

Town of Forestburgh Newsletter

April 2018



Forestburgh Town Hall hours are from 9-3 Mon. through Fri. (845)794-0611

Forestburgh Highway Department hours are from 7-3:30 Mon through Fri. (845)794-8069

HELP WANTED

The Town of Forestburgh Recreation Department is seeking qualified & certified candidates to apply for the position of Recreation Director. Send a letter of interest, along with your resume, and references to the Town Clerk, Joanne Nagoda, at 332 King Rd., Forestburgh, NY 12777 or by email to townofforestburgh@hvc.rr.com by May 3, 2018. This position is a part time seasonal position. For more information call the Town Hall at (845)794-0611 or visit our website at forestburgh.net.

Board and Committee News:

For a copy of the minutes and/or agendas, please visit our website at forestburgh.net. While on the website, please check the calendar for upcoming events and meetings.

Town Board

The Forestburgh Town Board meetings are held the 1st Thursday or every month at 7pm in the Town Hall, located at 332 King Rd., Forestburgh. Be sure to check the Town's website at **forestburgh.net** for a list of upcoming meetings, times, agenda and minutes. The May Town Board meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, May 3, 2018 at 7pm.**

Letter From the Supervisor

At the April meeting the town board discussed the costs associated with the snow and ice contract we have with Sullivan County. It was determined that if we opted out of the contract next year we can save in excess of \$100,000.00 a year. Being a significant savings, the town board voted to opt out of the 2018-2019 season. Sullivan County paid us \$119,000.00 a year, but we were spending double that by the time you add up sand and salt purchases, plow edges, fuel, labor costs, plus truck replacement and repairs. Inflation has surpassed payment and it was decided it would be beneficial to opt out. This will mean that Sullivan County will now be responsible for plowing and sanding all 20.96 miles of county roads in our town. The town highway department will now be responsible for the 33.63 miles of town owned roads. Sullivan County has the ability to maintain the roads as good as they have ever been, and I am sure they will.

The town board and I are serious about, and will continue to look for ways to reduce the tax burden on residents of Forestburgh.

We are also very near adopting a very comprehensive and fair "Solar law". This law will allow individual residential property to enjoy the benefits of small scale solar facilities, but will protect the town from large scale commercial facilities by regulating them in a way that is beneficial to both residents, and the commercial operations as well. We encourage sustainable energy, and at the same time recognize the need to protect our Town.

Wishing everyone a happy spring, get out and do some gardening or fishing, hiking, or whatever piques your interest, but be sure to get out and enjoy outdoor activities.

Planning Board

The Town Board has decided to form a committee to explore the cost of - and predictability of energy costs to Forestburgh Residents. The New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) is promoting a program called Community Choice Aggregation (CCA). NYSERDA describes it in detail on their website.

Planning Board cont'd

<https://www.nyserda.ny.gov/All-Programs/Programs/Clean-Energy-Communities/Clean-Energy-Communities-Program-High-Impact-Action-Toolkits/Community-Choice-Aggregation> where the following description is provided:

CCA allows local governments to work together through a shared purchasing model to put out for bid the total amount of electricity and/or natural gas being purchased by eligible customers within the jurisdictional boundaries of participating municipalities. Eligible customers will have the opportunity to have more control to lower their overall energy costs, to spur clean energy innovation and investment, to improve customer choice and value, and to protect the environment, thereby fulfilling an important public purpose.

If you would like to serve on the committee that is going to explore this issue and whether it makes sense for Forestburgh, and make recommendations to the Town Board, please contact Richard Robbins, rarattny@gmail.com or 646-522-0514.

Zoning Rewrite Committee

There will be a meeting of the Zoning Rewrite Committee on **May 8, 2018 at 7pm** in the Forestburgh Town Hall, located at 332 King Rd., Forestburgh, NY 12777.

Announcements:

Spring Clean Up

The Town of Forestburgh Highway Department will have Spring Clean Up on May 14 – May 18 from 7am-3:30pm and on Saturday, May 19 from 7am-5pm. Please see the attached information for full details.

Town Clerk's Corner

FREE RABIES CLINIC Tuesday, April 24th 6pm-7:30pm at the Livingston Manor Firehouse. Bring prior rabies certificate to receive 3yr. vaccine. All pets must be in carrier or on a leash. All pets must be at least 3 months old. For more information- 845-513-2268 or Rockland Town Clerk-845-439-5450 Ext 300.

Please remember, as the weather gets warmer and your dogs are outside they MUST be on a leash when off of your property. Not only is it the law, but it also protects the dogs from injury and illness. To further reduce the risk of illness or injury to your pet, make sure they are up to date on vaccines and licensed. Any dog that is harbored in the town for 30 days or more must be licensed. You can license your dog at the Town Hall with the Town Clerk. Any further questions can be answered by call 794-0611 Ext. 21.

Forestburgh Senior Events

If you are interested in joining the Forestburgh Senior Club, please contact Sabina Toomey at 794-2702. This year the seniors will meet the first Monday of every month unless there is a holiday, then an alternate date will be scheduled.

Monticello School Budget Voter Registration

Monticello School Budget voter registration day is **Tuesday, May 8, 2018 from 4:00pm to 8:00pm** at the Town Hall, located at 332 King Rd, Forestburgh, NY. The Monticello School Budget vote is Tuesday, May 15, 2018 at the Town Hall from 8:00am to 8:00pm. For more information contact the Town Clerk at 794-0611 Ext. 21

Forestburgh Fire Department

The Forestburgh Fire Department will be hosting a **pancake breakfast** on **May 20, 2018**, serving from 8-11am. Also, as a reminder, the State Wide Burn Ban will go is in effect from March 15 until May 15.

No outdoor burning of any sorts during this time period. The burning of leaves, grass, and garbage is prohibited at all times throughout New York State. Any questions can be directed to Chief Todd Petrowsky at 794-7899.

Forestburgh Renaissance Committee

The next scheduled meeting of the Forestburgh Renaissance Committee will be on **Tuesday, May 1, 2018 at 4:30pm** in the Town Hall. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.



Summer Camp Registration

The Forestburgh Summer Camp program dates for 2018 are **July 2-August 10**. Registration will open on May 7th and the forms are available on our website, forestburgh.net, or at the Town Hall. Please bring camper registration form, medical/insurance forms and updated immunization records for each child on the first day you bring them to camp. You may also, mail them in advance to: Forestburgh Town Hall, Summer Camp Registration, 332 King Road, Forestburgh, NY 12777. Camp is FREE for residents/non-residents with a relative living in the Town of Forestburgh, and \$125.00 per week/per child for non-residents. Any further questions please contact Joanne Nagoda at the Town Hall, 794-0611 Ext. 21.

Town of Forestburgh
332 King Road
Forestburgh, NY 12777

TOWN OF FORESTBURGH SPRING CLEAN UP

MAY 14TH – MAY 19TH 2018

Residents must separate materials into the following categories prior to bringing it to the Town Barn:

- A. Appliances and Scrap Metal (washers, dryers, stoves, water heaters, pipe, etc.)
- B. Construction and demolition debris and bulky waste (furniture, mattresses, carpets, etc.)
- C. Recyclables

******ANY BULKY WASTE ITEMS SHOULD BE NEAT & TIED WITH ROPE******

(For example: shingles)

We cannot accept the following items:

- NO tires
- NO refrigerators or air conditioners
- NO pipe or metal objects that are 4 foot or longer in length (must be cut to proper size)
- NO fuel tanks or oil drums
- NO full or partially full cans of paint, petroleum products, pesticides or any other hazardous waste
- NO brush, yard waste, bags of leaves, stumps or rocks
- NO household garbage or commercial waste of any kind
- NO electronic scrap (computer monitors, computers, or television, etc.)

HOURS OF OPERATION

MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY 7:00 A.M. TO 3:30 P.M.

SATURDAY, MAY 19, 7:00 A.M. TO 5:00 P.M.

IF YOU ARE DISABLED OR A SENIOR AND NEED ASSISTANCE

PLEASE CALL THE TOWN BARN 794-8069

2018 ANNUAL

LITTER PLUCK



Plucked trash accepted April 21 - May 13, 2018

Free Bags available at all Municipal Offices, Transfer Stations, and the S.C. Parks office.

Funded by the Sullivan County Legislature

For more information please contact Brian Scardefield, Director of Parks, Recreation & Beautification at 807-0287

FP FORESTBURGH PLAYHOUSE



*Calling
all
Volunteers!*

WE NEED YOUR HELP!...

...to help us paint, clean and get our
NEW PLAYHOUSE MANOR
ready for the summer!

* April 14 from 11-6 *

* April 21 from 11-6 *

* April 28 from 11-6 *

We will provide lunch, snacks and bottled water!

PLEASE RSVP TO FRANKLIN AT THE EMAIL ADDRESS BELOW

WE COULD ALSO USE HOUSEHOLD CLEANING & REPAIR DONATIONS!

Email Franklin at FRANKLIN@FBPLAYHOUSE.ORG For Instructions & To RSVP or Call 845-794-2005