



2022

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.

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. The next monthly meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 4, 2022. For the monthly agenda and meeting minutes, please visit the town website at www.forestburgh.net.

Planning Board

There being no matters pending before the Planning Board, and no new applications have been received, there was no June Planning Board meeting, and there will not be one in July.

Zoning Re-Write Committee

The Zoning Re-Write Committee met on July 12th via zoom. The committee will continue working on the bulk tables and amending any language as deemed appropriate. A second monthly meeting may be scheduled pending availability.

Announcements:

Town Clerk

The Town Pool is OPEN for the summer season!! Hours of operation are 1:00pm-7:00pm Thursday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday. The pool is free to use by Town of Forestburgh residents only. Pool Passes are available thru the Town Clerk. You must provide a copy of your driver's license and proof of Residency for Forestburgh (i.e., tax bill, electric bill etc.) Come down to the Town Hall, barbecue on our grills, play on the playground and use the pool!

Highway Department

The highway department is finishing up some paving work and plans on doing more in the coming months. They continue to mow around Town. As always, any questions or concerns, call (845)794-8069. Please be safe and have a great summer!

Dog Control Officer

Reminder to all dog owners; by law, all dogs must be licensed. Please see the Town Clerk for details. Dogs must always be on a leash or in complete control of the owner. It is against the law for any dog to be on private property without expressed permission from the property owner or wandering loose on any public road or on any public property. Letting dogs roam loose creates a safety hazard for the dog, the public and other pets. Please be a responsible dog owner and a good neighbor.

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

The new Forestburgh Cultural Series is starting on July 23, 2022, at 7:00pm with Mr. Frank Salvati speaking in the Town Hall about Forestburgh's part in the Battle of Neversink Ford. Mr. Salvati is an area interpreter of Colonial Indian Affairs and a well-respected speaker about Joseph Brant, "A Man of Two Worlds". A collection of his Indian artifacts is on view at the Deerpark Museum in Huguenot, NY. Please take note that there are new additions to the "Our Town Library" (available upon request). A Pictorial History of De Bruce settled by the Dutch in 1676-1711, a beautiful little town in our Sullivan County. Call the Town Historian, Sabina Toomey, at 845-794-2702 if you're interested in seeing any of the items in the library. Hope to see you at the event on the 23rd! God Bless, Stay Safe.

FREE Rabies Clinic

Town of Liberty is hosting a free rabies clinic at Hanofee Park on Thursday, August 18, 2022, from 6PM to 7:30PM. Sullivan County residents only with proof of ID required. Everyone must wear a mask and maintain social distancing guidelines while at clinic site. Appointments are required! Pre-registration is required- <https://tinyurl.com/445ks93p> Bring prior rabies certificate to receive a 3-year vaccination. With no vaccine history, receive a 1-year vaccination. All pets must be leashed or in a carrier. All pet owners **MUST** clean up after their pets! All pets must be at least 3 months old. Dogs, cats, and ferrets are welcome. Aggressive dogs must be muzzled to prevent any incidents. If you don't have access to a computer or have questions, please call 845-292-5910. Sponsored by Sullivan County Public Health Services.

Forestburgh Fire Department

The Steinberg Family, Commissioners, Officers, and Members of the Forestburgh Fire Company cordially invite you to the Dedication of the William J. "Billy" Steinberg Memorial, August 27, 2022, 11:00am at the Forestburgh Fire Company Firehouse, 2539 State Rt. 42, Forestburgh, NY 12777.

Sullivan County Cultural Center NEW Exhibit



The Neversink-Hackledam project is a little-known and long forgotten proposal to build a hydroelectric dam on the Neversink River in Forestburgh. Proposed in 1913, it would have changed the face of Sullivan County, with a 9-mile-long reservoir stretching upstream from Forestburgh across the Town of Thompson into the Town of Fallsburg, with a 60-foot depth at Bridgeville! Building this massive project would have included a 2 ½-mile train line, a 5 ½-mile tunnel through the Shawangunk Mountains, as well as relocating the hamlet of Bridgeville and three cemeteries. The project was abandoned when funding was diverted to the World War I effort, but the survey for this reservoir, which included property

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belonging to major landowner Benjamin Wechsler, would snarl the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation in a protracted and expensive lawsuit in 1986 as they acquired land for the current Neversink Gorge Unique Area. Opening July 24 at 2 p.m., the display will also include the completed Town of Thompson One-Room School Project, with 20 historic plaques erected. A display case, featuring an 1835 lease between Elijah Clark and the still-standing Columbia Hill School #17 of the Monticello School District, is currently being renovated. Join the Sullivan County Historical Society to learn some fabulous local history - and how these projects were connected by a cable swinging bridge to allow local schoolchildren to cross the Neversink River! The display is dedicated to former Town of Thompson Historian Al Wolkoff. The Sullivan County Cultural Center is located at 265 Main Street in Hurleyville, New York. For more information, call 845-434-8044. The opening is free, and light refreshments will be served.

***NEW*Forestburgh Cultural Series**

On July 23rd at 7:00pm will be the launch of the NEW Forestburgh Cultural Series! These exciting series will include informative talks, music, local history, etc... Check the calendar on the Town website for updated information: www.forestburgh.net This series is free to attend, and some will be held outdoors at the Town Hall. Please see the write up on the first of these series under Our Town in this newsletter. If you or someone you know have a talent or wisdom that you would be interested in sharing, please contact either Sabina Toomey at 845-794-2702 or Wendy Wells at 845-794-0611 ext28 Spread the word!! Looking forward to seeing everyone there!

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