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**Fire Department
Emergency Call 911**

Ripley Hose Company #1
P.O. Box 342
12 South State Street
Ripley, NY 14775
716-736-2001

Mark Smith, Fire Chief
716-736-2490

Ripley Hose Company #2
South Ripley Fire Hall
10268 NE-Sherman Road
Ripley, NY 14775
James Spacht, Deputy Fire Chief
716-269-4754

**Police Department
Actual Emergency Call 911**

Chautauqua County Sheriff's Dept.
Mayville, NY 14757
716-753-4231

RIPLEY TOWN HALL

14 North State Street
P.O. Box 352, Ripley, NY 14775
Ripley, NY 14775

Town Supervisor: Lauree Pless
ripleyts@fairpoint.net
Office: **716-413-8010 ext 6**

RIPLEY TOWN CLERK OFFICE

Ryleigh Enterline, Town Clerk
(716) 413-8010, EXT. 1*
ripleytownclerk@outlook.com
P.O. Box 2, Ripley, NY 14775
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
9:30 a.m. – Noon 1:15 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Saturday Mornings 9 a.m. – Noon
Closed Wednesdays
The Town Clerk's Office is also closed
during various Holidays

TOWN ASSESSOR

Jason Jones
Ripley, NY 14775
716-413-8010 ext 9
ripleyta@fairpoint.net
Tuesday 9:00am-1:00pm

A Message from your Town Supervisor, Lauree Pless

Upgraded phone services

We have officially transitioned to our new phone system. The new contact information for the Town workers can be found on the Town Clerks submission to this newsletter. We have also posted this information at various locations throughout the town. Residents may also pick up a copy of the Town contacts at the Town building in the Clerk's office.

CPR classes

The final summer CPR class at the library took place on Saturday, August 24 at 9:30AM. Assistant Chief Lisa Babcock, Ripley School Nurse, Jaimee Knight and town supervisor, Lauree Pless, were present for this training. We were happy to work together and see many of you at the library

Town Board Meeting Follow up

Fall large trash day will be held on October 5, 2024 at the Town Highway Department

Hunting- As Fall approaches and hunting season begins, this is reminder that there is no hunting allowed on any Town properties. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Pro-Housing Community Letter – The Town approved the submission of the Pro-Housing Community Letter to New York State. This allows the Town the opportunity to apply for acceptance into a certification program that ultimately supports housing growth and the housing shortage in New York State. Obtaining certification is now required to be eligible for specific discretionary funding grants in New York State . In addition, with the anticipated growth in Ripley, there is a good chance that the Town will need to find additional housing options for new residents that may considering moving to our area.

JUSTICE DEPARTMENT

Justice Vera L. Husted
P. O. Box 573
Ripley, NY 14775
Office: 716-413-8010 ext 2
Clerk: 716-413-8010 ext 2
courtclerk@ripley-ny.com
Monday Evenings 4-6pm
Tuesday & Thursday 9a-3pm
Traffic Court held Monday 6:00pm
Calendar Call held:
2nd Thursday of each month 2pm

BUILDING/ZONING CODE

OFFICER –Melanie Eddy
P.O. Box 2, Ripley, NY 14775
716-413-8010 ext 5
rosco3737@gmail.com
Tues & Thurs 9:00 am-3:00 pm

RIPLEY TOWN BOARD Meets the 2nd Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm at the Town Building located in the Ripley Central School 14 North State Street.

RIPLEY PLANNING BOARD

Meets the 2nd Monday of the month at 6:30pm at the Town Offices located in the Ripley Central School on N State St
The Public is welcome to attend these meetings.

WATER/SEWER DEPT

Andrew Strine
10168 W. Lake Road, Ripley NY
ripleywater@outlook.com
Office: 716-413-8010 ext 7
Cell: 716-223-0740

HIGHWAY DEPT

Jason Jones, Highway Supt.
50 Ross Street
P.O. Box 506
Ripley, NY 14775
ripleyhs@fairpoint.net
Office: 716-413-8010 ext 8
Cell: 716-223-0130

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

Gloria McCormick
716-269-9882

TOWN HISTORIAN

John "Doc" Hamels
C. 716-223-0112

Message from Town Supervisor cont'd

Community Cruise-In- Thank you to everyone that came out to support our community at the Cruise-In held on July 27. A special thank you goes out to Assistant Fire Chief, Lisa Babcock and community member, Kathy Woodruff Holland for all of their hard work and planning. We also thank the school for allowing us to use the front yard area for the band. It was a wonderful event and we look forward to not only continuing this tradition but also finding additional ways to bring our community and visitors together to enjoy our beautiful town.

Ripley Food Pantry

The food pantry is located next to the Town Hall offices and is open on Tuesdays from 2-4PM and on Saturdays from 10Am-12PM. If you need assistance, do not hesitate to stop by and see if you meet the guidelines. In addition, if you would like to donate canned, boxed or frozen items or make a monetary donation, that would be greatly appreciated. Paper products and toiletries are always in short supply and needed as well.

Town Board Meetings

Just a reminder that Town Board Meetings are held every second Thursday of the month beginning at 6:30PM.

TOWN OF RIPLEY PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

Effective 8/12, The Town of Ripley Offices will be transitioning to 1 main number: **(716) 413-8010**

The options to reach each department are as follows:

Town Clerk: **Press 1**

Justice Office: **Press 2**

Highway Dept: **Press 3**

Water/Sewer Dept: **Press 4**

Code Officer: **Press 5**

Town Supervisor: **Press 6**

Water/Sewer Emergency: **Press 7**

Highway Emergency: **Press 8**

Assessor: **Press 9**

Free Food Give-Away from Cornell Cooperative Extension

Please remember, every Saturday through the middle of October, a free box of food is available at the Ripley Public Library. This is not the same as the Food Express which is available on a monthly basis. This is a separate program and is available due to our community being in a "Food Desert". These programs are a wonderful thing and is a boon not only to our community, but also the local farmers who participate with these programs. The farmers receive revenue from the State for their products, Cornell Cooperative Ext. organizes the delivery

and we get to benefit from this. Procedures such as this help keep our economy and our bodies strong. The more you participate, the more people will benefit. This is not a charity, this is fulfilling a need in our community. Let's keep the cycle moving.



September in the Town Clerk's Office

*September Dog License Renewals will be out in the mail by September 1st

Announcements:

The new phone system is in place! A tremendous "THANK YOU" to my Deputy Clerk, Nicole Gollhardt for all of her very hard work. She was diligent and organized in her efforts and followed this big undertaking through to the very end! 716-413-8010 is our new main number. Callers will be greeted with a message listing the extensions to reach all the departments.

A representative from NYS Archives will be coming out on September 26th to help our office with Records Management/Retention/Disposition. If we are not in the office, we will be in the Records Storage Room. A number will be listed on our door to call if you are in need of immediate service.

September Closures:

Monday September 2nd (Have a safe Labor Day Weekend!)

Monday September 16th (NYSTCA Training in Celeron)

Notes from The Clerk:

* If you have questions or concerns with any business regarding the Town Clerk's Office, the best way to resolve them is to speak with myself or my Deputy directly.

We are here to help!

Thank you,
Ryleigh Enterline
Town Clerk

Phone: 716-736-6881

Email: ripleytownclerk@outlook.com

Fax: 716-736-2202

Address: 14 N. State St. Ripley, NY 14775

Welcome to the Molly Show!

Molly Harvey, a SNAP-ED Nutritionist



from Cornell Co-op Extension, visits the Ripley library twice a month, once at 11a.m. and once at 6p.m., to share recipes that are



not only yummy, but healthy and inexpensive. Yes! It is possible to eat healthy without breaking the bank.

Taste testing is always a component of her visits, and many times she brings little goodies such as insulated grocery bags, measuring spoons, or refrigerator temperature indicators.

If you've never been to one of her classes, give it a try. Call the library (716)736-3913, for dates and times.



Each session is different and always a rollicking good time!

We Get Letters

Kudos once more to the fantastic "stuff" going on at the Ripley Library, and to your wonderful Bookworm! Highest of congratulations to the very talented Local Talent, and my good friend, Robyn!! I was so lucky to attend a performance of The Poem, plus four competing plays, and couldn't have been more impressed and thrilled to learn of her "bronze medal"!!! Keep up the fantastic pen work, Robyn!! I was also happy to meet your Annie (Annie Donofrio, library clerk) at Robyn's play, and get to know her a bit as we celebrated Robyn's play with a bit of libation.

The article about the Skinners and the tuberculosis was astonishing!! So very interesting to learn that our former grocer and owner of Skinner's Market and his family had that incredible experience. How very sad for that family...so great that Gil and his sister survived and went on to have happy and productive lives!

Happy 10-year anniversary, Rhonda!!

I do enjoy receiving the Bookworm each month, as well as the About Town. Wow, another Travel Plaza coming to Ripley!! Good, get rid of that adult store that sits where Fergen's Motel used to be...and next to Lee's Restaurant, where many of us worked during high school and college!

Keep up the great work, Rhonda and staff!! Thank you!!

Pat Albaugh

Oneida, NY

Methodist Church Welcomes New Pastor

The Ripley United Methodist Church and the Watts Flats United Methodist Church near Panama will be welcoming a new leader, Dr. Tyler Nelson. He is excited to move back to the area his wife Rachel is from and become a part of the local community. Dr. Nelson studied theology and apologetics, a religious discipline that uses systematic argumentation and discourse to defend religious doctrines, at Dallas Theological Seminary. He recently finished a Doctor of Ministry degree under world-renowned philosopher J. P. Moreland at Talbot School of Theology. His passion is teaching people to think critically about the Christian worldview and helping people to apply worldview principles to their lives. He finds joy in being a husband and father of two daughters. Previously, he served for eight years in ministry with CAMP-of-the-WOODS in Speculator, NY teaching college students theology, Bible, and apologetics, guiding outdoor adventures in the Adirondacks, and serving in pastoral roles with the summer staff at the resort. His passion is teaching people to think critically about their faith and helping people apply these worldview principles to their lives. Please Join us on September 1st, 2024 at 11am to welcome Dr. Nelson into Ripley and our Church family.



Cornell Cooperative Extension | Chautauque County



Free to all community members!

Grow Chautauque Market

DISTRIBUTION OF **FREE** LOCALLY GROWN, RAISED AND PRODUCED FOOD

Distribution Site Location

RIPLEY LIBRARY

64 WEST MAIN STREET
RIPLEY, NY

Weekly
June 15 to
October 26

Local produce, meats, cheeses and more!

**SATURDAYS 11 AM TO 2 PM
(OR UNTIL DISTRIBUTED)**

HOW IT WORKS:

- INDIVIDUALS CAN VISIT ANY OF THE GROW CHAUTAUQUE DISTRIBUTION SITES **(1 PER WEEK)** AND RECEIVE A BOX OF LOCALLY GROWN PRODUCTS AT NO COST
- ID, PROOF OF INCOME OR OTHER DOCUMENTATION NOT REQUIRED
- **FIRST COME FIRST SERVE.** *SOME SITES DO HAVE PRE-REGISTERED PARTICIPANTS. FOOD BOXES NOT GUARANTEED*

Your Grow Chautauque box includes produce and other items from NY farms and producers:

- Ellicottville Greens (Olean, NY)
- Brigiotta's Farmstead Produce (Jamestown, NY)
- Stand Fast Farm (Dunkirk, NY)
- Eden Valley Creamery (South Dayton)
- Lizzie Byler (Frewsburg, NY)
- Roo Haven Farm (Forestville)
- JM Joy Farms (Fredonia)
- Roberto Fred Farms (Dunkirk)
- Yerico Farms (Dunkirk)
- Clymer Produce Auction



CHAUTAUQUE GROWN



Visit Chautauque Grown for more information on local products:
<https://chautauque.ces.cornell.edu/chautauque-grown>

Linnea Haskin, Community Food System Educator

lmc373@cornell.edu
716-664-6327 ext 210



Ripley Hose Company No. 1

15 South State Street
Po. O. Box 342
Ripley, NY 14775

Total calls answered:

23 calls from July 23, 2024 – August 18, 2024. (7 of the 23 calls were mutual aid)

Emergency Medical Service Calls: 16

Fires: 4

Motor Vehicle Accident: 1

Service Call: 2

Total calls to date for 2024 – 217

Training completed by our members:

On July 29, 2024, Chief Mark Smith, 1st Assistant Chief Jason Fisher, 2nd Assistant Chief Lisa Babcock and firefighter Ron Testrake, attended an informational session regarding the Chautauqua County Dive/ Rescue boat at Barcelona Harbor.



On August 13, 2024, members participated in various water trainings pertaining to accessing hydrants and operating the engine and tanker.

Ripley Hose Company No. 1

15 South State Street

Po. O. Box 342

Ripley, NY 14775

Thanks to everyone who participated!



Ripley Fire District CPR Training

in partnership with Ripley Public Library, Ripley School, and the Town of Ripley.

Provided by:

American Heart Association Instructor and Ripley Hose 2nd Assistant Chief, Lisa Babcock,

Town of Ripley Supervisor, Dr. Lauree Pless

Ripley Central School's Nurse, Jaimee Knight.

We're pleased to support the American Heart Association and its important mission to increase survival from cardiac arrest.

Ripley Hose Company No. 1

15 South State Street

Po. O. Box 342

Ripley, NY 14775

Community Outreach:

On August 6, 2024, Ripley Fire District in partnership with Ripley School, The Town of Ripley, and the Ripley Library, offered basic American Heart Association HEARTSAVER CPR class at the Library! 2nd Assistant Chief and CPR instructor Lisa Babcock, Town Supervisor Lauree Pless, RCS School Nurse Jaimee Knight, and Ripley Library Director Rhonda Thompson were pleased to offer this opportunity to Ripley community members!

The last CPR class / opportunity will be for basic HEARTSAVER certification was held on Saturday, August 24, 2024, 10a-12p. To register contact Lisa Babcock at babcocklisa61@gmail.com or call/text 716-753-0901. Class will be held at the Library!

On July 24, 2024, Members of Ripley Hose # 1 spent a few hours cleaning up a part of downtown in preparation for our Community Cruise-In.



Cornell Chautauqua Grow Program Sees Success and Keeps Growing...

From an Article Contributed by Cornell Cooperative Extension of Chautauqua County)

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Chautauqua County is excited to share the success and growth of its pilot program Grow Chautauqua funded via the USDA and NY State Department of Agriculture and Markets New York Food for New York Families initiative.

Launched on June 12th, the program has partnered with several food access and community organizations to bring local, fresh produce items and food products directly to community members at no cost.

Distributions occur weekly at the Ripley Library as well as locations in Jamestown, Dunkirk, and Chautauqua County Rural Ministries.

So far this season, CCE has distributed over 50,000 pounds of locally grown, raised and produced products. Per the NYFFNYF program, farmers and food producers are compensated full market value for all products, which are then distributed in designated 'low-food access' areas, or parts of the county where individuals face difficulties acquiring fresh, local produce due to transportation barriers, cost, or factors such as age or race.

Farms and businesses who have contributed product to the program include: Yerico Farms, Roberto Fred Farms, Feinen Farms, Maggitti Farms, Miller's Apples, Stand Fast Farm, all from Dunkirk; Sunshine Honey-Sherman; Degolier Maple Products and Roo Haven, both from Forestville; JM Joy Farms and Enjoyable Acres of Fredonia; Abers Acres-Kennedy; Amanda Byler-Frewsburg; Eden Valley Creamery-South Dayton; Ellicottville Greens-Olean; Green Heron Growers-Panama; Carli Cook-Stockton; Clymer Produce Auction-Clymer, Lizzie Byler-Frewsburg; and Bit-o-Breeze Farm and Snowbelt Gardens of Jamestown.

Produce is delivered by farmers to main partner Brigiotta's Farmland Produce & Garden Center where it is packaged for distribution. Other items are offered on a rotating basis and include beef or pork products, cheese, fresh baked bread, jams and jellies, eggs, and maple syrup or honey.

"The program has always been about increasing food access, first," says Community Food System Coordinator Linea Haskin.

The program is also a benefit for local farmers, many who struggle to find consistent markets for their products. Derek Yerico of Yerico Farms shares, "It's a win-win... helps the community but it also gets the farm nice orders...like many, this year has been tough. We are honored and thankful to be a part of the program."

All community members are welcome to receive a Grow Chautauqua box weekly, at no cost with no ID or income eligibility requirements. Boxes are first come first served.

Farmers or food producers interested in participating in the program can contact Haskin at 717-664-9502, ext. 210.

REMOTE AREA MEDICAL



Providing free, quality healthcare to those in need



PRESENTED BY:



FREE CLINIC JAMESTOWN, NY

SEPT. 14-15, 2024

Jamestown Community College
525 Falconer Street,
Jamestown, NY 14701

SERVICES AVAILABLE:



DENTAL

Cleanings, Fillings, Extractions, X-rays



VISION

Complete Eye Exams, Eye Health Evaluations,
Prescription Glasses Made on Site



MEDICAL

Physical Exams, RX Consultations, Women's Health,
General Exams, & More!



FREE, FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED, NO ID REQUIRED!

FOR MORE INFO: RAMUSA.ORG | 865.579.1530

There is no reason to go hungry in Ripley, NY

Because Ripley, NY is designated a “food desert,” multiple programs are available to the residents to help offset the high cost of groceries. Please read the newsletters (About Town and The Bookworm) for more information about each program, or call the library for more information.

Mobile Food Pantry monthly at the Fire Hall

The Food Pantry located in the school building on Tuesdays and Saturdays

Grow Chautauqua Market distributed weekly at the library

Free Lunch Program at Ripley Central School

Notary Services

Ryleigh Enterline is a Notary Public and is available during Town Clerk hours to notarize documents, free of charge.

Ripley United Methodist Church has a Prayer Box set up in front of the church at 84 W. Main Street, Ripley, NY. Inside there are slips to fill out with your prayer request. We will bring up all your requests in deep prayer. There is a place to mark if you want to hear from a Pastor.

1pm Thursday
beginning May 30
And every Thursday
@ Ripley United
Methodist Church



Business Cards

Please consider placing your business card or a personal message in The Bookworm. It's a economical way to show your support for the Ripley Public Library! Businesses or individual supporters of the Ripley Library who donate \$5 per month will receive business card space in The Bookworm.

If you or someone you know is in need of help, contact the following numbers:

Chautauqua County Crisis Helpline

1-800-724-0461 (24-hours)

Victims of Domestic Violence & Rape Crisis Hotline

1-800-252-748 (24-hours)

Mobile Crisis Team (supports & services) 716-363-3684

Ripley Mobile Food Pantry

Coordinator, Debbie Dean

Call (814)440-8490 or text

Debbie Dean to pre-register each month.

You must pre-register EVERY month, so that we know how many boxes of food to prepare. Food available from the Mobile Food Pantry varies from month to month.

Pre-register by texting Debbie Dean @ 814-440-8490 or if necessary by phone. Also check Ripley Community Mobile Food Pantry on Facebook for information.



2024 Dates

Sept 25

Oct 30

Nov 27

Dec to be decided

Food prices are high!

Are you taking advantage of the FREE food you can get from the Chautauqua County Mobile Food Pantry and the NYS Office of Food Distribution? The Mobile Pantry has no income qualifications, and the NYS Food Distribution allows income up to \$32,805 for a single person, and \$44,370 for a family of 2! **PLUS** the free food boxes distributed at the library EVERY Saturday through mid-October !

Food Assistance Program

Open Tuesdays from 2 until 4p.m., and Saturdays, 10 until noon.

The Food Pantry is available if a person verbally attests that they fall into one of the following guidelines: Income falls within the guidelines and/or someone in the household participates in: SNAP, WIC, TANF, Unemployment, Disability, SSI, or Free/Reduced lunch program. Contact Phil Chimera via email at shaver58@roadrunner.com for more information.

information.



Office of General Services
Food Distribution

The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) Attestation of Eligibility

Household Size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Annual Income	\$32,805	\$44,370	\$55,935	\$67,500	\$79,065	\$90,630	\$102,195	\$113,760

For each additional family member add \$11,565.

Please be advised there are two different programs. Mobile Food Pantry (at the fire hall) has no income requirement. Feed More WNY (in the school building) income guidelines are listed.

Local Worship

- ◆ **First Baptist Church**
716-736-3800
- ◆ **First Presbyterian Church**
716-736-3042
- ◆ **St. Dominic Roman Catholic Church**
716-326-2816
- ◆ **Stateline United Methodist Church**
No information
- ◆ **Still Waters Mennonite Church**
716-252-6515
- ◆ **United Methodist Church**
716-736-3090
- ◆ **Victory Family Church**
716-338-3199

CODE OFFICER

716-413-8010 ext 5
TUESDAY & THURSDAY
9:00 A.M.—3:00 P.M.

ASSESSOR

716-413-8010 ext 9
TUESDAY & THURSDAY
9:00 A.M.—3 P.M.

COURT CLERK

716-413-8010 ext 2
MONDAY 9 A.M.-3:30 P.M.
TUESDAY 9 A.M.-NOON
THURSDAY 9 A.M.-3:30 P.M.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

TOWN OF RIPLEY
MONTHLY BOARD MEETINGS

Regular Monthly Town Board Meetings
are held at 6:30 p.m.
the 2nd Thursday of each month.

The Town Board meetings are also held
through a Zoom link.

Zoom link can be found on the Town of
Ripley Website

ripleyny.org

NOAH'S ARK
Clothing Store



**Open the 2nd and 4th Saturday
of each month from 10 am to Noon**

CLOTHING FOR INFANTS TO ADULTS!
(most items are just 25 cents)

First Presbyterian Church
20 West Main Street
Ripley, NY 14775

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Bottle and Can Collection

The Library has a collection bin in the lobby for returnable cans and bottles. Don't throw out those water bottles and pop cans! Donate them to the library.

Please be sure all bottles and cans are empty before you place them in the bin.

Resources for Ripley News

Please check these **Facebook/Websites** for up-to-date information concerning Ripley and its residents:

Ripley Hose Company—www.ripleyfire.org

Ripley NY-Alive and Well-Administrator Ruth Blackman

Ripley Central Alumni (Ripley NY)-Administrators Mark Dickey & Connie Wright Middleton

It's Ripley's (Believe it or not) Community Page-Administrator Cindy Eddy

You may be from Ripley, NY if...no administrator listed

Ripley Community Mobile Food Pantry-Administrator Debbie Dean

Ripley NY Perennial Exchange-Administrator Ruth Blackman

Ripley NY Buds- Administrators Coralee Shearer and Stephanie Eimers

The Bookworm/About Time- <https://ripleylibrary.org/>

From Desk of Post Command 2769**Dave Bower, Commander**

SEPT. 2nd LABOR DAY /JAPAN SIGNS SURRENDER 1945

SEPT. 11th PATRIOT DAY

SEPT. 17th CITIZENSHIP DAY

SEPT. 18th U.S. AIR FORCE BIRTHDAY

SEPT 20th POW-MIA RECOGNITION DAY

SEPT 22nd FIRST DAY OF AUTUM

SEPT 26th POST MEETING @ 10:30 @ TOWN HALL

SEPT 29th GOLD STAR MOTHER'S DAY

WE ARE TAKING APPLICATIONS FOR THE HOME TOWN HERO BANNERS FOR NEXT YEAR. COST AS OF NOW IS \$165.00 AND NEED A COPY OF A 8X10 PHOTO. I HAVE APPLICATIONS AND THE TOWN CLERK HAS THEM ALSO. AS ALWAYS WE NEED NEW MEMBERS WE NEED TO BE STRONG SO OUR VOICES CAN BE HEARD IN ALBANY AND IN D.C. REMEMBER OUR TROOPS WHO ARE SERVING TO PROTECT OUR FREEDOM.

**Ripley Trash & Recycle Days**

Located near the Highway Barn on Ross Street, open the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month from 8a.m. until noon. Recyclables may be dropped off on those days. Please enter via North State Street and Park Avenue. Ripley bags may be purchased at the Town Building and at Coffee on Main.

**MINUTES OF THE
TOWN BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 8, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Town Board, Town of Ripley was called to order by Supervisor Pless at 6:30 p.m., in the Ripley Town Hall with the Pledge of Allegiance. The following were present:

Supervisor: Laura Pless
Council: Lee Swoap
Calvin Janes
Town Clerk: Ryleigh Enterline

Dept. Heads: Andrew Strine (Water/Sewer Supt.), Jason Jones (Highway Supt./Assessor) Ray Dyer (Planning Board Chair),

Guests: Janet Skinner, Gary Skinner, Pat Brown, Tom Brown, Diane Jones, Chuck Baum, Nicole Gollhardt

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting dated August 8, 2024 were approved. Councilman Swoap moved and Councilman Janes seconded. This was carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF ABSTRACTS

Warrant No. 8 in the amount of \$40,267.57 drawn on the General Acct. Was presented and audited by the Board Members.

Warrant No. 8 in the amount of \$61,482.02 drawn on the Highway Acct. Was presented and audited by the Board Members.

Warrant No. 8 in the amount of \$45.70 on the St. Light Acct. Was presented and audited by the Board Members.

Warrant No. 8 in the amount of \$4,906.46 drawn on the Sewer Acct. Was presented and audited by the Board Members.

Warrant No. 8 in the amount of \$9,790.08 drawn on the Water Acct. Was presented and audited by the Board Members.

Warrant No. 8 in the amount of \$6,004.34 drawn on the Capital Acct. Was presented and audited by the Board Members.

Supervisor Pless the following motion: that the Supervisor be directed to draw the checks to cover the warrant as allowed for vouchers numbered 517 through 704. This was seconded by Councilman Janes and carried unanimously.

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CORRESPONDANCE

*Phone Updates: Numbers and Timeline

- Deputy Clerk Nicole Gollhardt Announced that the Phone Upgrades will be taking place on August 12th and that there will be new numbers/extensions for the Town Offices.

*Follow up on Hunting on Town Property

- After Speaking with Town Counsel, Supervisor Pless announced that there is absolutely no hunting allowed on Town Property.

*Follow up on Reduction of Speed Limit

- Supervisor Pless announced that the Speed Limit Reduction request has been sent to the County and forwarded on to NYS for Review and to conduct the study on Greenbush Rd.

*Letter from Resident Regarding Hazard on Ripley Beach

* A letter was received notifying the Town that the fencing on the cliff of Ripley Beach was down and that it posed a threat to pedestrians. The fencing was replaced the next day by the Parks Dept.

*

APPROVE THE PRO-HOUSING COMMUNITY RECOGNITION LETTER

Councilman Swoap made the motion to approve the Pro-Housing Community Recognition Letter introduced by the NYS Governor's Office and Community Renewal Commissioner. Seconded by Councilman Janes. Carried unanimously.

FALL LARGE TRASH DAY

Supervisor Pless has tentatively set Fall Large Trash Day for October 5, 2024.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

W/S REPORT: Presented by Councilman Swoap

HIGHWAY REPORT: Presented by Supervisor Pless

PLANNING BOARD REPORT: Presented by Planning Board Chair, Ray Dyer

September Planning Board meeting will be held on 9/9 instead of 9/2 due to Labor Day.

ASSESSOR REPORT: Presented by Supervisor Pless

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CODE OFFICER REPORT: Presented by Councilman Swoap

PARKS REPORT: Presented by Councilman Janes

TOWN CLERK REPORT: Presented by Town Clerk, Ryleigh Enterline.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

The following spoke during privilege of the floor:

Chuck Baum

Janet Skinner

Councilman Swoap made the motion to adjourn.

Seconded by Councilman Janes.

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 PM.

Respectively submitted,

Ryleigh Enterline

Town Clerk