cards are available at the Town Clerk's office for \$20.00

Geneseo-Groveland Emergency Food Pantry

Please consider donating to the food pantry. So many of our neighbors are in need and the pantry is bare.

The Presbyterian Church 31 Center Street Geneseo

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

Groveland Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Nice to see all the trees starting to bloom and the daylight lasting longer. Most of you may already know we have converted to the punch cards for the transfer station aka "the dump." They are the size of a business card with a \$20 value and 20 punches. If you have any of the old coupon booklets they are still good but best to use up first.

We have posted the 2018 Free Rabies clinic on the town website and several copies at the counter.

2018 Taxes was a bit different with the Tax Reform Law that landed many of you in the office before January 1st. It seems the law is still being worked out and may take until June or July before we all understand the reason for it and whether it was worth paying the taxes early. Our office has always allowed early pay as long as the warrant is issued to collect before January 1st. In addition, to the Tax Reform our county who prints all the tax bills have opted to outsource the bills, which had a few hiccups but nothing major, more for in-house. I would recommend you all taking a moment to verify the address on your tax receipts are correct as this is the address used for all assessment or exemption notifications.

Sandra Bean
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Groveland Town Court



Groveland Town Court remains extremely busy with the implementation of so many new court rules and regulations as well as the increase in criminal cases. A recent court night saw 104 cases on the judge's docket. Be mindful the court has seen a significant increase in the number of criminal cases. Criminal cases are

timely and require a considerable amount of paperwork. All criminal cases require the Judge to provide the defendant with an "Order to Counsel in Criminal Case". DWI cases may require the Judge to consider a Negotiated Plea Recommendation between the Assistant District Attorney and Defense Attorney/Client, ensure the Defendant has entered into this plea of his/her own free will, is not being coerced, is aware that by pleading guilty they may be giving up their right to a trial, etc. Other paperwork may include an Order for an Ignition Interlock Device and a Financial Disclosure Report, DMV Suspension Forms, and Securing Order/Commitment Order Forms. Judges' also need to determine bail if defendant is deemed to be a flight risk. Judge Love has been appointed Vice-President of the Livingston County Magistrate's Association. Judge Livingston remains a Director of the Livingston County Magistrate's Association. Court Clerk, Terri Rider was appointed by the New York State Association of Magistrates Court Clerks to the position of Treasurer. The NYS Court Clerks Association currently has over 1400 active members. Additionally, Ms. Rider was appointed Chairperson for the Scholarships Committee and Finance/Budget Committee. Ms. Rider will be teaching the Fiscal Responsibilities Class offered at the Houghton College training on May 9, 2018. Ms. Rider has

also applied for and received \$13,902.85 for this year's Justice Court Grant. The Court has secured a total of \$39,078.80 since 2015 for improvements. Please stop by and visit our facility.

Groveland Highway Department

Hopefully, winter is behind us. Once again, the Highway workers'; Mark, Dave, Scott John and Jordan have done a great job keeping our roads clear.

As Spring approaches, tree trimming and clean up from Winter begins. We are planning to repave Adamson and Service Roads, grade dirt roads, gravel Bennett Hill Road and install a cross over pipe on Morris Road. Please slow down when approaching work zones. Let's have a safe summer.

James Love Highway Superintendent

Seniors!

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

The March meeting will be at the Murray Hill and includes a tour.

Contact the Parish for more info

Groveland Code Office

The start of 2018 began with the required Annual Fire Inspections for Churches and local businesses. It is important that homeowners remember that NYS Property Maintenance Code requires smoke detectors in every bedroom and a carbon monoxide detector on every floor of a home. Smoke detectors have a life use of 10 years and carbon monoxide detectors have a life use of 5 years. * Homeowner tip- Mark the inside of your smoke detector with the date of installation. *

The water line that is servicing the NYS Correctional Facility in Groveland has been progressing with pump stations and water tank installation. I have been working with LCWSA to do the appropriate inspections on the pump stations and water tank.

Spring time often is the time of year to begin household projects. Please keep in mind that Building permits are a requirement in Groveland. Should you have any questions regarding the necessity of a permit, contact me. I can be reached by phone at (585) 447-1358 or by email at codeenforcement@grovelandny.org.

Ron Maxwell - Code Enforcement Officer