

Notes from the Town of **Hamilton September 2019 Meeting**

The Town Highway crew helped the County and Town of Brookfield with paving and ditching. In return the County will assist with shouldering this fall. The crew addressed the oil bleeding through the pavement on Eaton Road. Superintendent Dowsland is looking into motion sensors for outdoor dusk to dawn lighting. Interviews were given for the full time and part time highway crew positions, with the full-time position going to Mike Helly, who will start on September 16. Brian Harris has been hired for one of the part-time positions.

TOWN CLERK Reymers will be out of the office from September 30 - into November. Deputy Clerk Elisa Roberson and new clerk Jill Benson will cover office hours.

The Partnership for Community Development's (PCD) 3-year commitment agreement, discussed at a previous meeting, was signed for \$35,000/year. The PCD has been making the state-required Sexual Harassment Awareness training available at no charge to area businesses, and Town and Village employees.

The Zoning Update Committee met last week and reviewed the updated Site Plan Review Process and the Subdivision Law. The group is also updating the usage table to include previously unconsidered items such as Tiny Houses as well as a new column for the Flood Plain area. ZUC meets again in two weeks and will review the updates to the zoning law.

The Hamilton Climate Preparedness Working Group (HCPWG) meets again Friday the 13th to consider the focus for the fall. Representatives from HPCWG met with environmental groups from New Hartford and Cazenovia to discuss how we can share information regionally. Colgate is hosting a Climate Summit on November 7 at 4:30 in Person Hall about local, state, and federal climate work. This meeting is open to the public.

Town Office Building walls should start to go up by the end of the month. The HVAC system is currently being designed.

The bid for the Geothermal project at the Town garage was awarded to NP Environmental. The cost of \$65,000 will be offset by \$50,000 in state grant funds. The final system will significantly cut the heating costs in the Town Garage.

In anticipation to budgeting for 2020 the Town Council scheduled a public hearing at the next Town Council meeting on October 10 for Local Law B-2019 – Tax Cap Override. A Tentative Budget Review Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday Sept 18 at 5:30 pm at Poolville Community Center. Additional workshops/meetings may be scheduled. A Budget Public Hearing will be scheduled for October or early November. Residents are invited to attend these meetings.

Please Note: The next Hamilton Town Council will meet on October 10 at the Village Courthouse in the Village of Hamilton at 6:30 pm. We invite and encourage you to join us. For more info visit www.townofhamiltonny.org

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