

Town of Greenville

TOWN BOARD MEETING

TENTATIVE AGENDA

September 16, 2019

7:00 pm

Approval of minutes August 19, 2019

OLD BUSINESS

- a) Rescue Squad
- b) Highway
- c) Buildings and Grounds
- d) Code Enforcement
- e) Sewer
- f) Water
- g) Recycling
- h) Assessor
- i) Planning Board
- j) Dog Control Officer
- k) Beautification Committee
- l) Greg Davis, District #4 County Legislator

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Schedule budget workshops ~ Monday, October 7th and 21st, 6:00 pm
- b. Greenville Day festivities
- c. Misc.

OPEN MEETING

Supervisors Report

Bill paying audit of bills

OFFICIAL MEETING TIMES, ONCE MOVED UPON, CAN BE FOUND IN THE MINUTES, ON THE OFFICIAL SIGNBOARD AT TOWN HALL, AND POSTED IN ONE OF THE OFFICIAL TOWN NEWSPAPERS AS IS REQUIRED BY TOWN LAW

August 19, 2019

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Greenville was held on Monday, August 19, 2019, at 7:00 pm at Pioneer Hall.

Present: Supervisor Paul Macko
Councilman Richard Bear
Councilman John Bensen
Councilman Joel Rauf
Councilman Travis Richards

Recording Secretary: Clerk-Collector Jackie Park

Attorney: Tal Rappleyea

Department Heads: Greenville Rescue Squad Chief Matthew Marlow
Maintenance Supervisor & Deputy Water Superintendent Renee Hamilton
Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer Mark Overbaugh
Assessor Gordon Bennett

Other: Greene County District #4 Legislator Greg Davis
and 20 guests

Absent: Highway Superintendent Terry Williams

Supervisor Macko opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. Jill Falchi was present, along with two colleagues, to confirm that the Town had received a \$30,000 reimbursable grant to complete a non-specified, energy efficient project. The deadline to submit the project plans is in October, and it stipulates the project must reduce energy use, and pay for itself within 20 years. Mr. Greg Mumby will assist in putting the project together and writing and submitting the document to NYSEEDA. Supervisor Macko reported that installing mini-splits vs. the currently used window air-conditioners is an idea that had been previously discussed; Ms. Falchi and Mr. Mumby agree this is a valid use of the grant money.

Mr. Kevin Grace of Northeast Information Systems presented a proposal for upgrading our current telephone system. Quotes ranged between \$9,000 - \$11,000, and included 11 office phones and 6 cordless phones for other town sites (water, sewer, highway and library buildings). This is a VOIP system, which would become unusable when/if the cable service is down. There are ways to override that but he says we would still be subject to losing the telephone line at times. Another option discussed was a monthly service for the phone service, which would work the same but service, upgrades, etc. would all be under contract. Councilmen Bensen and Rauf requested proposals on the rental service contract; Supervisor Macko agreed, stating, "That makes the most sense."

Mr. Rauf moved to accept the Clerk's minutes of July 15th, 2019, seconded by Mr. Bensen.
Carried 5 ayes

Oral and/or written reports were received from the following departments:

Greenville Rescue Squad ~ Chief Matthew Marlow provided an oral and written report; noted the Westerlo Rescue Squad's operations will end on 12/31/2019, which may lead to more mutual aid calls.

Highway Department ~ Supervisor Macko gave an oral report of activities for this department. Paving will still continue, with \$204,000 of blacktop reserved for use this year. Carter Bridge Road to Big Woods Road and Newry Road are expected to be paved.

Building and Grounds ~ Oral report received from Maintenance Supervisor Hamilton. The usual summer work of mowing and trimming of nature trails continue, as well as further clean up at the site

of the former middle barn occurred. Cameras were placed at the library and electric vehicle charging stations, and the fuel pad at the highway department was poured in place. The retaining wall there will soon be completed.

Code Enforcement ~ Oral and written reports received from CEO Mark Overbaugh. It was noted that there was an increased number of title searches requested, which is a direct reflection of home sales. Stated, "People are buying now, not building."

Sewer ~ Supervisor Macko reported the sewer plant has met all expected parameters.

Water ~ Water Superintendent Bear provided a written report, which Deputy Superintendent Hamilton reviewed. Supervisor Macko added the 60/40% grant for the new water tank, lines & Rt. 81E extension would be closing on August 29th; the 1.84 million dollar project will receive \$1,106,294 in grant money, and (if all money is used) we will pay \$739,000 over 30 years. The project is expected to start in the Spring of 2020 and will be completed within 3-4 months.

Recycling ~ Councilman Bear reported all's well at the Center: He relayed concern that a backhoe at the highway garage has been in disrepair for over a year, and needs to be fixed to enable the garbage and cardboard be pushed down at the recycling center (instead of continuing to use the pay loader, which is not appropriate). Highway employee Jeff Kulas was present, and stated the workers have repeatedly tried to do the job and have been directed to work elsewhere. Councilman Bear insisted it needed to get done; Councilman Richards requested that anyone who wants to earn overtime on Friday, to do the repair.

Assessing ~ Assessor Bennett provided an oral and written report. He requested he meet with the Board in executive session later this evening to discuss a few current valuation lawsuits.

Planning Board ~ Supervisor Macko noted Chair Donald Teator had provided a written report as well as a letter to the Town Board expressing concerns about parking issues in Greenville. Agreed the Board must take a proactive approach to find more places to use as parking. For further discussion and review.

Zoning Board of Appeals ~ currently reviewing GCS's new LED signs for both the Elementary and Middle/High School entrances.

Dog Control ~ no report received.

Beautification Committee ~ Barbara Walter, Brian Mulligan, Nicole Ambrosio and Deb Danner were present tonight; noted Ginny Mangold is their new Chairwoman, and Nicole Ambrosio is now a Vice-Chair. Reported that proceeds from the 'Duck Project' will be applied to plans of reopening Prevost Hall as a community center.

Clerk/Tax ~ written reports provided.

Greene County Legislator Greg Davis ~ oral and written report on recent activities was offered. Stated he's attended many meetings and has his 'hands in many pots'. Greene County's "Moody's Financial rating" has increased, and thus money will be saved on the jail loan. They've received a private bond at a rate of 2.49%. Concrete has been poured for the jail construction, and it is expected to open in 2021.

New business discussed at 7:43 pm:

A liquor license application's 30 day advanced notice to municipality was received by Woodhouse Lodge, LLC, at 3807 County Route 26. No concerns were received regarding this application.

Mr. Bensen moved, seconded by Mr. Richards, to accept the resolution authorizing the sale of alcoholic beverages at Woodhouse Lodge, LLC, and does express a favorable opinion.

Carried 5 ayes

The Vietnam Travelling Memorial Wall is scheduled to pass through the Town of Greenville on Wednesday, August 21st. Support from the Town has been requested by the co-sponsors, the Protectors Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club along with the Greene County Veterans Service Agency, Greene County Tourism and the American Legion Riders 291;

Mr. Bear moved, seconded by Mr. Bensen, to respond to the request for support affirmatively.

Carried 5 ayes

Follow up discussion occurred regarding the local Girl Scout troop's request to have exclusive meeting and storage space upstairs in Town Hall. Supervisor Macko wants a way to secure the basement and inner office space off of the main foyer. He feels the newspaper upstairs was not a problem when they rented out the upper level, and he has no problem with the space being utilized by the Girl Scout Troop. Discussion followed. The Scouts would pay for the necessary locks to secure the main and lower levels from the inside. This would be used for adult leaders only, 1-2 nights per month, and they would be responsible for their own space (cleaning, etc). The 2 Service Unit Leaders would be the only ones provided with keys (Mrs. Diane Therrien Smith and Mrs. Janelle Bucci). Attorney Rappleyea will draw up a lease/contract.

Mr. Rauf moved to proceed with allocation of two keys to the two Service Unit Leaders to provide access to only the third floor with the meeting schedule shared on an annual basis to be approved by the Board; also to allow for special meetings occasionally. All to be provided for in verbiage of a lease, offered at no charge to the Greenville Girl Scout Service Unit 115. Seconded by Mr. Bear.

Carried 5 ayes

Follow up discussion on the bike and skateboard committee occurred. Neither Councilmen Richards nor Rauf, members on the committee to work with the group to create this area, have heard from any of the interested youth or parents who were going to develop and manage this park. Frustration was expressed by both that the Town was willing to pay the liability insurance and work on preparing the site ~ yet no one has followed up with the process/plans. Councilman Rauf wants to be careful in how the Town proceeds. Supervisor Macko will contact one of the parents to assess continued interest, if any.

Supervisor Macko noted Greenville Days is scheduled for September 27th – 29th, and that the total estimated cost by Community Partners to undertake this is in the \$16,000 range. As the Town has been unable to utilize winter roller skating the past two years, and the cost of the tent rental is \$3,040, he recommends we donate that amount to the event.

Mr. Bensen moved, seconded by Mr. Richards, the Town donate \$3,040 to Community Partners to use towards Greenville Day 2019 festivities.

Carried 5 ayes

Mrs. Camryn Cooke has requested approval to display teal ribbons throughout the Town of Greenville during the month of September for the purpose of increasing awareness of ovarian cancer in the "Turn the Towns Teal" campaign.

Mr. Bear moved, seconded by Mr. Rauf, to support Mrs. Cooke in this endeavor.

Carried 5 ayes

Justice Kevin Lewis has requested approval to attend annual training in Lake Placid this September.

Mr. Richards moved, seconded by Mr. Bensen, to allow Justice Kevin Lewis attend this educational conference.

Carried 5 ayes

Supervisor Macko noted that last year, one year notes were taken out for the highway fuel tanks and new maintenance building and the windows and sidewalks projects. As they are soon due, he would like approval to have 5 year loans drawn up.

Mr. Bear moved, seconded by Mr. Richards, to have Attorney Rappleyea draw up papers for a 5 year loan.

Carried 5 ayes

Supervisor Macko opened the meeting for public comments and questions at 8:07 pm:

Grant Administrator Nicole Ambrosio would like to thank Maintenance Supervisor Renee Hamilton for her work on the electric vehicle charging station. Feels she did a great job, and they've had 4 cars use

this station so far! Mrs. Ambrosio also asked Girl Scout Troop Leader Diane Therrien Smith if they were taking donations for the locks to be placed in Town Hall to allow use of the upstairs, and then proceeded to contribute the first donation.

Resident Karen Overbaugh on Ingalside Road raised concerns about Camp Malka. She reports having witnessed three, 10,000 gallon water trucks go to the camp and also an increased amount of septic pumping trucks there as well. Reported a large black tube running from the old restaurant site down, directly into the water. Concerned about repeat issues, as in the past. Code Enforcement Officer Mark Overbaugh stated that their water and septic issues are overseen by the NYS Department of Health, but collaboration has been requested at times. Said he did review their site prior to opening season; also that it isn't against the law to buy water. When Ms. Overbaugh called CEO Overbaugh 3 weeks ago, the concern raised was only about the water tanks, and it was discussed promptly. CEO Overbaugh said he will do an on-site investigation the following day; Supervisor Macko will contact their plant operator, Joe Myers, to inquire of any problems. CEO Overbaugh repeated that the Department of Health was on top of Camp Malka, and that it (their sewer and water) is not under the Town's jurisdiction.

Another issue this month reported about Camp Malka was related to overflowing trash on their property falling into the Basic Creek, as witnessed from the Town Park property. This was addressed with DEC Officer Mike Arp and, at this time, the problem seems to be under control.

There being no other business to discuss, Mr. Bear moved to enter executive session at 8:16 pm, seconded by Mr. Bensen, to discuss proposed, pending or current litigation. Assessor Gordon Bennett was invited to participate.

Carried 5 ayes

Mr. Bensen moved to return to regular session at 8:50 pm, seconded by Mr. Bear.

Carried 5 ayes

No motions were made in executive session.

Mr. Rauf moved, seconded by Mr. Bensen, to allow Supervisor Macko to sign an inter-municipal agreement, if necessary, to cover half of the cost of a shared appraisal with the Greenville Central School District.

Carried 5 ayes

Mr. Bensen moved, seconded by Mr. Bear, to allow Attorney Rappleyea to sign off with an agreement with Cumberland Farms regarding litigation over property assessment.

Carried 5 ayes

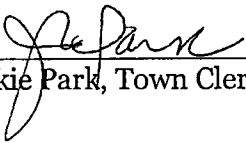
The audit of bills occurred at 8:52 pm; after audit, Mr. Rauf moved, seconded by Mr. Bear, to pay the following bills:

Bills 305 – 339 on General abstract #8 for \$21,143.24
Bills 151 – 172 on Highway abstract #8 for \$27,959.60
Bills 62 – 71 on Sewer abstract #8 for \$13,979.61
Bills 89 – 98 on Water abstract #8 for \$23,078.48
Bills 11 – 12 on Windows & Sidewalk Project abstract #7 for \$3,651.75
Bill 1 on Tractor Supply, escrow abstract #1 for \$6,194.80
Carried 5 ayes

After review, Mr. Rauf made a motion to accept the Supervisor's report for July, seconded by Mr. Bear.

Carried 5 ayes

There being no further business, Mr. Macko moved to adjourn at 9:18 pm.



Jackie Park, Town Clerk-Collector

SUPERVISOR MACKO

MR. BEAR

MR. BENSEN

MR. RAUF

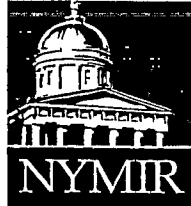
MR. RICHARDS

From: NYMIR <gkoch@wrightinsurance.com>

To: pmackogrsuper <pmackogrsuper@aol.com>

Subject: SAFETY DURING SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL OPERATIONS - Schedule attached

Date: Mon, Sep 9, 2019 9:38 am



2019 Seminars on SAFETY DURING SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL OPERATIONS

*These seminars are FREE to employees of all NYMIR municipalities. Non-NYMIR
Attendees, class cost is \$75.00 per person to be billed after class.*

Dates and Locations:

Corinth Fire Department

October 1, 2019
16 Saratoga Avenue, Corinth NY 13343
Parking behind building

Glenfield Fire Department

October 2, 2019
6229 Blue Street Glenfield, NY

Town of Victor

October 8, 2019
85 East Main Street, Victor, NY
Parking is in back of Town Hall

Ellicottville Town Center

October 9, 2019
28 Park Side Drive, Ellicottville, NY

Greene County 911 Center, Town of Cairo

November 13, 2019
25 Volunteer Drive, Cairo NY

Bureau of Emergency Services

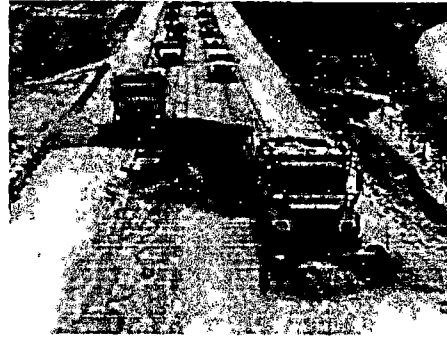
November 14, 2019
112 Old Route 6, Carmel NY

[Click here to RSVP](#)

Please notate date and location in your response

Who Should Attend: Individuals whose responsibilities involve managing personnel involved in snow and ice removal from

municipal roadways or streets and individuals who operate snow and ice removal equipment. This includes DPW Superintendents, County Highway Superintendents, Town Highway Superintendents, Heavy and Medium Mobile Equipment Operators.



Why Should I Attend: Each winter, municipal snow and ice removal equipment are involved in accidents that cause property damage, damage municipal and third party vehicles and injure third parties. The harsh environment in which this equipment is used causes frequent equipment breakdowns. This seminar will aid Municipalities in controlling these exposures and preparing for the upcoming snow and ice season as well as providing best management practices for your Municipality to follow and implement.

Topics Covered:

- Equipment Maintenance
- Equipment Options
- Knowing Your Roads/Routes
- Identifying Hazards
- Operator Training
- Roadway Treatment Options
- Fire Prevention

Seminar Goal: The focus of this workshop is to review the safety aspects of Snow and Ice Removal Operations with those involved to reduce the potential for losses due to accidents and equipment breakdowns. Fire prevention measures will be discussed.

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9/4/2019

TOWN OF GREENVILLE

IT SERVICES: ASSESSOR PC

Hardware: <i>Dell Optiplex 3050 (Windows 10, 3 year warranty)</i>	\$755
BAS Labor: <i>2 hours // installation and configuration</i>	\$240
TOTAL:	\$995

Notes:

- 1) Hope's computer is running Windows 8. We strongly recommend replacing this devices with a new computer running Windows 10.
- 2) BAS Labor is discounted to \$120 per hour for contracted IT Clients (regularly \$160 an hour.)
- 3) Does not include a new monitor.

APPROVED BY:

Signature

Title

Name (Print)

Date



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Continuing Education Status Report
 report date: 08/20/2019

Gordon W. Bennett
 Assessor in Multiple Towns
 Town Office
 56 Bailey Street
 Coxsackie, NY 12051
 Email: assessor@coxsackie.org

State Certified Assessor: 11/02/1995
 State Certified Assessor, Advanced: 04/16/1997
 State Certified Assessor, Professional: 09/19/2006

CE Begin Date: 10/01/1996

Current Continuing Education Year is October 1, 2018 - September 30, 2019

Continuing Education Year	Credits Awarded	Requirement Status
2015 / 2016	12	Met
2016 / 2017	12	Met
2017 / 2018	12	Met
2018 / 2019	12	Met

You are eligible to accumulate and be reimbursed for a maximum of 12 credits this C. E. year.

Your ethics recertification requirement is satisfied for the current term of office.

Jurisdiction(s)

- (SWIS: 192800) Town of Coxsackie
- (SWIS: 193000) Town of Durham
- (SWIS: 193200) Town of Greenville
- (SWIS: 194200) Town of New Baltimore

Course Date	Course, Seminar, or Conference	Hours Attended	Method	C.E. Credits Awarded
08/05/1993	Appraisal of a Single Family Residence	Basic	classroom	N/A
07/06/1994	Appraisal Approaches, Introduction to	Basic	classroom	N/A
07/20/1994	Data Collection R/F/V, Fundamentals of	Basic	classroom	N/A
04/20/1995	(R-2) Valuation Principles and Procedures	Basic	classroom	N/A
10/23/1995	Assessment Administration	Basic	classroom	N/A
10/30/1995	Exemption Administration, Fundamentals of	18	classroom	18*
02/19/1996	Association of Towns Conference	10	classroom	10*
11/14/1996	(R-4) Income Capitalization, Introduction to	15	classroom	15
02/10/1997	County Director Presentation	2	classroom	2
04/16/1997	Mass Appraisal , Introduction to	30	self-study	30
06/09/1997	County Director Presentation	2	classroom	2
10/06/1997	Assessors Association Conference	13	classroom	13
02/09/1998	County Director Presentation	2	classroom	2
04/13/1998	County Director Presentation	2	classroom	2
09/14/1999	Assessors Association Conference	12	classroom	12

* A maximum of 48 credits has been accumulated into the 1996 and 1997 continuing education years. Page: 1

Continuing Education Status Report

report date: 08/20/2019

Gordon W. Bennett (continued)

Course Date	Course, Seminar, or Conference	Hours Attended	Method	C.E. Credits Awarded
09/25/2000	Assessors Association Conference	9	classroom	9
01/17/2001	Blueprint Reading	7	classroom	7
01/22/2001	HP-12C Calculator, Basics of	7	classroom	7
04/27/2001	(G-1) Income Property Valuation, Introduction	30	classroom	30
09/30/2001	Assessors Association Conference	11	classroom	11
08/20/2002	RPS V4 - Analysis & Valuation	18	classroom	18
09/23/2002	Assessors Association Conference	14	classroom	14
10/30/2002	RPS V4 (One Day)	6	classroom	6
11/06/2002	RPS V4 Valuation Training	18	classroom	18
07/17/2006	IAO - 1 - Assessment Methods & Techniques	30	classroom	30
07/22/2006	IAO Exam	0	classroom	0
09/18/2006	Assessors Association Conference	12	classroom	12
09/19/2006	Professional Designation: IAO	5	classroom	5
10/31/2006	(G-2) Principles of Income Property Appraising	30	classroom	18
11/14/2006	Applied LOA Analysis Unit 1	3	classroom	3
11/14/2006	Applied LOA Analysis Unit 2	3	classroom	3
11/15/2006	Applied LOA Analysis Unit 3	6	classroom	6
11/16/2006	Applied LOA Analysis Unit 9	3	classroom	3
12/05/2006	(G-3) Applied Income Property Valuation	30	classroom	30
09/24/2007	Assessors Association Conference	12	classroom	0
09/22/2008	Assessors Association Conference	12	classroom	12
11/20/2008	Green Construction	7	classroom	7
12/17/2008	USPAP-7hr National Update Course	7	classroom	7
01/06/2009	Fair Housing / Fair Lending in Real Estate	7	classroom	7
04/16/2009	RPS V4 Valuation (1 Day)	5	classroom	5
09/28/2009	Assessors Association Conference	12	classroom	10
09/27/2010	Assessors Association Conference	9	classroom	Excluded
11/18/2011	One Day Seminar - Mixed Use Property	6	classroom	6
10/01/2012	Assessors Association Conference	12	classroom	12
05/02/2013	Foreclosure Basics for Appraisers	3	classroom	3
06/06/2013	Covering all the Bases in Residential Reporting	7	classroom	3
06/19/2013	Challenging Assignments for Residential	7	classroom	0
07/06/2013	USPAP-7hr National Update Course	Recert	classroom	0
06/30/2015	USPAP-7hr National Update Course	7	classroom	7
10/04/2015	Assessors Association Conference	12	classroom	12
02/03/2017	One Day Seminar - Val. of Solar Panels	6	classroom	6
10/01/2017	Assessors Association Conference	12	classroom	12
11/14/2017	Better to Be Safe than Sorry	7	classroom	7
01/30/2018	Basic Construction Refresher	7	classroom	2
03/06/2018	FHA Property & Valuation Analysis	7	classroom	0
06/19/2018	USPAP-7hr National Update Course	Recert	classroom	0
08/30/2018	FHA and VA Today	7	classroom	7
08/31/2018	Green in Residences & Appraisals	7	classroom	7

!!!! END OF REPORT !!!!

Planning Board report – September 2019

September 4:

Only one agenda item was addressed – A proposed two lot subdivision on Willowbrook Road.

No other agenda items were addressed.

A short discussion at meeting's end continued last month's comments about Greenville parking. We know this is a Town Board concern also. If we can be of assistance, please consider our involvement and/or input.

Respectfully,
Don Teator
Greenville PB Chair

Town of Greenville Planning Board

PO Box 38
Greenville, NY 12083

August 7, 2019

Minutes

Attendees: Planning Board Members: Don Teator, Bud Bear, William Bardel, Attorney: Tal Rappleyea and PB Clerk: Hope Nugent.

Guests: Martin Kelly, Quinn Kelly, Anita Zibura

Meeting opened by Don Teator at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance

Special Use Permit – Kelly’s Pharmacy – 12.04-3-15

Martin & Quinn Kelly were present tonight to discuss with the Board their application for a Drive thru lane at the pharmacy. Mr. Kelly explained that the Pharmacy owns the driveway and would make it one way to accommodate the drive thru window which would be on the north east corner of the building. They would be putting up a small over hang as well as bollards. Mr. Kelly stated that the driveway could accommodate 5 average size vehicles, but they would put in a designated spot for the drive thru so there would not be an overflow on to SR 81.

Will stated that a reeducation of the public and very good signage would need to be done if the drive thru was able to be completed. It was also stated that other access/exit from other driveways would need to be considered.

It was discussed with Mr. Kelly that the driveway is access for the house next to the pharmacy as well as the Fire Company and The Tasting Lab. Mr. Kelly stated that as far as he knew there was no written agreement between any of the other building owners.

Tal stated that Mr. Kelly should complete a Title search to see if any agreement on the driveway access was ever put in place on the property.

Mr. Kelly should return next month with drawings of what he would like to do, Title search results, and results of conversations with other building owners.

Minutes

Motion made to approve the minutes from June 5, 2019 was made by Will Bardel. Seconded by Bud Bear. All in favor: 3, Opposed: 0, motion carried.

Discussion

Don gave the Board an update on Cypress Creek. We have received the Safety Plan which was forwarded on to Delaware Engineering for their review. Don also mentioned the mailing that was received from the Iroquois Pipeline. It asked that the Board call first before allowing any development near the pipeline.

Close Meeting

Motion made to close the meeting at 7:52 pm made by Will Bardel. Seconded by Bud Bear. All in favor: 3, Opposed: 0, motion carried.

Town of Greenville
Planning Board
Town Hall, Pioneer Building
11159 State Route 32
Greenville, NY 12083

September 4, 2019

Meeting Agenda

7:00pm Pledge of allegiance

New Business:

Norman Channing– Possible Subdivision
25.00-4-39
638 Willowbrook Road

Kelly’s Pharmacy – Possible Drive thru
12.04-3-15
4852 SR 81

Mario Pollan – Possible Special Use Permit
Prevost Manor 24.00-1-1
SR 81

Old Business:

Motion to Accept the Minutes from August 7, 2019 Meeting

Discussion:

Adjournment:



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September 9, 2019

Paul Macko, Supervisor
Town of Greenville
P.O. Box 38
Greenville, NY 12083

Dear Mr. Macko:

RE: 239 Planning and Zoning Referrals

New York State Law mandates that certain local planning and zoning matters be referred to the County Planning Board for review before a local government takes any final action. This referral/review activity is commonly called the '239 Review' as required by Sections 239l and 239m of the General Municipal Law. The '239 Review' is designed to assure that county concerns are taken into consideration in the local planning process.

Timing of Referral and Review Submittal

General Municipal Law requires that referrals be received by the County Planning Department 12 days prior to the County Planning Board's meeting to allow adequate time for review and to be placed on the upcoming monthly agenda. The Greene County Planning Board meeting is held the third Wednesday of every month. On behalf of the Greene County Planning Board and Planning Department staff we ask that you please adhere to this timeframe and have the referral submitted to the County Planning Department 12 days prior to the third Wednesday of each month, if you want to have the matter on the upcoming Planning Board meeting agenda. A copy of the '**PLANNING AND ZONING REFERRAL (239 REVIEW) FORM**' is enclosed and can be found on the Greene County Planning Board web page <http://bit.ly/30JtLtd>

The Greene County Planning Board has 30 days after the receipt of a complete referral to review the submittal and offer recommendations. This 30-day period begins after staff determines the referral to be complete.

Please note that no local decision can be rendered or voted taken until the written County recommendations have been received.

Early consultation is desired for major actions such as the adoption of a comprehensive plan or zoning regulations. The purpose of the early consultation is to ensure that the Board has been engaged in the project early enough to resolve any potential intermunicipal or region conflicts or concerns up-front. Early consultation can save time and money for all parties involved.

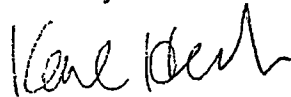
The referral process is NOT complete until a '**Notice of Final Action**' is filed with the Greene County Planning Board. General Municipal Law requires that, within 30 days after the final action at the local level, the referring body file a report of the final action taken with the County Planning Board. A referring body that acts contrary to a recommendation of modification or disapproval of a proposed action must set forth the reasons for the contrary actions in the '**Notice of Final Action**'. A copy the '**Notice of Final Action**' is enclosed and can be found on the Greene County Planning Board web page <http://bit.ly/30JtLtd>

The failure of a local government to follow the procedural requirements of "239" is a jurisdictional defect which may invalidate any final municipal action. Therefore it is very important that everyone involved in local planning and zoning, including the governing body, planning and zoning boards, municipal attorneys and code enforcement officers, be aware of the state law requirements.

More information regarding the planning and zoning referral process, including actions subject to review and factors to be considered in review can be found in *The Greene County Planning and Zoning Referral Guide*, which is posted on the Greene County Planning Board web page <http://bit.ly/329p8cb>,

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Rich Schiafo, Principal Planner, (518) 719-3290, rschiafo@discovergreene.com

Sincerely



Karl Heck
Director of Economic Development and Planning

cc: Planning Board Chair
Zoning Board of Appeals Chair
Greene County Planning Board Member

GREENE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM & PLANNING

Greene County Office Building
411 Main Street
Catskill, New York 12414



Telephone: (518) 719-3290
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planning@discovergreene.com

Warren Hart, Director

PLANNING AND ZONING REFERRAL (239 REVIEW) FORM

SEND TO: Greene County Planning Board, 411 Main Street, Catskill, NY, 12414

FROM: [] Village/Town Board [] Zoning Board of Appeals [] Planning Board; Village/Town of _____

1. Name of Case (landowner/purchaser etc.) _____ Tax Map #: _____

2. Location of affected property (accurately describe) _____

3. Type of Referral:

- [] New Zoning Law and Map [] Site Plan Review [] Area Variance [] New or Amended
[] Amended Zoning Law/Map [] Special Use Permit [] Use Variance Comprehensive Plan

4. General Description of Proposed Project: _____

5. This referral is required because the property is located within 500 feet of a:

- [] Boundary of the Village/Town of _____
[] Boundary of a County or State Park or recreation area defined as: _____
[] County or State building or institution defined as: _____
[] Right-of-way of the following County or State highway: _____

6. Anticipated Public Hearing Date: _____ Time: _____ Location: _____

7. This referral is supplemented by the following, (check all that apply):

- [] Application [] Applicable Zoning Map [] Location Map
[] Applicable Zoning Law [] Site Map or Plan [] Supporting Report
[] Environmental Assessment or Statement [] Other-Specify _____

8. If referral involves a variance, give reason why variance is needed (e.g., 5 foot side yard request while law requires 10 feet, required parking not provided, etc.) _____

9. Official completing this form: Name & Title: _____ Telephone: _____
Address: _____

NOTE: A USE VARIANCE should be based on "unnecessary hardship", defined as property that cannot yield a reasonable return if used for the purposes allowed in the zone, where the requested use would not alter the essential character of the locality, where the plight of the owner is due to unique circumstances and not to the general conditions in the neighborhood, and where the alleged hardship has not been self-created. An AREA VARIANCE requires balancing the benefits of the variance to the applicant against the detriments to the health, safety and welfare of the neighborhood or community. It is judged by how substantial the variance is, the effect on the neighborhood and nearby properties, the other alternatives available, effects on physical or environmental conditions and whether the alleged difficulty was self-created.

In accordance with General Municipal Law, all referrals must be accompanied by "full statement" of the proposed action, which means all materials required by and submitted to the referring body as an application on the proposed action, including a completed environmental assessment form and all other materials required by the referring body to make its determination on significance pursuant to the state environmental quality review act. A completed Part I of the SEQR Environmental Assessment Form, or Environmental Impact Statement, Negative Declaration, or indication of SEQR Type II Status must be included with all referrals.

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THIS NOTICE MUST BE COMPLETED AND FILED WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER FINAL
ACTION
HAS BEEN TAKEN BY THE REFERRING AGENCY

NOTICE OF FINAL ACTION BY REFERRING AGENCY

Municipality _____
Referral ID _____
Response Date _____

Send to:

Greene County Planning Board
411 Main Street
Catskill, NY 12414

The _____ of the above-captioned municipality met on
_____ and acted on the case noted as follows:

(Date)

Name of Case: _____

- Agreed with County Planning Board recommendations.
- Overruled County Planning Board recommendations.

Copy of resolution attached Yes ____ No ____

If no, substance of resolution listed below:

Signature of Referring Officer Date

Section 239 l and m of the NYS General Municipal Law requires the County Planning Board to review all specified zoning matters. It also provides that a disapproval or an approval with modifications by the County Planning Board may be overruled by the local referring agency. To do so, the referring agency must pass a resolution expressing the reason for such action and pass the resolution with a majority plus one vote of its membership.

The General Municipal Law requires that the referring agency file a report of its action informing the County Planning Board of any action the referring agency took.

Town of Greenville
Zoning Board of Appeals
Town Hall Pioneer Building
11159 State Route 32, P.O. Box 38
Greenville, NY 12083

Meeting Agenda

September 10, 2019

7:00 Pledge of allegiance

New Business: Public Hearings for:
Greenville Central School District – 12.04-4-27 & 12.04-4-11
State Routes 81 & 32
Sign Variance

Old Business: Motion to Accept the Minutes from August 13, 2019 Meeting

Discussion:

Adjournment:

Town of Greenville
Zoning Board of Appeals
Town Hall, Pioneer Bldg.
PO Box 38,
Greenville, NY 12083

August 13, 2019

Attendees: Tom Vance, Art Marini, Jean Thomas, and clerk: Hope Nugent.

Guests:

Pledge of allegiance @ 7:00 pm

*Motion to open meeting made by Art Marini at 7:08 pm.
Seconded by: Jean Thomas. All in favor: 3, Opposed: 0, Motion carried.*

Tom reviewed with the Board that they are here tonight to accept 2 separate variance applications from the Greenville School District. The Greenville School District is seeking the variances for 2 new signs that do not meet the required 32 sq. ft. size. The School District is looking for a 91% variance for both signs.

*Motion to accept Application for Greenville Central School District Office made by Art Marini.
Seconded by: Jean Thomas. All in favor: 3, Opposed: 0, Motion carried.*

Motion to accept Application for Scott M. Ellis Elementary School made by Jean Thomas. Seconded by: Art Mairini. All in favor: 3, Opposed: 0, Motion carried.

Old Business: *Motion to accept the minutes for June 11, 2019 made by Jean Thomas.
Seconded by: Art Marini. All in favor: 3, Opposed: 0, Motion carried.*

Motion to close meeting made by Art Marini at 7:15 pm. Seconded by: Jean Thomas. All in favor: 3, Opposed: 0, Motion carried.

Save The Date !!!

GREENVILLE DAY

COMMUNITY PARTNERS OF GREENVILLE

10TH ANNIVERSARY!

CARNIVAL

SEPTEMBER 27 & 28, 2019

VANDERBILT PARK, GREENVILLE NY 12083



TOWN-WIDE YARD SALE

HAVE YOUR YARD SALE ON THE TOWN
OF GREENVILLE'S EVENT MAP

For info, please call 518-966-5055, ext. 2
to provide your street address.

BARK IN THE PARK DOG COSTUME CONTEST

A GREENVILLE DAY FASHION WALK
THAT'S GONE TO THE DOGS!

Pick up a flyer at the
Greenville Town Hall

Prizes awarded for winners!

KIDS COOKIE CONTEST

YOUR KIDS' CULINARY SKILLS CAN
SHINE ON GREENVILLE DAY

For entry form and rules, please call
Lesley at (518)-337-3299 and leave a
message, or email: smith@cbpp.com.

Prizes awarded to winners!

VENDORS WANTED!

BE PART OF THE GREENVILLE DAY
BUSINESS AND NON-PROFIT EXPO

For info 518-928-5457 / 518-966-4360

Entry Fee is just \$25 for access to the
Greenville Day Audience!

Event Schedule

Subject to revision. For updates visit:
www.CPOG.org

All events in Vanderbilt Park unless
otherwise noted.

Friday, September 27th

4pm-7pm **FREE Carnival rides**
and hot dogs for kids

Saturday, September 28th

Pending **GCSD School activities**
(locations, times pending)

9am-3pm **Town-wide Yard Sale**
(call 966-5055 ext 2 to be
included)

10am-3pm **Greenville Library book sale**
(Rte 32 & 81 intersection)

1pm Sheriff dog demonstration

2pm **Bark in the Park dog
costume contest**

1pm-4pm Dunk tank

12-4pm Pony rides and petting zoo

12-6pm **FREE Carnival rides for kids,**
Food trucks, Crafters, Business
Expo, Farmers market

4pm-7pm Music by "Side Show Willie",
Antique Appraisals, Kids
Cookie Contest, Bonfire

7pm/dark **Fireworks!**



**GREENE COUNTY
RURAL HEALTH NETWORK**

Mini-Grants for Local Organizations

Up to \$1,500!

**Proposals must improve the health status of
Greene County residents**

Our application process is simple and brief!

Proposals are due October 18

For more details and application form go to
greenehealthnetwork.com

Greene County Rural Health Network

159 Jefferson Heights, Suite A112 | Catskill, NY 12414 | Phone: 518-943-5072 | Email: info@greenehealthnetwork.com

www.GreeneHealthNetwork.com

From: rrouse2272 <rrouse2272@aol.com>

To: supervisor <supervisor@lexingtonny.com>; supervisor <supervisor@townofcairo.com>; supervisor <supervisor@townofcatskillny.gov>; supervisor <supervisor@townofnewbaltimore.org>; supervisor <supervisor@townofwindhamny.com>; coxsackiesupervisor <coxsackiesupervisor@statetel.com>; pmackogrsuper <pmackogrsuper@aol.com>; townoffhunter <townoffhunter@hotmail.com>; townoffhunter <townoffhunter@yahoo.com>; townsupervisor <townsupervisor@gmail.com>; townsupervisor <townsupervisor@durhamny.com>; ashlandtownclerk <ashlandtownclerk@yahoo.com>; rickhanse <rickhanse@yahoo.com>; rtompk6601 <rtompk6601@aol.com>; james.pellitteri <james.pellitteri@townofjewett.org>; lstacey <lstacey@townofathensny.com>; prattclerk <prattclerk@mhcable.com>; prattclerk <prattclerk@mhcable.net>

Subject: Mini-grants for Small Organizations

Date: Tue, Sep 3, 2019 9:40 pm

Attachments: RHN-minigrant-2019-flyer.pdf (54K)

All Town Supervisors - The Greene County Rural Health Network is announcing the second year of the availability of mini-grants (up to \$1,500) for small organizations (unfortunately no government entities) to help improve the health status of Greene County residents. Applications are due Oct 18. The details and the application form are on the Rural Health Network website as noted on the attached flyer. Our application process is brief and simple.

I have attached the flyer, and ask that you send them on to potentially interested parties.

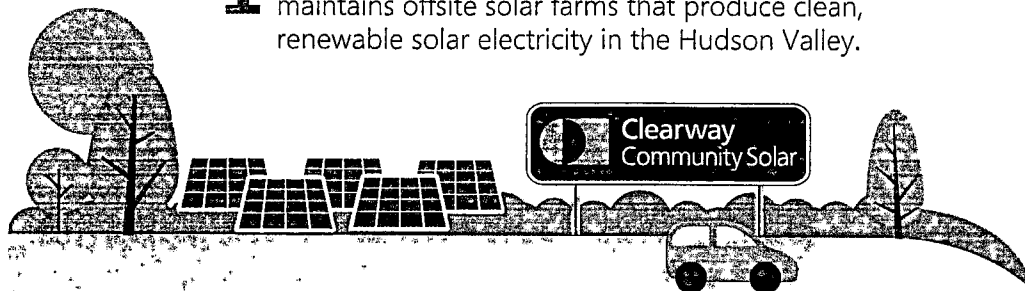
Thank you very much for helping spread the word.

Ron Rouse
Greene County Rural Health Network

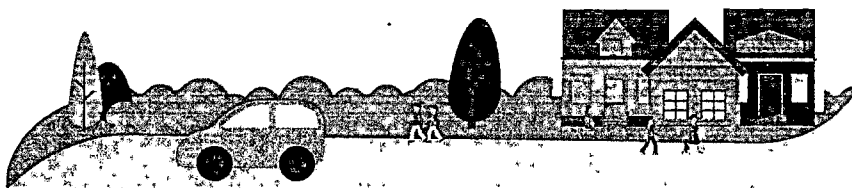
Your Path to Energy Cost Management



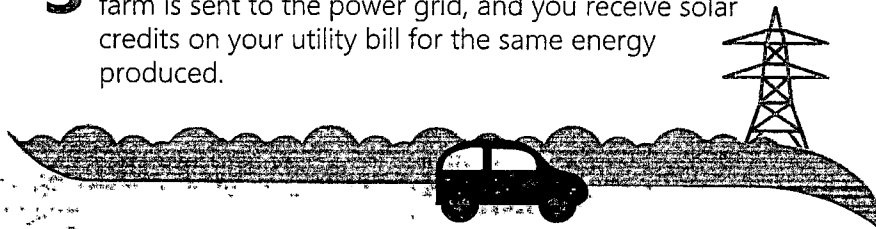
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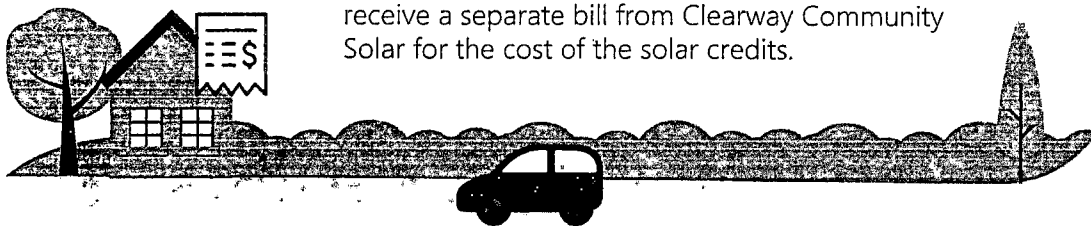
- 2** You can subscribe to a portion of the solar farm appropriate for your home.



- 3** The solar energy produced by your portion of the farm is sent to the power grid, and you receive solar credits on your utility bill for the same energy produced.



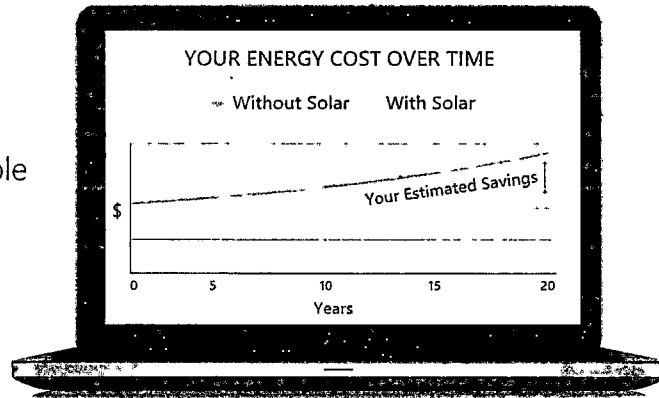
- 4** The solar credits are applied directly to your utility bill to help reduce your electricity costs. You will receive a separate bill from Clearway Community Solar for the cost of the solar credits.



See What You Could Save



Clearway Community Solar's transparent rate structure is predictable throughout your long-term contract and designed to protect you against potential annual utility rate increases.



Utility: Orange & Rockland

Avg. Monthly Energy Bill

\$100 - \$300	\$50 - \$100+
\$301 - \$500	\$120 - \$170+
\$501 - \$700	\$225 - \$280+
\$701 - \$900	\$340 - \$450+
\$901 - \$1,200+	\$500 - \$800+

Est. Term Savings

\$7,200 - \$16,000+
\$24,000 - \$32,400+
\$40,000 - \$49,200+
\$57,600 - \$74,400+
\$82,800 - \$125,000+



\$7,000+
Estimated Potential Savings

Utility: Central Hudson Gas & Electric

Avg. Monthly Energy Bill

\$100 - \$300	\$25 - \$70+
\$301 - \$500	\$70 - \$100+
\$501 - \$700	\$120 - \$170+
\$701 - \$900	\$200 - \$250+
\$901 - \$1,200+	\$300 - \$350+

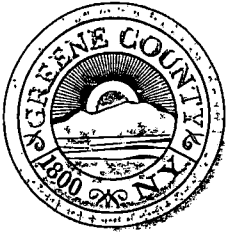
Est. Term Savings

\$4,750 - \$16,700+
\$22,700 - \$34,500+
\$40,600 - \$52,500+
\$58,500 - \$70,500+
\$82,000 - \$88,000+



\$4,000+
Estimated Potential Savings

Call today to get an exact quote for your home.



August 22, 2019

Dear Municipal Official:

Please find enclosed a Public Notice regarding the Greene County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board Eight-Year Review of Agricultural District No. 124. The eight-year review will be done simultaneously with the annual Agricultural District review in 2019-20, and is the only time where properties may be removed from the Agricultural District as well as added.

We kindly request that you share this notice with your Town Board, Planning Board and any other relevant local officials and members of the general public. We also ask that you post this notice in a publicly visible location within your Town or Village Hall.

During the eight-year review, the Greene County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board will prepare a report concerning the nature and status of farming and farm resources within the district. During this simultaneous review, the district can be modified with both the addition of parcels as well as removal of parcels and other modifications as determined from the review.

The open enrollment period will begin on October 1, 2019 and end on October 30, 2019. A 'Request for Inclusion' form can be obtained by contacting Rich Schiafo, Principal Planner, (518) 719-3290, rschiafo@discovergreene.com Greene County Economic Development, Tourism and Planning, 411 Main St, Suite 419, Catskill, NY 12414.

Upcoming Meeting Dates

- Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board, Wednesday, October 2, 2019, 7:00pm, Agroforestry Center 6055 NY-23, Acra.
- Public Information Session, Thursday, October 10, 2019, 7:00pm, Agroforestry Center 6055 NY-23, Acra.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter, and please contact Rich if you have any questions or needs.

Sincerely,

Karl Heck

Director of Economic Development and Planning

**Greene County
Economic Development,
Tourism & Planning**

411 Main Street, Suite 419
Catskill, New York 12414

**Warren Hart
Director**



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NOTICE OF A SIMULTANEOUS ANNUAL AND EIGHT-YEAR REVIEW
30-DAY PUBLIC REVIEW
OF GREENE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT NO. 124

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that Agricultural District No. 124 encompassing 38,333 acres within the County of Greene, in the Towns of Ashland, Athens, Cairo, Catskill, Coxsackie, Durham, Halcott, Hunter, Greenville, Jewett, New Baltimore, Prattsville, Lexington, Windham and the Villages of Athens, Catskill, Coxsackie, Hunter, and Tannersville (entire County of Greene), was established pursuant to Article 25-AA of the Agriculture and Markets Law.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that under Section 303 of the Agriculture and Markets Law, the County is required to review a district eight years after its creation and every eight years thereafter.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that under Section 303 of the Agriculture and Markets Law, the County is required on an annual basis to allow landowners an opportunity to submit a request for inclusion of land which is predominantly viable agricultural land within a certified agricultural district prior to the county established eight year review period.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that as provided for under Section 303 of the Agriculture and Markets Law the eight-year and annual review of Greene County's Agricultural District 124 will be conducted simultaneously.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, to streamline the processes and to conduct the annual and eight-year review simultaneously, the County will conduct a thirty-day comment and open enrollment period which will begin on October 1, 2019 and end on October 30, 2019, in place of the annual review period which is usually held September 1 to September 30.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that under Section 303 with Agriculture and Markets Law, any municipality whose territory encompasses the above Agricultural District, any State Agency or any landowner within or adjacent to the district may propose a modification of the district including a request for inclusion of land which is predominantly viable agricultural land, by filing such proposal with the clerk of the county legislature within the thirty-day comment and open enrollment period.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a map of the district and district parcels is on file and open to public inspection in the office of the Greene County Clerk and Clerk of the Greene County Legislature.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that any proposed modification must be filed with the Clerk of the County Legislature within the thirty (30) days specified.

August 31 2019

Greenville Fire District #1

***** Public Notice of Upcoming Meetings *****

Monday, September 16th, 2019 – 6:00pm – Budget Workshop

Tuesday, October 8th, 2019 – 7:00pm – Budget Hearing

***** And any other business brought before the Board *****

Greenville Local History Group Newsletter

August 2019, Issue 280

30 Years — GLHG and Town Historian

A near perfect mid-summer day prevailed, with low 80s, full sunshine until mid-afternoon, awaited the 25 or so who attended the August program: Stephanie Ingalls, Lew Knott, Donna Willard, Bob Shaw, Doris Philipp, Gail Biskupich, Flip Flach, Margaret Donohue, Edna Huffman, Iris Cochrane, Ken Mabey, Carolyn Sávery, Al Hulick, Rachel Ceasar, Richard Ceasar, Better Welter, Linda Smith, Barbara Flach, Maddy Prayto (granddaughter of Flip & Barbara), Robert & Johanna Titus, Susan (?), and Debra & Don Teator, and perhaps a couple who eluded my memory.

This August meeting was a chance to show off. First, some highlights, and then some commentary.

Greenville Local History Group – 30 Years (1989-2019)

- program structure: April through November programs (alternating share sessions ended Nov 2013)
- programs: one room school house, WWII, farming, house histories, cemeteries, our hamlets, service and social organizations, church history, school histories, town supervisors, artists, Three Suitcases, Bryant's history, South Street, Main Street, Freehold, general stores, resort visits (Sunny Hill, Baumann's Pine Lake Manor), Warren Eckler and Tom Teich, the Stevens family, Barbara Brumell, Flip Flach, Greenville Drive-In, Shelly Dobski and so on for 150 more
- multiple programs: local historian Chuck D'Imperio; local geologist Dr. Robert Titus and wife Johanna; old implements by Allyn and Mary Shaw; Walter Ingalls, Audrey Matott – Greenville history based on local, Ted Hilscher, County Historian David Dorpfeld, Jonathan Palmer
- Membership: started at about 20, steady at 50-75 pre-email era, currently at 2000
- Attendance: 15-ish average for almost 25 years; 20-50 the past several years; largest almost 100 for Bryant's program; other large audience: Stevens and South Street, One Room Schoolhouse
- Greenville Local History Group Newsletter: 279 issues – July 2019
- newspaper collection (Local: 1963ish–end; Press all; Pioneer: current)
- census transcription – 1910, 1925
- calendar – 1991-2005, 2009-2010, 2012, 2014-2019 (2020 coming); recognitions of almost 40 community members – half posthumously
- duplicate 2000 photos (loans from dozens of people)
- take 10,000 photos – buildings, cemeteries, people, events; start database
- 550 pages of negatives: numbered by page and frame
- photo slide shows: usually one per year for last decade
- notebooks & albums: 50: buildings by streets; cemeteries; school; miscellaneous
- GCS Yearbooks: 1939 to present; currently, separate editions for HS, MS, elem; have most MS, almost no elementary
- Collections: O'Hara, Felter, Bogardus, Kieffer post cards, Orrin Stevens, Pat Elsbree, and more

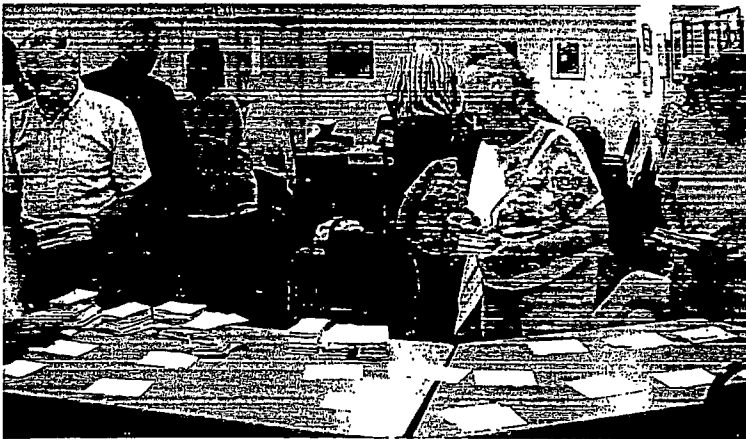
- diary transcriptions: Carrie Ingalls (Don Teator); R. Edwin Taylor (Harriett Rasmussen); Eleanor Goff Ingalls (Harriett Rasmussen); and several shorter works
- published sources
- artists continued: Cantarella
- collaboration with Civil War Round Table (Mary Heisinger)
- tax books: 1880s-1950
- resort information: up to 110, map
- maps
- Greenville in the wars
- interviews of residents (on tape, a few transcribed)
- Lillian Joy scrapbooks
- Planning Board history, documents
- Greene County home tours
- newspaper & magazine clippings: hundreds sorted by topic by former historian Edna Adams; hundreds more on wide range of topics relating to Greenville by Don Teator
- genealogy: Harriett Rasmussen (Abrams, Griffin, Elliott, Taylor, Utter, Tripp, Coonley, Wakely, and dozens of others as the topic arose)
- GCS history, newsletters, documents (3 folders from Lee & Arlene Brown)
- GCS history – Richard Ferriolo, et. al.
- GCS Alumni Association
- Concordia Circle contents
- “Things That Aren’t There”
- Greenville Homemakers contents
- Phil Ellis photos (many saved by Kathie Williams)
- pot luck dinners: first several years)
- Edward Drake bicentennial
- collaboration with Sylvia Hasenkopt, Nick & Mary Lou Nahas
- Sylvia Hasenkopf programs (four, last three Novembers)
- travelogues by Don & Debra Teator, Jackie & Jonas Havens, Den Mower
- support Eagle Scout projects
- and the 100s of people who have contributed
- and the several dozen more worthy deeds that could be noted
- Finishing off: Refreshments: Stephanie took over in October 2011; with Christine Mickelsen

WOW! is my first thought. And then I realize that each accomplishment has a story or three to accompany.

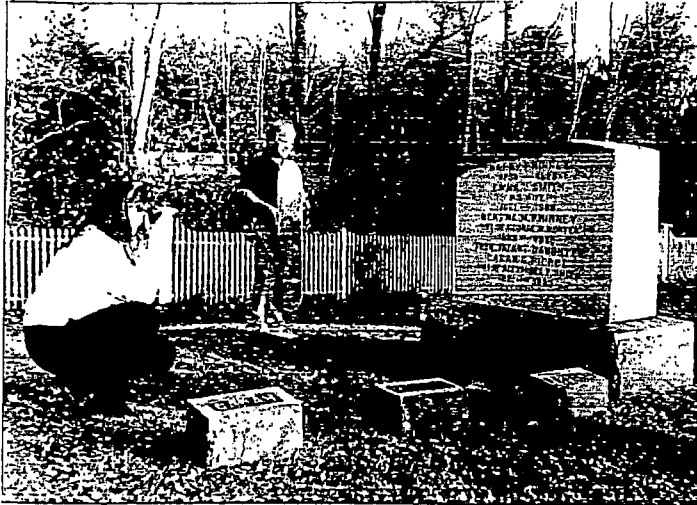
For example: the transcription of the Carrie Ingalls diary. In 1994, I was aware that Leona Ingalls Rundell was in possession of two diaries. After finding the first one uninteresting, I turned my attention to that of Leona’s mother Carrie. Carrie had started a diary in 1886, took a 19 year break starting after 1894, and then resumed keeping diary until her death in 1951.

I borrowed 1886 and, in a routine that would stand me in good stead for four years, I would transcribe 30-40 minutes each evening, just enough to get something done, but not so long that I resented the amount of time it took. (Remember, back then, I had a teenage son and a full time job teaching.) In three to five weeks, I would finish off the diary year, call Leona to arrange to pick up the diary of the next year, and spend 30-60 minutes asking my questions about the diary and listening to her memories, etc.

In four years, I finished the transcription totaling almost one million words. And what a learning experience I absorbed about Greenville local history. And this is just one of my stories.



GLHG alphabetizing some the 50,000 Hempstead cards in 2003. Ron Golden, Betty Vaughn, and Dot Blenis facing the camera



(Photo by Lee Ferris)
PRESERVING THE PAST... Debra Teator clicks the camera's shutter to record the face of a gravestone in a Freehold cemetery while her husband Don lines up a mirror to bring out the inscription on the stone.

Digging Up Facts In Greenville Graveyards

BY MICHAEL RYAN
 GREENVILLE, N.J. — Debra Teator, a Freehold resident, is photographing a gravestone in a cemetery. She is kneeling on the ground, holding a camera to her eye. Her husband, Don, is standing nearby, holding a mirror to reflect sunlight onto the stone. The gravestone is large and rectangular, with inscriptions. The background shows other graves and trees.

1992 Mt Eagle article about Debra and me photographing the town cemeteries.—Deb with the camera, me with the body-length mirror to reflect sunlight for the best angle.

The other WOW! is all of you. Although I thought of and developed a number of the ideas, so many of you helped out by assisting me, tackling a project on your own, and/or directing me to productive ends.

First of all, I thank my wife Debra for her sharing and supporting so many of these adventures. Between the darkroom knowledge and the aerial photography connection, and just the time to help out, especially during the first twenty years, Deb is the most knowledgeable of the scope of my doings.

The second thank you goes to the 16 Town Boards (two years each) who have supported my ventures and have approved an expense account that defrays some of the expenses.

And my third thank you goes to the hundreds of you who have abetted my capers. Those efforts come in so many forms.

Again, each one is a story, some longer than others.

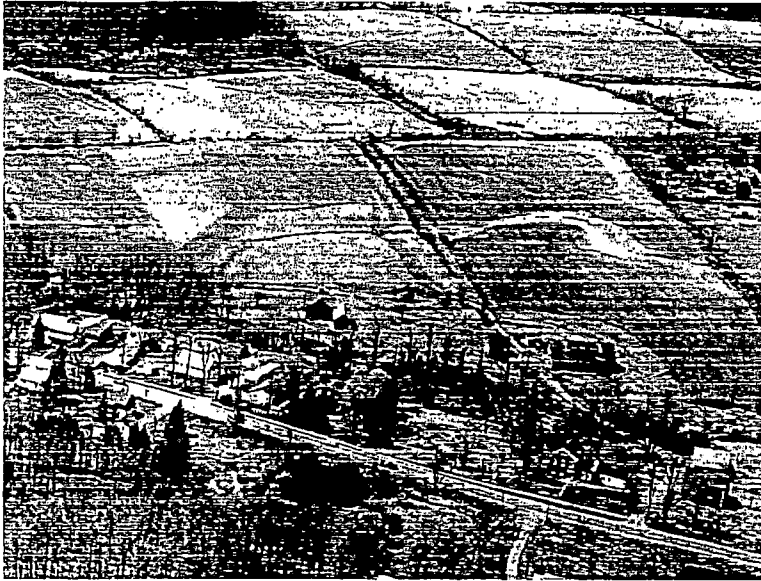
One question of the evening that no one seemed to know was how I became Greenville's Town Historian, and getting some good answers (crazy, foolish, last one in the room, etc.) and realizing I had not asked the right question, I asked this: So, why does Greenville have a Town Historian anyway?

The short answer: NYS law requires every municipality to have a historian — every town, village, city, and county. Even the state has one. So that is why Durham and Cairo and Greene County and so on all have a historian. In fact, the failure to appoint a historian usually results in a mini-crisis in that municipality.

As to my being appointed Historian (first by Supervisor Frank Tiberi, and then Martens, Maxwell, Wickes, Cardamone, Lewis, and Macko, and each of those Town Boards), I succeeded Edna Adams who filled the position from 1980-1988.

One handout at the meeting was a list of all the GLHG programs, a file that I have attached for the online subscribers. Those of you getting this by mail and wanting a copy, call or mail me the request, and I will get a list for you.

Somewhat in closing, it has been an enjoyable and worthy 30 years, with most of the stress of my own making. (I have learned I do need some.) And I thank all of you for playing your part in my fulfillment of duty but more importantly the sharing of the enjoyment and worthiness of this venture. I admitted that I have gained entry into many people's business with the simple request: "Hi, I am the Town Historian and I would like to...." I am in awe many times at the simplicity of the request and the degree of trust I feel from so many people. It has even worked with you!



1990s aerial photograph by Debra Teator:
 Along the bottom stretches North Street (Rt 32),
 from the Westerner area on the left and the
 Sherrill house and barns on the right. The hay
 fields hold today's ball fields and nature trail.

September 8 meeting: (Library, 7:30)

The late 1980s in Greenville saw an increasing pace of residential and commercial development, leaving some community members to call for a community park. A 1970s proposal had fallen through, and many saw the opportunity for a town park was dwindling as suitable sites were developed for other purposes. Such an opportunity arose and a few community members helped spearhead the efforts that resulted into the one of Greenville's gems – a 155 acre town park. Our presenter, Debbie Magee, was one of those people and she will present "The George V. Vanderbilt Park: the Early Years." Debbie will detail the challenging path that faced her and other proponents during the 1990-1995 years of the town park. Come on out to the meeting and share your memories of those early years.

Looking back, I cannot help but think of a quote attributed to Margaret Mead:
 "Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has." My

opinion: had it not been for a handful of these people in Greenville in the early 1990s, Greenville would still wishing it had a town park (besides the pond and Norton Hill).

Other Notes:

—The 2020 calendar is at the printer, readying for the October meeting. It feels like another birthing project soon to be delivered. And it seems that the 25th calendar is no less exciting or no easier than the first – there is always an air of nervous anticipation.

—Remember last month about the request for the location of Grandma's house that had a creek and some cabins? Picture my picking my jaw off the table after two responses that identified the probable location. The Perelles lived in the house between the former Greenville Methodist Church and Hilde Tompkins on South Street, with the Greenville Pond creek flowing through the back of the property, and it had some cabins. Thank you, Lew and Anita, for one surprisingly close-to-home answer.

—One of my notes at meeting's end was a look to the future. One of our projects should be an establishment of a list of historic homes and structures, a list that, at minimum, could be used for public attention. A more important use would be sharing with town government and lobbying to find a way to prevent these buildings from being destroyed at an owner's request. More in a future newsletter.

—A thank you, again, goes to Stephanie and Christine for providing the light refreshments.

Take care,

Account#	Account Description	Fee Description	Qty	Local Share
A 1255	MARRIAGE LIC.	MARRIAGE LICENSE FEE	2	15.00
			Sub-Total:	\$15.00
A 2130	MISC. FEES	Recycling	12	3,432.50
			Sub-Total:	\$3,432.50
A 2555	PERMIT FEES	Building	5	978.50
			Sub-Total:	\$978.50
A1255	Conservation	Conservation	15	62.22
			Sub-Total:	\$62.22
A1603	Registrar Fees	Certified Copies	8	80.00
			Sub-Total:	\$80.00
A2544	Dog Licensing	Female, Spayed	20	180.00
		Female, Unspayed	4	68.00
		Male, Neutered	14	126.00
		Male, Unneutered	4	68.00
		Purebred Licenses	1	50.00
		Replacement Tags	1	0.00
	Seniors, 65 and older	Seniors, 65 and older	14	-42.00
			Sub-Total:	\$450.00
A2770	MISC. FEES	Misc	3	9.00
			Sub-Total:	\$9.00

Total Local Shares Remitted: \$5,027.22

Amount paid to: NYS Ag. & Markets for spay/neuter program _____ 77.00
Amount paid to: NYS Environmental Conservation _____ 1,064.78
Amount paid to: State Health Dept. for Marriage Licenses _____ 45.00

Total State, County & Local Revenues: \$6,214.00

Total Non-Local Revenues: \$1,186.78

To the Supervisor:

Pursuant to Section 27, Sub 1, of the Town Law, I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full and true statement of all fees and monies received by me, Jackie Park, Town Clerk, Town of Greenville during the period stated above, in connection with my office, excepting only such fees and monies, the application of which are otherwise provided for by law.

Supervisor Date

Jackie Park 9-3-2019

Town Clerk Date