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2024 Spring Recycling Event

The Town's next Electronics - Tire Drop Off - Paper Shredding Recycling Event is scheduled to be held May 17th & 18th. More details to come in the April Newsletter, on the Town's website and Facebook page.



Hartland Happenings...

Quarterly News from your Town Water and Highway Departments



Goodbye 2023, Hello 2024

With every new year, there are goodbyes...and there are hellos.

As the Town of Hartland brings in the new year, we say goodbye to a five public servants who have served our Town on different levels and for different durations of time. On December 31, 2023, we said goodbye to four elected officials: Town Supervisor - Ross Annable 12 years, Councilman - Clifford Grant* 7 years, Councilman - David Hill 5 years and Town Clerk - Rachel Kushner 2 years. Also leaving us in January after 10 years at the Town is Audrey Annable - Confidential Secretary to the Supervisor. All have shared their experience and given their support to the positions they held at the Town. We say farewell and thank you for your commitment and contributions you have given for the betterment of our community.

While we say goodbye, we also say hello to four new public servants who are ready to share their commitment and contributions with the Town and our community. On January 1, 2024, we said hello to three first-time elected Town officials: Town Supervisor - Margaret "Peggy" Zaepfel*, Councilwoman - Elizabeth Neadow and Councilman - Sean Walp. Together they bring new ideas and different experiences to the positions which they have been elected to serve. Also joining the team is Caitlin Clark who will take on the position of Town Clerk in January. We welcome them all to the Town and to the New Year of opportunities for 2024.

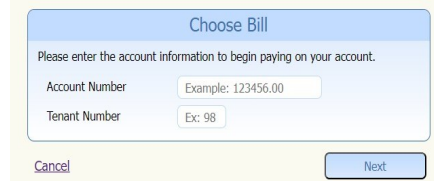
Whether we are saying goodbye or hello to these public servants, we must all remember that they put themselves out there, hoping to make a difference for the betterment of the community they desire to serve: while working hard for a noble purpose and being dedicated to the daily work of serving. After all, that is the true definition of a public servant.

**Individuals who have held other appointed positions throughout the years for the Town of Hartland.*

Paying Your Water Bill Online

1.) When paying your water bill online you are asked to enter your **Account Number**. This is the **FIRST 4 DIGITS** found on your bill.

Example:
1234.00 98



2.) Next you are asked to enter the **Tenant Number**. This is the **LAST 2 DIGITS** after the - .00 (usually a 99, 98, 97).

If you still have issues paying your water bill online please call our billing office at 716-735-7179.

Keep Up-To-Date on Everything Hartland!

Keep checking the Town Facebook page or the website at www.townofhartland.org for upcoming events and special announcements!

A Special Display to Honor Veterans

The Town of Hartland is pleased to announce the acquisition of a Vietnam Era helicopter through the U.S. Army donation program.

The Town has been on a waiting list for several years in the hopes for acquiring a piece of military equipment for display in the Town. When the call came in that the helicopter was available, we had only two weeks to accept it or get moved to the bottom of the waiting list for another piece of equipment.

The Town is working with a Volunteer Citizens Committee that has been formed with local Veterans and Gasport American Legion Post members to create a fitting and safe display to honor our veterans and current armed forces members. The helicopter was previously in the Town of DeRuyter, NY under the American Legion Woodford-Burdick Post.

Our thanks to the Highway Department for an outstanding job of transporting the helicopter to the town.



WINTER WEATHER REMINDERS

Garbage & Recycle Cart Placement Guidelines

As you place your garbage and recycling carts at the roadside every Monday, please remember that it's winter time and the snowplow needs lots of room to clear your road! The typical plow truck takes up the entire width of the driving lane – from the centerline to the white edge line – and then the plow wing extends about 6 more feet across the road shoulder. While we realize that Modern Disposal asks that carts be placed “within 5 feet of the roadside,” it is best during the winter months to **place them 5 feet from the pavement edge or line the carts up even with the front of your mailbox**. Please do not place them on the white line or close to the driving lane.

Please remove empty carts the same day after pickup!



DON'T

Crowd the Plow!

Please slow down and move over when you see a plow coming toward you!

Winter Parking Regulations No Overnight Parking

Town Code prohibits parking on roadsides from November 1 through April 1 from 2 a.m. until 7 a.m. and any other time when it would hinder snow removal operations. A violation may result in traffic tickets, fines and/or towing at the owner's expense. The complete text of the law is available for review in the Town Clerk's office.

Snow Clearing

Pushing snow into and across the right of way is illegal. If the snow in the right of way causes an accident, you are liable.

Your insurance company most likely will not cover any damages or injuries and you will be personally responsible.

Mailboxes Damaged During Snow Removal

During the winter months the Highway Department will occasionally receive calls regarding damage to mailboxes, either from snow plows directly or from the force of snow being thrown by the plows. Remember, snowplows can hurl hundreds of pounds of snow in one pass! If damage is indeed caused by snow removal, **it is not done intentionally**, but is an unfortunate consequence of snow removal.

In the event that a box or post is actually hit by a plow blade, we will repair or replace it with a standard metal box. The town will not replace any fancy mailboxes, posts or paper boxes of any kind.

If the force of the snow off the plow knocks the box from the post, we will re-attach it if possible. If not, we will, as a courtesy, place a temporary portable box so the resident can receive mail. It is the owner's responsibility to repair or replace their mailbox and post. When done, you may call the Highway Department to have the temporary box picked up.

If you have a decorative, expensive, or otherwise extraordinary mailbox, please consider removing it during the winter months and temporarily using a simple metal box mounted directly on top of a treated 4 x 4 post.

