

Press Release – 9/18/12

## **Notes From the Hamilton Town Council**

The September 13 Hamilton Town Council meeting started with news of Barb Coger Day, to be held on September 26 in the Village of Hamilton. The Town Council thanks Barb for her work in making the Hamilton Library such a vibrant and welcoming place.

August highway work included trimming, mowing and maintaining roads as well as ordering sand before the snow flies. The Town is working together with neighboring municipalities to save money through group purchasing and support of each other's projects. Look for newly sealed roads in Earlville, made possible through collaboration between Hamilton, Lebanon and Earlville.

The Garage roof may be getting a new look. Arista Power, which is working with Solarize Madison, provided the town council with a plan to install solar panels on the roof. The panels will fill the electric needs at the town garage and, through net metering, cover part of the costs of our lighting districts. The Council will continue to explore all avenues to improve our energy efficiency and keep the town's costs down.

Its budget time and the town council is working to create our 2013 budget. We have a workshop meeting on Thursday October 4 at 7pm in the town office. The public is welcome to attend, with anyone who might be interested in running for the town council in the future encouraged to join us.

The Energy Working Group made recommendations to the town council on gas and wind issues. Road Use laws are an effective way to protect local roads from overuse and destruction when industrial traffic exceeds normal use. The working group will research road use laws and make recommendations to the Town Council on to how to best implement them. To keep our community better informed on local energy issues we will be adding a page to the town website dedicated to those concerns.

The Hamilton Town Council meets on the second Thursday of the month at the Town of Hamilton office in the Village of Hamilton at 7pm. Our next regular meeting is Thursday, October 11. The Town Budget Workshop is Thursday October 4 at 7pm. We invite and encourage you to join us. For more info visit <http://www.townofhamiltonny.org/>

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