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# Words from the Mayor....

Spring has finally sprung! Winters can sometimes be difficult for many and it sometimes feels longer than it should. I will say that our DPW employees never stop with their responsibilities in the village. Some may say that it was a light winter but for those who have to respond for plowing & salting at all hours of the night......the response may be, "tiresome". The level of response by our DPW employees is exceptional and deserves a wholehearted congratulations. have invested in purchasing a new 6-wheel dump truck at the DPW as well as a new cruiser for the Police Department which you may read about it further in this newsletter.

Our office staff of clerk & treasurer are also top notch. It is amazing to be involved with the number of issues that develop within such a small community but are handled by village hall employees. Our elected village board members worked diligently for three months with budget workshops in order to present our residents with an acceptable and approved budget. Their hard work should not be Josh Greenthal decided not to run for another term as overlooked. trustee and his service will be missed. I would like to welcome our newest trustee, Roy Forshee who has stepped right up with involvement in our budget process.



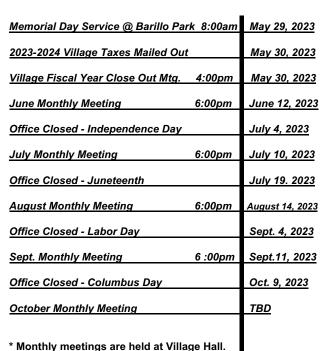
Mayor J. Joseph Ingalls

I would like village residents to know that the Village of North Hornell remembers military service members who gave the ultimate sacrifice in order for all of us to have the freedoms and liberties we enjoy every day. On Monday, May 29, 2023, the village will honor those military veterans who have fallen during their service.

Please join us on May 29th (Memorial Day) @ 8:00AM at Barillo Park for a service of remembrance.

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Barillo Park, Village of North Hornell



\* Changes of meetings will be announced.



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## News from the Clerk's Office......

#### • Taxes and Sewer Payments

Please note when paying your taxes and sewer bills: no payments will be taken after 2:00pm and they must be **paid by separate checks.** 

Please stop in any time or call if you have any questions. 607-324-7894





This CodeRED system provides Village officials the ability to quickly deliver messages to the entire Village of North Hornell.

If you have not signed up to receive these notices or have and your phone number(s) have changed.....please contact the Village Office for your application. (607-324-7894)



Questions or concerns please call the Village Office at 607-324-7894



Kind Regards, Vanessa Scott - Village Clerk 607-324-7894

#### Office Hours for the Village Clerk

Monday 10:00am-4:00pm Tuesday 10:00am-4:00pm Wednesday 10:00am-4:00pm Thursday 10:00am-4:00pm Friday 9:00am-11:00am

Any changes to office hours will be posted as necessary on the website and out in the front of the building. Lunch will be between the hours of 12:00 - 1:00pm.



# Fire Department Chief.....

Greetings from Fire Chief Mike Robbins.

Please remember to frequently check your smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors to ensure that they are working properly. It is a simple thing like that that could save someone's life.

If anyone has any questions for the fire department or would like any information on how to become a member please feel free to contact me at 607-324-1033.

Sincerely,

Mike Robbins Fire Chief









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### Trustee's Column

Hello fellow North Hornell Residents!!

Once again, we would like to thank the North Hornell residents, Vanessa and Kris in the office, Rich and Charlie in the DPW, Mike and all of the volunteers in NHFD, Kyle and the NHPD officers, Bill in the Codes Office, and our Planning and Zoning Board volunteers.

Even in a small village like North Hornell, it takes many people to operate a Village Government. It was eye opening when I became involved as a trustee and now see what goes on behind the scenes to make our village run so effectively. We are very fortunate to have such a group of dedicated people that make our community a great place to live.

As I drive and walk through our village, I am always thankful that the overwhelming majority of our residents keep their property well maintained. Sidewalks are shoveled in a timely manner, lawns are mowed and manicured, leaves are raked, and there is minimal debris in the yards and front porches. All of this matters and contributes to an environment that we can be proud of; as we often hear about these things from people who would like to live in North Hornell. THANK YOU!

We are very lucky to have such an experienced DPW Staff with Superintendent Rich Scavo and assistant Charlie Harrison. They are always on top of keeping our streets in great shape, our drainage system operating properly, leaf and snow management, etc. Probably their best attribute is how well organized and proactive they are. Everything is always well planned out and scheduled. Thanks Rich and Charlie!

Many volunteer fire departments are having difficulty keeping their members. Not the NHFD! Chief Robbins and his officers have created an environment that our volunteers enjoy being a part of and continue to participate on the NHFD team. If you walk into the fire department, you instantly realize how well run the department is and how active the membership is. Thanks to all the volunteer fire staff!

Finally, is the importance of the Clerk and Treasurer's Office. They are involved with all the departments, permits, budgets, meeting preparation, invoices, etc. There are too many responsibilities to list here. Thank you, Vanessa and Kris, for making the day-to-day village operations run so smoothly!



Trustee Joe Flint

# North Hornell Police Department

The Village of North Hornell Police Department continues to serve and protect the property and residents of the Village of North Hornell. We currently are at full staff and providing the hours budgeted in the community. The employees are doing a wonderful job and continue to meet with the residents and appreciate all the support they receive.

Chief Amidon and his staff continue to work very hard upgrading the department and equipment to provide the best service they can. With the support from the North Hornell Village Board and our taxpayers we were recently able to upgrade to a new police vehicle. The old police vehicle was over 15 years old and was not able to support the equipment and needs for today's policing. This vehicle should be hitting the streets this early summer.

The Department is also excited to announce the addition of a New School Resource Officer position at the North Hornell School. A contract was completed between the Hornell City School District and The Village of North Hornell for this new position. The new officer will start at the beginning of the 2023-2024 school year and provide safety and service to the school, staff and student's needs. This program is an asset to the Village of North Hornell as well giving another officer to assist with our residents needs.

Chief Amidon would like to advise the residents of the implemented programs of property check requests, "Coffee with the Chief, Prescription drug drop off program, Surveillance camera registration program and much more.

The department is continuing to research and write grants along with updating the equipment for the officer's use to help improve the safety and needs to better the agency and community of North Hornell.

Chief Amidon would like to advise the residents to continue to slow down as school is still in session and remind the residents of Local Law 131-26: that the maximum speed limit on school days between the hours of 7am to 6pm for that segment of Cleveland Avenue located between Wells Avenue through Bowen Avenues to Seneca Road be established at Twenty (20) miles per hour.

Also, residents need to be reminded to stop for stopped school buses and to not pass a stopped school bus with flashing lights activated.

If you have any questions, concerns or suggestions please reach out to the email above or contact Village of North Hornell Police Department at 607-385-3063.

We look forward to continuing to meet the members of the community and giving you the support and protection you value.

Police Chief Kyle C. Amidon Email: nhpolice@northhomell.com 607-385-3063



IN AN EMERGENCY..... Always dial 911



Visit the Village Website for Current Information...northhornell.com

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### Department of Public Works

We look forward to several projects that we have in store for the spring and summers seasons. Our office is located at 407 Cleveland Avenue and is open from 7:00~am-3:30~pm.

Many times, we are out of the office and working somewhere inside the Village limits. If you should have any questions about the services we offer, please feel free to call our number at 607-324-7023 and leave a message, stop down to the shop or just wave us down and we will stop. We will gladly return any phone calls as soon as we possibly can.

The following information are topics that you should be aware of as a Village resident:

#### **HYDRANT FLUSHING - SPRING AND FALL**

The Village of North Hornell Department of Public Works flush all fire hydrants in the village twice a year, once in the spring and again in the fall.

The City of Hornell determines the date so we can coordinate with them to make sure the system is properly flushed. When we flush the hydrants, you will be notified via the Code Red Alert system.

Village residents are encouraged to refrain from washing clothes during flushing hours, and are also advised to run the cold water until it clears up.

Semi-annual hydrant flushing is a necessary part of maintenance of the water supply system. We apologize for any inconvenience that this may cause.

#### City of Hornell Annual Water Quality Report

The City of Hornell's Annual Water Quality Report will be posted on a publicly accessible website at www.hornellwaterreport.com no later than May 31, 2023.

The Village of North Hornell will also make a copy of this report available to all residents on the Village of North Hornell web page located at <a href="https://www.northhornell.com">www.northhornell.com</a> as soon as it's made available to us.

#### MOWING YARDS

Village Code 27-1: The owners and/or occupants of land in the village shall cut, trim, remove brush, debris, waste materials, rubbish, grass, weeds or the like growing or located upon such land within the village.

Should the owner and/or occupant default in complying with the above law, the Village DPW will mow the yard. A monetary charge will be determined by the Village Board of Trustees and will be assessed to the property owner.

It is illegal to blow grass clippings into the roadway. Grass clippings compromise the storm drainage system in the village and creates a hazard to motorists, walkers and bike riders...

According to Article 33 - NYS Vehicle and Traffic Law Section 1219: It is illegal to blow or rake yard clippings into the roadway.

It doesn't matter if you're blowing the clippings into the roadway intentionally, or if they get there accidentally from the discharge of your mower. If they get into the roadway, you're breaking the law.

#### **LEAF PICK-UP**

The Village of North Hornell is fortunate enough to own a leaf vacuum trailer. This service is provided to village residents between October 10, 2023 and November 22, 2023. The trailer is equipped to vacuum and remove LEAVES ONLY.

The raking of branches, twigs and debris into your leaf pile will cause damage to the trailer and we will not pick up your pile. The Village of North Hornell DPW will determine if the pile is safe to remove. If there are twigs, branches and/or yard waste including grass, mulch and lawn ornaments, we will pass your house and move onto the next residence.

The Village of North Hornell has an agreement with the City of Hornell to allow us to dump yard waste in the city. If we pass your house due to excessive yard debris, you will be required to make arrangements to have your waste dumped in the city by a private contractor.



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#### YARD BRUSH PICK-UP



The Village of North Hornell offers a service to residents where we will drive around the village and pick-up large brush. These are items that you would not normally fit in the trunk of your car. These items include tree limbs (cut down to 6 feet or less) and shrubbery. If you should have smaller limbs, please place those inside a bucket, pail or garbage can so we can handle them more efficiently.

This service does not include grass, mulch, tree pruning's and leaf pick-up.

We provide this service twice a month on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month. If we are busy with something else on those days, we will get to it the next available day. This service is provided all year long.

### Village Tax Information from the Treasurer

#### **VILLAGE REAL PROPERTY TAXES**

It's that time of year again! Village taxes will be in the mail and hopefully to you by June 1st . Taxes are due without penalties no later than the first of July.

<u>Please note that tax and sewer payments may not be combined</u>. One check for each payment. This sometimes happens since the sewer bills will also be coming out the first of June.

The Treasurer's office will be open Monday - Thursday from 9:00AM - 2:00PM and Fridays 9:00AM-11:00AM. The mailbox/drop box in front of Village Hall is available for after hour payments.

For all new village residents, if you haven't received your tax bill by June 8, please call the office at 607-324-7894.

If you have any concerns or questions, let us know.

Kristene Libordi - Village Treasurer

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#### **NEW BUILDING PERMITS**

Building permit applications are the responsibility of the homeowner.

\*\*There will be an additional fee of (\$100.00) plus \$50.00 every day after if you start your project without a permit. Once a permit is turned in to the clerk's office, the Code Enforcement Officer will contact you to go over your project and then you will receive a signed permit to place in your window.

Permits can be obtained at the Clerk's office during regular business hours. Please make sure to plan ahead.

Code Enforcement monitors projects from start to finish. At the completion of every project, Code Enforcement will issue a Certificate of Occupancy or Certificate of Completion.

If you have not received either of these documents and had work done, <u>please contact Code Enforce-ment Officer Bill Rusby at</u> 607-382-5049 or the Clerks Office to obtain your Certificate.

#### NOTE:

All contractors doing work in the Village of North Hornell must be approved by the Village Superintendent, North Hornell Police Department/Code Enforcement Officer and the Mayor or Clerk.

This can take up to a week for background checks to be completed.

All contractors that work in North Hornell must be licensed annually and have liability insurance.

Any contractor starting work without a license is an additional \$50.00 Fee. There is a list of current contractors available at the Clerk Office for your convenience.



#### YARD SALES

Please obtain a permit from the Clerks office before holding a yard sale (village wide sale excluded). Code 59-2

No person shall conduct more than three (3) garage/yard sales on his premises in any one (1) calendar year.

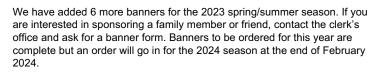
One (1) sale is limited to three (3) consecutive days.

These sales can not commence before 10:00am and must terminate by sundown.



#### **HERO BANNERS**

The Hero Banners will be decorating Seneca Road for another year.



The cost for an individual banner will be determined by the amount ordered.

Memorial Day is the official unveiling of our banners and we usually start the season with a small service at Barillo Park with families, dignitaries and local veterans groups.

For several years the AMVETS riders have been in attendance and are planned to participate again this year.

Start time is usually 8:00am which will give more than ample time to attend other services throughout the area.

We hope to see more residents in attendance for this years service.



REMINDER
Brush Pick Up
Second & Forth
Monday of the
Month





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Village Office hours

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### Questions From our New Residents......

When are Village Board meetings held? On the second Monday of every month. If it falls on a holiday, it will usu-

ally be on the following day. Changes are posted on the website or in the Evening Tribune Laser ads. Does the Village have leaf pickup in the fall? Yes we do! (refer to the DPW article) What do I do if my water is dirty? We recommend that you first call the City of Hornell water department. They handle all water issues. It is also a good idea to let us know if and where there is a problem in the Village.

### Do I need a building permit to put up a fence.? Yes!

Please call Village hall and we will give you all the necessary paperwork and put you in touch with the code enforcement officer. Not everything needs a permit, but it is best to check with us first. Remember: call and verify that your contractor is licensed to work in the Village.



Who do I call if I have a question about my assessment? Call Katherine Gabriele at the Town of Hornellsville. She can answer all your questions and help to lower your assessment if possible. If not,

grievance day is the last Tuesday in the Month of May. Village hall mails out the Village taxes June 1st.

Where do I get my dog licensed? Dogs are licensed in the Town of Hornellsville, 1 Park Dr. in Arkport. Cats are licensed in N Hornell at Village Hall.

When is trash picked up? Every Thursday, unless it is a holiday then it is the following day. Recycling is once a month on the Thursday that falls in the week of the 21st. You can always take your recyclables to the City if once a month is not enough.

Can I tap my sump pump into the sewer? No. It is illegal according to Village, State and DEC to tap into sewer lines with a sump pump. Talk to the DPW if you have questions.

Can I get my handicap tag at Village Hall? Yes. Bring in your doctors authorization form for a temporary or permanent tag.