



Town of Forestburgh Newsletter

Board and Committee News:

For a copy of the minutes and/or agendas, please visit our website at www.forestburgh.net . While on the website, please check the calendar for upcoming events and meetings. You can also see postings for upcoming meetings at the Forestburgh Firehouse, Forestburgh Town Hall and in the Sullivan County Democrat newspaper.

Town Board

The Town of Forestburgh Town Board monthly meeting is usually held on the first Thursday of the month at 6:00pm located in the Forestburgh Town Hall unless otherwise stated. The next scheduled meeting will be **Thursday, September 3, 2026**. For the monthly agenda, meeting minutes and updates, please visit the town website at www.forestburgh.net. You can also see postings for upcoming meetings at the Forestburgh Firehouse, Forestburgh Town Hall and in the Sullivan County Democrat newspaper. For more information, please call the Town Hall 845-794-0611 ext. 101.

Planning Board

The Planning Board met for its regular July meeting. The sole agenda item was an application by the Hartwood Club to divide a 5.14. Acre parcel from its recently purchased Galligan Road 915-acre parcel purchased from the Boy Scouts of America. The Board identified a number of details that it requires answers to in addressing this application, and the matter was adjourned to provide the applicant with the opportunity to address these concerns. There being no timely submissions for consideration at an August Planning Board meeting, there won't be one.

Announcements:

Dog Control Officer(VACANT: POSITION AVAILABLE)

NYS has enacted a new law which requires stricter standards for shelter placement, care and veterinary services. This new law will present additional physical and financial challenges to provide services within an animal care system which is already in crisis as shelter space is extremely limited as is the availability of immediate veterinary care.

Please make certain that your dogs are vaccinated for rabies, are not permitted to run loose and are licensed with the Forestburgh Town Clerk (all of which are required as per NYS law). Microchips, identification tags and collars with phone numbers on them all assist me in getting your dog home safely without having to place them in a shelter.

I sincerely thank those members of our Forestburgh community whose efforts make possible the safety and care of dogs who are lost or abandoned. I appreciate you!

***VACANCIES* Board of Assessment Review(2) & Dog Control Officer**

The Town of Forestburgh BAR has 2 paid positions available and we are looking for a part time Dog Control Officer. If interested please send a letter of interest to the Town Clerk, 332 King Road, Forestburgh, NY 12777 or if you have any questions, please direct them to (845)794-0611 ext. 101.

Our Town(as submitted by Town Historian, Sabina Toomey)

Betsy Ross and The Flag

The flag attributed to Betsy Ross' design was officially adopted in 1777, but no official congressional records or diaries exist to verify the flag's origin. However, archival records do prove Ross was a skilled upholsterer, Ross was paid by the Pennsylvania State Navy board for making ship colors. In 1811 she produced over 50 garrison flags to be installed at the U.S. Arsenal. For over 50 years Betsy Ross and her family produced thousands of flags for the government and military. Visit her home in Philadelphia to see the place she spent her life's work. The flag has changed many times over the years. The last time in 1960 when the 50th star was added when Hawaii became a state. Our Town has a 49 star flag preserved in our archives. Don't forget to come out to Forestburgh Day for a display about Betsy Ross and flag history. I'll be there dressed like Betsy and with my spring wheel. There will be lots of fun events and a trivia quiz with a prize!

Highway Department

The Highway Department is going to be out doing things like Brushing, Patching, some Ditching, and whatever other issues we find while we are out on the roads. We have a small crew, and we will take care of what we can before winter hits. If any town residents have concerns, they can reach out to us at the town barn (845)794-8069. We will be switching back to the winter schedule starting September 7th, so we will be here Monday thru Friday 7am to 330 pm.

Forestburgh Fire Company

As summer continues, there has been a lot happening at the Forestburgh Fire Company, and I'm happy to share some positive news. Over the past several months, we've welcomed several new members who are beginning their orientation and training, learning the skills needed to safely and effectively serve our community. It's encouraging to see new faces stepping forward to help their neighbors. Even with this recent growth, however, our need for additional volunteers remains. A strong volunteer fire company depends on having enough people available when emergencies happen, and there is always room for someone willing to help. No prior experience is necessary—training and equipment are provided. Thank you to everyone who participated in the recent Community Yard Sale at the firehouse. The event was a great success, and it was nice to see so many neighbors come together. We appreciate everyone who helped make it possible and look forward to hosting it again next year.

The next event at the firehouse will be **Forestburgh Day on Saturday, August 29, from 12:00–4:00 PM**. It's always a great opportunity for our community to come together, and we hope to see everyone there. Following Forestburgh Day, our **Annual Roast Beef Dinner will be held on Saturday, September 19, from 4:00–8:00 PM**. Both eat-in and take-out will be available. We hope you'll join us for a good meal while supporting your local volunteer fire company.

Work also continues on assembling and installing the new 911 address signs throughout town. As a reminder, these signs should be placed at the entrance to the driveway, on the same side of the road as the property they identify, and visible from both directions. Signs placed near the house or across the road from the driveway can cause confusion and delay emergency responders. Proper placement and keeping your sign free from obstructions can make an important difference when every second matters. Thank you, as always, for the continued support you show the Forestburgh Fire Company and our members. I'm especially grateful to those who have recently stepped forward to join us, but we still need more volunteers. If you've considered getting involved, stop by the firehouse Wednesday evenings between 7:00 and 9:00 PM, speak with any member, call the non-emergency line (845)794-7899 or email us at join@forestburghfire.com.

Forestburgh Event Committee

The Forestburgh Event Committee (FEC) is excited to sponsor one amazing event this August:

On Saturday, August 29th, FEC is proud to sponsor our 2026 Fabulous-Fun-Fantastic **FORESTBURGH DAY**. This event takes place at the Firehouse from 12:00 PM until 4:00 PM, rain or shine. Your family can meet representatives from wonderful local businesses, shop with local vendors and craftspeople, enjoy truly delicious food, sample Forestburgh's bakers' best desserts, catch up with neighbors, play yard games, engage in safety training and test your knowledge of Forestburgh history and trivia, all while listening to historian speakers and watching an historical reenactment. Please bring the whole family, meet your friends, and support our brave volunteer fire fighters and our wonderful Town.

Please contact Teresa Collins, Town Clerk, with any questions. Thank you!

Town of Forestburgh
332 King Road
Forestburgh, NY 12777

SULLIVAN COUNTY WORKFORCE SUMMIT VETERAN FORUM 2026

BEYOND THE UNIFORM:
CONNECTING VETERANS AND DIVERSE TALENT TO OPPORTUNITY

HONORING SERVICE. EXPANDING OPPORTUNITY.
BUILDING INCLUSIVE WORKPLACES.

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★ TODAY! ★**

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

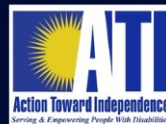
- ★ Veteran & Employer Panel Discussion
- ★ Workforce & Training Resources
- ★ Inclusive Hiring Strategies
- ★ Veteran Employment Success Stories
- ★ Community Partner Networking
- ★ Resource Exhibitors



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ON **EVENTBRITE!**

Search: Sullivan County
Workforce Summit 2026
Veteran Forum

Joseph P. Dwyer Veteran Program



HOSTED BY
Center for Workforce Development
845-794-3340
50 North Street
Monticello, NY 12701
sullivanworks.org

Action Toward Independence



10.7.26

7:30AM-12:00PM

**THE KARTRITE RESORT &
INDOOR WATERPARK – GRAND BALLROOM**
555 RESORTS WORLD DRIVE
MONTICELLO, NY 12701