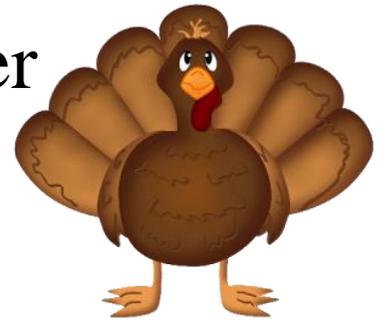


# Forestburgh Newsletter

*November 2016*



## **Board and Committee News:**

### **Town Meeting Schedules:**

#### **Town Board**

At the November Town Board meeting that was held on November 3, the Town Board passed the 2017 Budget which comes in at the tax cap allowance of .6%. To view the adopted budget go to the town website at [www.forestburgh.net](http://www.forestburgh.net). The Town Board is also considering an amendment to the zoning regulations to define indoor recreational use. There will be notices of public hearings as we progress.

All residents are encouraged to participate in or at any level of the Town. Even if it is just attending some meetings. It's our Town, and we should all have a say in the direction it is heading. Regular Town Board Meetings are the 1st Thursday of every month, at 7pm at the Town Hall.

**Town Hall hours are from 9-3 Mon. through Fri. (845)794-0611. TOWN HALL WILL BE CLOSED NOVEMBER 24 & 25 IN OBSERVANCE OF THANKSGIVING**

#### **Planning Board:**

At the October regular meeting, which was postponed to November 1 from the regularly scheduled date because of a late submission, the Planning Board conducted a sketch plan meeting and review of a submission provided by Tent Days, concerning their concept for an upscale tent camping facility for the 306 acre parcel at 80 Tannery Road which they are considering buying. A very productive exchange of ideas and information occurred. They have met with the Fire Department and received input from them on various items, which was included in their presentation. Their concept is still in the development stages, and they advised the Planning Board that they anticipate that they will be making a decision as to whether to move forward with this project by the end of November, and if their decision is positive, an application for a special use permit will follow. Stay tuned.

The Planning Board has received a draft of a new subdivision law which was previously prepared by the prior town attorney. There has been discussion of updating our subdivision code in Forestburgh for over 10 years – and it has now reached this last step before it is finalized into a draft Local Law, which will then go through the formal Town Board Review and Public comment process that all Local Laws do. At the October meeting, the Planning Board began the somewhat laborious process of going through this code, section by section – making suggestions for clarifications, modifications, additions, and deletions. This process will continue at the Planning Board's next meeting, on November 22, at 7pm at Town Hall. This will be the only substantive item on the agenda for that meeting.

**At the October Town Board meeting, the Town Board voted to re-establish a 7 member Planning Board, and is seeking applications to fill the 2 new seats. Letters of interest can be sent to the bookkeeper at [forestburghbookkeeper@yahoo.com](mailto:forestburghbookkeeper@yahoo.com).**

#### **Comprehensive Plan Committee**

The next scheduled meeting for the Comprehensive Plan Committee is November 17<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Town Hall to discuss updating our plan. As always, all are welcome and encouraged to attend. So if you can, stop in and have a voice in the planning of the future of "our town".

## **Announcements:**

### **Highway Department:**

The Highway Department has their plow trucks up and ready to go for winter.

There is salt and sand outside the town barn in a shed available to the residents of the Town of Forestburgh. Burns Road is closed for the winter and will reopen in April 2017.

Any questions about the Highway Department should be addressed to Joe Ruggeri at 845-794-8069 or you can stop into the town barn during normal business hours.

### **Forestburgh Welcome Committee:**

A new committee is in the works for the Town of Forestburgh and a few members are needed. It has been brought up at the last board meeting that we don't have a formal committee in place to welcome new residents when they move in to our beautiful town. As a committee member you would help put a welcome basket together and deliver it to the new residents as a gesture of gratitude on behalf of the Town of Forestburgh. Anyone interested in being a part of this committee should contact Sally Heins-Jasuta at 791-9482 or Joanne Nagoda at 794-0611 ext. 21.

### **Forestburgh Renaissance:**

We're looking for a few good men and women to help form a plan to continue planting and caring for the Town gardens and to help make the area around the Town Hall reflect the natural beauty of Forestburgh. If you are interested in being a part of this group or if you have an idea that you would like to see happen, please contact Joanne Nagoda at 794-0611 ext. 21.

### **Website/Newsletter**

Please take a few moments to browse the new Town of Forestburgh website at [www.forestburgh.net](http://www.forestburgh.net). It is chock full of important information and happenings. As reported for several months, we will no longer be mailing copies of the newsletter unless requested. This is in an attempt to save a couple thousand dollars a year in printing and mailing costs. Please let Wendy know if you would like the newsletter mailed to you by calling her at 794-0611 Ext 28. If not it will be e-mailed, as long as you supply your e-mail address to Wendy. The newsletter will also be posted on the website.

## **FORESTBURGH SENIORS' UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- DECEMBER 12- Club Meeting: Lunch

Any questions concerning these upcoming events should be addressed to Sabina Toomey 794-2702.

**OUR TOWN** (submitted by Town Historian, Sabina Toomey)

Have a safe and wonderful Thanksgiving. Take a moment to reflect on all you have to be thankful for.

A very special Thank You goes out to Karen & Bruce Ellsweig, Joanne Nagoda, Sally Heins-Jasuta and Sabina Toomey for taking time out of their busy schedules to help plant 100 Daffodil bulbs in the Eagle Garden. Their hard work will be even more appreciated in the Spring when the fruits of their labor are in full bloom!

All of the deer resistant plants in the Eagle Garden survived and thrived!  
The Eagle is safe inside the Town Hall for the winter in all its majesty.

Congratulations to the Forestburgh Fire Department for having a successful roast beef dinner! Everyone that went said it was delicious!

Special Thank You to all the men and women of the Town of Forestburgh who served in the protection of our Nation, and for all the women who helped by serving on the home front. Flora Powers, a resident of our town, played an active part in building the planes for the Army Airforce. God Bless you Flora!