



Town of Saratoga News

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Warm Greetings to Everyone!

Once again the summer has flown by and it does not seem possible that September has arrived! September will be another busy month filled with town activities. The next meeting of the Town Board is scheduled for Monday, September 11th at 7:00 p.m. Some of the items that will be covered at this meeting include: zoning officer's report, town clerk's report, supervisor's report, town hall building committee report, adult entertainment law public hearing, and committee reports. The Town Hall Building Committee will meet on Wednesday, September 6th at 6:00 pm and the Town Board Agenda meeting will be held on Thursday, September 7th at 7:00 pm. The town offices will be closed Monday, September 4th in observance of the Labor Day Holiday. Beginning Tuesday, September 5th, the Town offices will be open daily Monday thru Friday from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.

The Building Committee continues to meet and review space needs and building location options. It is now apparent that we will not meet our original goal of presenting a building proposition to the voters at the November general election. We need additional time to review alternatives and schedule meetings with residents of the town to obtain their opinions and suggestions. A special vote will be scheduled in the future.

We have conducted our first budget workshop and are off to a great start. Our goal is for no increase in the current town tax rate.

There is currently an opening on the Board of Assessment Review. This board normally meets two times a year to review assessment concerns and make recommendations for changes as needed. If you are interested in serving on this board, please contact Tom Wood, Supervisor.

The town board has received requests for the installation of four-way stop signs at the intersections of Burgoyne Road and DeGarmo Road and Burgoyne Road and Hayes Road. Saratoga County Department of Public Works is looking into this request. In addition we have received concerns about the intersection of Loudon Road and NYS Route 29. This has been referred to the NYS Department of Transportation for their review.

Town Youth Festival

The Town of Saratoga and Town of Northumberland will jointly sponsor the 2nd annual Youth Festival at Fort Hardy Park on Saturday, September 16th from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm. The day will be packed with activities including organized games such as tug of war, three legged races, a water bucket brigade contest, a sack race, an egg and spoon relay, interactive booth games, volleyball and kick ball. There will be arts and crafts, a bounce house, inflatable slide, pony rides, and a demonstration by Pai's Tae Kwon Do Studio. In addition, Toukie the clown and Maure Wade the ventriloquist will perform, the Sheriff's department will do free fingerprinting, the fire department will provide fire safety information, and there will be free food for all children. The program will end with a special fireworks display. This promises to be a fun filled event for all residents of the Town of Saratoga and Town of Northumberland and will be held rain or shine. Spread the word and encourage all children to participate.

Name the Town Park

We are in the process of identifying a name for the new town park to be located on Route 29 across from the Farmer's Daughter. Residents are encouraged to submit suggestions to Tom Wood.

Revised Adult Entertainment Law

The town board has prepared a new revised adult entertainment law for review by the public. The new law identifies the Rural Zone as the possible location for adult businesses. Separation distances between adult businesses and other uses have been increased to 1,000 feet and the lot size requirements have also been increased. A public Hearing will be conducted at the September 11th meeting. A copy of the proposed law is on the town web page.

Dog Control Officer Information

Recently there have been a number of dog related incidents in the Town. If you have a dog related problem call Rick Sullivan, Dog Control officer at 692-2153 or 222-0137. If he is not available contact the Saratoga County Sheriffs Department or the Saratoga County Animal Shelter.

9-1-1 Information Verification

Town residents can now call 884-4769 to verify that the 9-1-1 information in the County Emergency Service Computer System is correct. Everyone is encouraged to call to be sure that the information is correct.