

# TOWN OF PARISHVILLE NEWSLETTER JANUARY 2018

## FROM THE DESK OF THE SUPERVISOR:

On behalf of the Parishville Town Board, I'd like to publicly thank all that support our efforts to continue improving our community. As the New Year approaches, we will be losing two very dedicated public officials from our local government. Shirley Robinson, with over 30 years serving the Town of Parishville in various capacities, and Pat Remington with 20 years of service as Highway Superintendent. These two representatives have given so much to our community over the years and certainly deserve to enjoy their retirement years, reflecting on all of the positive work they have accomplished for the residents of Parishville. We hope to continue with their vision and follow their lead, representing the Town in a positive manner to achieve the absolute best services possible. Thank you, Shirley and Pat.

Recently the Town was presented with the opportunity to purchase a blighted property within the hamlet. After much discussion and generous contributions from some local residents and organizations, the Town was able to acquire the property and clean it up. This site will make a nice extension to the River Walk project for all to enjoy. We look forward to breathing new life into this property, as we work to keep our community clean for those that live here and attractive to those who may be contemplating residency. Monetary donors for the purchase of this property included; Pat & Sherry Remington, Connie and Evan Harper, the Parishville ATV Club, the Parishville Fire Dept., Sons of Amvets Squadron 265 and Amvets Post 265. As well, the Town of Parishville extends a very special thanks to the Town of Colton Highway Supervisor, Kevin Hawley, for his assistance and equipment during cleanup of the site. Projects such as this define what the North Country is all about, neighbors helping neighbors. Our sincere gratitude goes out to all that helped make this project possible.

During the past election season our community experienced an entourage of unnecessary, fabricated garbage, displayed by a handful of people with no obvious moral character and/or regard for their neighbors. Facebook, originally intended to keep people connected through social media, was turned into a cesspool of slanderous misconceptions and lies designed to cast a negative opinion in an effort to win votes. We can only hope our community is never subject to such disgraceful behavior in the future, elections should be won on the foundation of a candidate's character and merit, not a negative portrayal of their opponent. Dirty politics have no place in our community. In 2018, the Town Board will strive to continue our tradition of making Parishville a place people young and old can enjoy with their families. We encourage folks to attend our monthly meetings and bring your ideas for discussion.

As always, my door is open and I welcome your input in the operation of Town business.

Although I do not have set office hours due to my full-time work schedule, you can find me at the Town office after 4pm most evenings. You may also reach me at 265-2131 ext. 2 to leave a message and/or set up a time that we could meet to discuss your important matters.

Thank you all for your continued support and we wish you the best in 2018.

## **Rodney Votra** *Supervisor, Town of Parishville* **Board Meeting Dates/Times**

01/23/18 @6PM	07/24/18 @6 PM
02/27/18 @10 AM	08/28/18 @10 AM
03/27/18 @ 10 AM	09/25/18 @10 AM
04/24/18 @ 6 PM	10/23/18 @ 6 PM
05/29/18 @ 10 AM	11/27/18 @10 AM
06/26/18 @ 10 AM	12/27/18 @10 AM

## TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR

Wow, 2018 already? What happened to 2017? January as usual, is time for the Town and County Tax bill. Tax payments may be paid in full without penalty until January 31<sup>st</sup>. After that time, a penalty for each month will be assessed. If you wish to pay in 3 installments, the first one must be received or postmarked by January 31<sup>st</sup>. All payments made through May are payable to my office. Tax receipts are mailed if you request one by checking the receipt box on the payment stub. Receipts are automatically mailed if your taxes are escrowed through a financial institution. With postage being .49 it saves a great deal of money if it is not wanted or needed. The Town Clerk's Office also handles dog licenses, hunting and fishing licenses, marriage licenses, birth certificates and death certificates for folks who are born or die within the township, FOIL requests and Disabled Parking Permits. I am also a Notary Public. My office is open Monday (9 to 5), Tuesday (9 to 4), Thursday (9 to 4) and Friday (9 to 12). I am closed on Wednesdays and take lunch from 12 to 1. The answering machine is checked each day when I am not in the office and will return your call if you leave a message asking me to do so. Feel free to contact my office if you need assistance or would like to set up an appointment outside of office hours at 315-265-6180 ext. 1 or email- [tcparishville@yahoo.com](mailto:tcparishville@yahoo.com)

**Connie Maguire- Town Clerk /Tax  
Collector/Registrar/Records Management  
Officer/Notary Public**

## News from the Historian

Restoration efforts have continued this year at our Museum. Our goal is to have a facility that can be heated and used throughout the year. In the meantime, please feel free to call me for any historical or genealogical questions @ 315-244-3303, or [josephm73@yahoo.com](mailto:josephm73@yahoo.com)

**Joseph R. McGill, Historian**

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## HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

As the new Highway Superintendent, I plan to take the best care possible of the roads in the Town of Parishville. In the winter, to keep them clear of snow and ice and in the summer, repairing damaged roads and paving as many as possible each year. I will also be fair to all taxpayers and would like to thank them for voting me into office. We work very hard and many hours during the winter months to provide safe travel throughout our community. To better help us, we'd like to remind you that plowing snow across the highway is not only illegal, but creates a serious safety hazard for travelers. We do our best to keep the sidewalks clear of snow and appreciate your help by avoiding parking vehicles on sidewalks or roadways this time of year. *Steve Hart- Highway Superintendent*

## TRANSFER STATION

If assistance is needed the Transfer Station attendant will be more than happy to help. Glass and plastic containers and aluminum cans that are rinsed out are placed in the same compactor as cardboard and **CLEAN** paper for recycling. Please do not place broken dishes or paper plates in the recyclable bin. These items are trash. Items such as plastic lawn chairs and toys, go in the trash compactor or overflow bin. Oil cans, anti-freeze containers and **5-gallon buckets** are considered trash and should also be placed in the compactor. We can no longer accept fluorescent bulbs or the old large computer monitors or TVs at our Town transfer station. If you have these items to discard, you must now take them to the Casella site in West Parishville for disposal. A reminder that all Parishville residents using the transfer station should have a sticker on their vehicle. These can be obtained at the Town Clerk's Office or Transfer Station for \$1.

Residents are doing a great job helping the Transfer Station run smoothly. Thank you for your continued co-operation.

Transfer Station Hours:

**Wednesday** – 6:30 am- 5pm

**Saturday** - 8am to 5pm

**Sunday** - 7:30am to Noon

The **Colton Pierrepont Parishville Neighborhood Center** would like to take this opportunity to thank the community for their continued support. Our hours in 2018 will remain the same as 2017: Our hours are 9 - 1 Monday and Friday at our center in South Colton; Tuesday and Wednesday at our center in Pierrepont; Thursday at the Town Hall in Parishville. You can call 244-0069 with any questions or concerns. Donations are always welcome at all locations.

## Dog Control Officer:

Please be sure your animals are protected from the elements and kept warm during this cold winter. Food and water should also be available. A reminder that New York State law requires all dogs, 4 months of age and older, need to be vaccinated against rabies and licensed within the township. The cost of licensing for a spayed/neutered dog is \$5.00 per year and the cost for an unspayed/unneutered dog is \$15.00 per year. You may license your dog for one year, two years or three years depending on the expiration date of the rabies vaccination. We will be hosting our annual rabies clinic on April 19 at the Parishville Fire Station from 6 to 7 PM. Call 315-265-2922 if assistance is needed.

*Robert Phillips- Parishville Dog Control Officer*

## PARK AND RECREATION

The ice rink has been open since the end of December. Hours are 1 pm-8pm daily-weather dependent. Notifications can be found on Facebook on the PARC page. There are many sizes of skates available to use, free of charge. The PARC committee is hosting a Learn to Skate program on Saturdays in January (12p-1p is beginner level, 1p-2p is intermediate level); **ALL** Ages are welcome. No registration is required, but a \$3 donation would be appreciated. Watch for Rock 'N Skate events coming later this month and February. Dates to be determined.

## From the Office of Code Enforcement

\*As of October 3, 2016, New York State has adopted the 2015 International Uniform Code, replacing the 2010 New York State Code. Please feel free to call our office to inquire about changes that may affect you.

\*The Town of Parishville requires building permits for additions, garages, all structural work, decks, roofing, pools, woodstoves, chimneys and any interior renovations of 50% or more of your home. Outbuildings greater than 144 sq./ft. also require a permit.

\*In 2013, the Town passed a law stating that all rental properties must be inspected once every three years or whenever a new tenant assumes occupancy.

\*Please be sure to maintain the fire protection systems in your homes. Smoke detectors are to be replaced every 7 years, while carbon monoxide alarms are to be replaced every 5 yrs.

*Joseph R. McGill, Code Enforcement Officer*

## News from the Assessor

Enhanced STAR renewal forms have been mailed out. Taxpayers 65 years and older are eligible for the Enhanced STAR program. Please remember to return these completed forms no later than March 1, 2018 and to include your 2016 proof of income.

*Joseph R. McGill, Assessor*