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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. The next monthly meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, January 4, 2024**. 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 at 845-794-0611 ext. 21. There will be a year end meeting on December 28, 2023 at 5:30pm at the Town Hall.

Planning Board

The Planning Board held its regular November meeting. There were two items on the agenda - an application for site plan approval and special use permit for a Tavern (Finnegan's) at 2846 State Rt 42 , and an application for site plan approval and special use permit for a large scale, ground mounted Solar energy system (~5MW) (NY Forestburgh 1,LLC) at 2380 State Rt 42. The Planning Board declared its intent to function as lead agency for environmental review purposes for both applications. Neither application was found to be complete. Since the meeting, additional submissions have been made on behalf of NY Forestburgh 1, including an application for a 2-lot subdivision of their 225-acre parcel - with the smaller of the two lots being devoted to the proposed Solar energy system. These two applications, by NY Forestburgh 1 will appear on the agenda for our December meeting, being held at 7 pm, at Town Hall on December 19. That will be the only substantive matters on our agenda.

Announcements:

Dog Control Officer

Reminder to all dog owners: by law all dogs must have current RABIES vaccinations and be licensed. Rabies and license tags must be always attached to the dog's collar or harness. There has been a significant increase in abandoned dogs, dogs roaming loose and bite incidents. Letting dogs run loose is not only illegal it also creates a safety hazard for the public, the dog and other pets. Please be a responsible dog owner and a good neighbor.

Forestburgh Fire Company

The Forestburgh Fire Company still has smoke detectors available. Please email adevlin@hvc.rr.com or call him at (845)794-1251 if you need a new smoke detector. All residents are eligible.

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

On October 22, 2023 at the Annual Meeting and Awards Dinner of the Sullivan County Historical Society the Honorable Anthony Kane was given the History Maker Award. In the year 2015 Forestburgh Historian for seventeen years was also honored a History Preserver. Anthony Kane and his supportive wife, Nancy, left Mr. Vernon and went to Liberty after hearing about a legal service attorney job in Sullivan County. He started work with Nat Hand and Nancy got a teaching position at the Eldred Central School. The couple moved to Forestburgh and raised two boys, Matthew and Timothy. They have lived in Forestburgh for the past 35 years. In 1980 Anthony became the Town Attorney. In 1985 he was elected Sullivan County Family Court Judge and the rest is History! Please go to the Town website and see full details of this special man under History. God Bless you Judge Kane. You and Nancy enjoy your retirement in peace & good health. We are so proud of you!

Highway Department

The Highway Department is asking residents to please keep your vehicle in your driveway not on the road during winter months, and please don't push snow out to the road. Please come take advantage of the sand shed at the town barn. From the highway Dept wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

911 Signs

The Forestburgh Fire Department and the Town Board are requesting that 911 signs be properly posted on the roadside as well as on your house. There has been several instances lately where response times to emergencies have been impaired due to improper or no posting of 911 numbers. Please, for the sake of our volunteer first responders, and for the safety of yourself and family members, post your 911 numbers where easily visible.



Wishing you all a very happy holiday season!
May it be filled with light, love and health.

