



Schuyler Town Newsletter

TOWN OF SCHUYLER, HERKIMER COUNTY, NEW YORK

MAY 2017

Regular Town Board Meeting

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10th — 6:00 PM

Planning Board Meeting

WEDNESDAY, MAY 3rd — 6:00 PM

Extravaganza Planning Committee Meeting



WEDNESDAY, MAY 31st • 7:00 PM
Schuyler Town Office



— All Welcome —

Town Clerk Hours

Barbara J. Boulia, Town Clerk
Vee Bord, Deputy Town Clerk

Phone: 733-7458 • Fax: 733-5431
E-Mail: townclerk@townofschuyler.com

MONDAYS: 10:00 AM — 3:00 PM & 6:00 — 7:00 PM

TUESDAYS: 10:00 AM — 3:00 PM

WEDNESDAYS: 10:00 AM — 3:00 PM

THURSDAYS: 10:00 AM — 3:00 PM

FRIDAYS: 10:00 AM — 3:00 PM

Grievance Day: Wed., May 24th - 4 to 8 PM

Assessor George Haskell's Special Office Hours for May
Thurs., May 4th • Thurs., May 11th • Thurs., May 18th
5:00 — 9:00 PM

Saturday, May 20th • 9:00 AM — 1:00 PM
Phone: 733-7458, Ext. 225 (leave message)

NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF TENTATIVE ASSESSMENT ROLL
(Pursuant to Sections 506 and 1526 of the Real Property Tax Law)
— Hearing of Complaints —

Notice is hereby given that the Assessor of the Town of Schuyler, County of Herkimer, has completed the Tentative Assessment Roll for the current year and that a copy has been left with the Town Clerk at Schuyler Municipal Building (2090 State Route 5), where it may be seen and examined by any person until the fourth Wednesday in May. The Assessor will be in attendance with the Tentative Assessment Roll at the above hours and location. The Board of Assessment Review will meet on May 24, 2017, between 4 PM and 8 PM at the Municipal Building in said town, to hear and examine all complaints in relation to assessments, on the written application of any person believing himself to be aggrieved.

— George Haskell, Sole Assessor

Town Departments & Info. for Residents

Court Clerk's Hours:
8:00 — 3:00 PM • Mon. thru Friday
Court in Session: Every Monday, 5:00 — 7:00 PM
Court Phone: 733-1093

Codes/Zoning Officer Philip Green
Phone: 733-7447 (Office) • 534-2232 (Cell)
★★★ Call Before Starting ANY Building Project ★★★

Mother's Day Sunday, May 14th

Happy Mother's Day
To All the Wonderful Mothers in Schuyler

Historical Society Meeting

SATURDAY, MAY 13th • 10:00 AM
TOWN OFFICE — ALL WELCOME !



Early Deadline for June, 2017 Newsletter Monday, May 8th

Articles for publication may be dropped off
at the Town Office or E-mailed to:

Bette Szesny, Editor at bszes@aol.com





Observed on Monday, May 29th
All Town Dept's Will be Closed
Memorial Service at VFW Post
Sunday, May 28th at 1:00 PM




Special Memorial Day Worship Service at 11:00 AM
W. Schuyler United Methodist Church
WSUMC invites all US Veterans and our Local VFW, as we will lift up in prayer and honor our Veterans for Memorial Day.



May 2017

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<i>Mother's Day</i> 	1 "May Day"	2	3 Planning Bd.: 6:00 PM	4 Assessor's Hrs.: 5-9 PM	5	6 Final WSUMC Community Breakfast of the Season: 7:30-10 AM
7	8 June Newsletter Deadline (Early deadline due to editor's upcoming eye surgery in NYC on 5/15)	9	10 Town Bd.: 7:00 PM	11 Assessor's Hrs.: 5-9 PM	12	13 Historical Society: 10 AM
14 Mother's Day	15	16	17	18 Assessor's Hrs.: 5-9 PM	19	20 Assessor's Hrs.: 9 AM-1 PM
21	22	23	24 Grievance Day: 4-8 PM at Town Office	25	26	27
28 Memorial Day Spec. Services @ WSUMC: 11 AM; VFW Ceremony @ Post: 1 PM.	29 Memorial Day (Observed); All Town Dept's Closed.	30	31 Extravaganza Committee Meeting: 7:00 PM	 MEMORIAL DAY		

June 2017

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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4	5	6	7 Planning Bd.: 6:00 PM	8	9	10
11	12	13	14 Town Bd.: 6:00 PM	15	16	17



Planning Board ★★★★★★★★

APRIL 13TH



2017

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Planning Board Vice Chair Donna Salamone. Other Planning Board members present were Planning Board members James Digristina, Michael Ritter, and Jeannie Finster; absent were Chairman Paul Thomas, Victor Costanza, and David Fusillo. Also present were Supervisor Kenneth M. Dodge; Councilman/Deputy Supervisor Anthony J. Lucenti; Codes/Zoning Officer Philip Green, Town Assessor George Haskell; Town resident Richard Finster; Robert Bushey and David Bushey (G&I Homes); Donald Ehre, P.E. (Boulder Consultants); and Councilwoman Bette I Szesny (who also served as recording secretary for the Planning Board).

MINUTES: MARCH 1, 2017 MEETING

Motion by James Digristina, seconded by Jeannie Finster to approve the minutes of the March 1, 2017 meeting as presented; all in favor. Motion carried.

PRESENTATION BY DONALD EHRE, P.E., BOULDER CONSULTANTS

Mr. Ehre presented his presentation describing the proposed 31-lot Westgate Heights Subdivision at the east end of Westgate Drive, Schuyler, which was submitted by Robert Bushey, Local Manager, CMH Homes (formerly G&I Homes), whose main office is located in Maryville, TN (local office located at 2605 State Route 5, Frankfort, NY in the Town of Schuyler).

Submitted to the Board were the following maps and documents: Letter of Intent (Donald Ehre, P.E., Boulder Consultants); Application Form; Topographic Map; Preliminary Layout; Final Plat; Construction Details; Engineer's Report; EAF (Full Environmental Assessment Form); SWPPP Report (Stormwater); SEQRA Long Form; and NOI.

Mr. Ehre provided a thorough presentation describing all facets of the project relative to the above documents and mapping details.

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT LEAD AGENCY STATUS

Following a lengthy discussion among members of the Planning Board and Codes/Zoning Officer Green, with their questions and concerns answered by Mr. Ehre (involving issues such as street lighting, easements for roadways, egress in and out of the development, and drainage), motion was made by Michael Ritter and seconded by James Digristina that the Planning Board assume Lead Agency status for the Project. All members present voted affirmatively when polled by voice vote; motion carried.

The secretary will contact the Town Attorney for assistance with the SEQRA filing process.

The Planning Board will continue their discussion on the project at future meetings, with final approval forthcoming when all areas of possible concern are satisfied so as to ensure a successful outcome will be realized for this new residential subdivision which will be a great asset to our community.

ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business to come before the Planning Board; therefore, Vice Chair Donna Salamone adjourned the meeting at 7:38 PM upon a motion by James Digristina, which was seconded by Jeannie Finster.

— Bette Szesny, Recording Secretary

LEATHERSTOCKING DEFENSIVE DRIVING SCHOOL - 2017 CLASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday/Thursday, June 20th & 22nd
6:00 — 9:00 PM

Tuesday/Thursday, Sept. 19th & 21st
6:00 — 9:00 PM

Tuesday/Thursday, Dec. 19th & 21st
6:00 — 9:00 PM

ALL CLASSES HELD AT TOWN OFFICE • CALL KEITH JOSLIN FOR MORE INFO & TO REGISTER

Home: 845-8285 / Cell: 404-6079 — (Leave Message)





Town Board ★★★★★★★★

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Councilwoman Bette Szesny and Councilmen Eric Kane, Anthony Lucenti and Robert VanDusen.

— ALSO PRESENT WERE —

Superintendent of Highways Donald Sroka; Town Clerk Barbara J. Boulia; Codes Enforcement Officer Philip Green; Joe Boulia, Park Ranger; and Town residents: Clarence H. Caldwell, Peter Cardone, Richard and Jean Finster, JoAnn Mammone, Harry Robbins, Dan Trippoli and Donna Salamone. Absent was Assessor George Haskell.

Supervisor Kenneth M. Dodge led the assembled persons in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PAY BILLS

Motion by Kane, second by Szesny, that the bills for the past month be paid as presented: General, #92 to #138; and Highway, # 82 to #105; all in favor.

MINUTES OF MARCH 8, 2017

Motion by VanDusen, second by Lucenti, that the Town Board dispense with the reading of the minutes of March 8, 2017 and approve them as printed; all in favor.

RESIDENT COMMENT

Town Resident Harry Robbins spoke on animal abuse. He wants something done about tracking people who abuse animals. He said they can abuse animals, and three days later, buy more. He said he did not think anything would be done by the State, and wondered if Herkimer County would be able to do something.

Harry Robbins also inquired about more hats for the 225th Birthday party. Councilman Lucenti said he will call and see if more are available.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ASSESSOR'S REPORT — BY GEORGE HASKELL

The Town Clerk said George called her and is not able to make meeting. He told her the Tentative Roll will be turned over to Herkimer County, and that everything is fine.

CODES OFFICER'S REPORT — BY PHILIP GREEN

Codes Enforcement Officer Philip Green said he has received three or four maintenance issues, which he will follow up on. He also stated that he received his 24 hours of training.

HIGHWAY REPORT

— BY DONALD SROKA —

Superintendent of Highways Sroka said they have been sweeping the roads, and repaired plow marks from plowing the intersections.

He said they have problems with the overhead doors at the Town Garage, and the door slams down. He said he can get an automatic door opener for \$1,150.00.

Motion by Kane, second by Lucenti to give Donald Sroka permission to get a quote on an automatic door opener and have it installed; all in favor.

Mr. Sroka said they hauled top soil to 2090 State Route 5, and later on will seed the area.

Motion by Kane, second by Lucenti, authorizing the Highway Superintendent to attend Highway School — June 12th thru June 13, 2017; all in favor.

MILLERS GROVE ROAD

DESIGN REORT

Superintendent of Highways Sroka said the Millers Grove Road bridge will be closed for two years due to the construction of a new bridge. He said work will start in April of 2018.

SEWER REPORT

— BY DONALD SROKA —

Superintendent of Highways Sroka said there is nothing to report. They have had no meetings.

**GRANT WRITER REPORT — BY ANTHONY LUCENTI**

Councilman Anthony Lucenti said he is disappointed with Templeton Landscaping, who put the grant in for the park. When Tom Breiten put the application in, he told Anthony that the political support section was never received by N.Y. State. Councilman Lucenti said we paid him over \$9,000.00 for that application. Councilman Lucenti said he wants the money back from this application. He said he would like to contact the Town Attorney and see what he has to say, and try to recoup some of the money.

Town Resident Joe Boulia asked why we are paying \$9,000.00 for a grant that we may or may not get. He suggested to give a % down, and if we have a good chance, give another %, and the balance when we get it.

The Town Clerk said she will fax it to the Town Attorney.

RECREATION — BY ROBERT VAN DUSEN

Councilman VanDusen said the Easter Egg Hunt went well. He said there was a small crowd, and this will be the last year.

Councilman VanDusen asked the Town Clerk about what she found out regarding wood chips for under the slides and swings at the Park. She informed him she can get rubber, or the Town of Deerfield uses a small round stone bought locally, and she gave him the specs on it. He said he would like chips, and he will find a source.

Councilman Lucenti said Nancy & Ted Lange donated two fishing poles, and they were raffled off at the Easter Egg Hunt.

225th BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR SCHUYLER

Town Resident Jean Finster said the event went very well. She said a nice article was in the O.D. She also said Stewarts donated 9 gallons of ice cream for the event.

EXTRAVAGANZA MEETING

Councilman Lucenti said the next meeting is April 26, 2017 at 7:00 PM, and it is open to the public.

REPORT BY PARK RANGER — SET INSPECTION DATE

Joe Boulia said the water has been hooked up, the propane tank is filled, and he is getting it ready to go. He said he bought paint today, and is doing the picnic tables and whatever else needs painting. He also said Soccer started at the Town Park.

WATER BOARD REPORT — BY BETTE SZESNY

Councilwoman Szesny said there is nothing going on; the next meeting is Monday night.

PLANNING BOARD REPORT — BY BETTE SZESNY

Councilwoman Bette Szesny said they had a Planning Board Meeting for a subdivision, which would have been 31 new homes. She said the engineer was at the meeting, and nothing could be done because they did not have a quorum. She said it was an embarrassment for the Town. She said we need to get alternates for both the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals.

Motion by VanDusen, second by Lucenti to put an ad in the newsletter for a alternate for Planning and Zoning Boards, which is a paid position; all in favor.

WALL MAP DONATION

Councilman Lucenti said he wanted to thank Chris and Rick Proulx for making the frame work for the Zoning Map to be on the wall of the court room.

COUNTY LEGISLATOR REPORT

Not available.

RESIDENT COMMENT

- Town Resident Peter Cardone said he has pictures of the 225th Birthday Party, if anyone wanted to see them. He said he did not take pictures of the Easter Egg Hunt, and he said if any person has pictures they would like to donate, he would put them in a book.
- Councilman Lucenti read a letter from Henry Crofoot, Supervisor of the Town of Fairfield. He said the letter is regarding Governor Cuomo's County-wide Shared Service Property Tax Saving Plan. He said the letter is asking our representatives to remove Governor Cuomo's County-wide Shared Services Property Tax Savings Plan from the adopted State budget, and protect the Home Rule of Town Governments.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Town Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 P.M.

— *Barbara J. Boulia, Town Clerk*



SUNDAY CHURCH SERVICES IN THE TOWN OF SCHUYLER

WEST SCHUYLER UNITED METHODIST
297 Wood Lane
Pastor Cindy Makarchuk
11:00 AM Sunday Service
Followed by Coffee Hour

Community Breakfast
1st Saturday of Each Month
(May — October)
7:30 to 10 AM
Sunday School
11:00 AM
(During Worship Service)



EAST SCHUYLER UNITED METHODIST
118 Church Rd.
(Off Millers Grove)
Pastor Susan Jones
9:30 AM Sunday Service
— Followed by Coffee Hour —

CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY OF SCHUYLER
3659 State Route 5, East Schuyler
Dr. Robert Burge, Pastor
pburge1@roadrunner.com
Sunday Services: 10:30 AM

**SCHUYLER TOWN PARK
— PAVILION RESERVATIONS —**

The Town Clerk's Office is taking reservations for the Town Park Pavilion for the 2017 Season.

FEES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Residents: \$150 Deposit;
\$50 returned if area is left clean.

Non Residents: \$300 Deposit;
\$50 returned if area is left clean.

Non-Profit Organizations:
No Charge.



BURIAL SITES AVAILABLE at E. SCHUYLER MILLER CEMETERY

The East Schuyler Miller Cemetery has acquired additional property from a generous donation and we now can offer burial sites for sale. Anyone who is interested can call the following Board of Director Members for further information and pricing:

- President Harry Robbins — 315-269-0861
- Treasurer John Schuyler — 315-416-9674
- Superintendent Ray Hendrie — 315-894-3000

If you do not receive an answer, please leave a message and we will call you back.

— Thank you.



**SCHUYLER TOWN PARKS
— PERMITS —**

Permits are available from the Town Clerk's office, for use of the following facilities by private groups & non-profit organizations of 10 to 75 people.

(Groups of more than 75 people cannot use the Parks.)

- Wood Lane Recreation & Community Center
- Cosby Manor Ball Field
- Town Park Picnic Grove & Ball Fields

Permit applications can also be downloaded from the Town's website at:

www.townofschuyler.com/parkpermit.pdf



JOHN A. LAPOLLA VFW POST #8728

240 Wood Lane, Schuyler · Phone: 733-6609

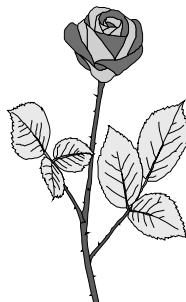
SOCIAL HOURS AT THE POST — FRIDAYS at 5:00 PM

The Schuyler VFW is open to the public for all occasions.

Call Dan Failing at: (315) 868-3101

STORMWATER INFORMATION

In compliance with requirements for municipalities to provide public education on Stormwater regulations, Stormwater information is available at the Schuyler Town Office & Library, and on the Town's website at:
www.townofschuyler.com/page11.html



CONDOLENCES

... to Town Supervisor Ken Dodge and his family on the passing of Ken's wife, Eleanor K. Dodge on Monday, March 27th at St. Elizabeth's Hospital. Ellie served as the Town Planning Board's Farm Member for many years, as well as the Town's Budget Officer. She will be remembered for her dedication and service to the Town and to the many organizations and entities she assisted throughout her career.



May - June, 2017 Rabies Clinic Vaccination Schedule

THURSDAY, MAY 11th • 5:30 — 7:00 PM
Middleville Fire Dept., 41 N. Main St.

SATURDAY, MAY 20th • 10:00 AM — 12:00 PM
E. Herkimer Fire Dept., 193 Main Rd.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7th • 5:30 — 7:00 PM
Norway Community Ctr., 3114 Military Rd.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14th • 5:30 — 7:00 PM
Ilion-Frankfort VFW Pavilion, 4274 Acme Rd., Frankfort



- A \$5 donation per pet is suggested to defray costs.
- Dogs should be on a leash, cats & ferrets should be in a carrier or pillowcase.
- Owners are responsible to clean up after their animals.
- No exams will be given.



Remaining 2017 Town Dumpster Dates

June 24th & 25th • August 19th & 20th • October 21st & 22nd

— ITEMS ACCEPTED —

Only the items listed below will be accepted — Limited to (1) Pickup Truck Load (4 cubic yd.):

- Green Waste (brush, grass, leaves)
- White Goods & Metals (household appliances)
- Stuffed Furniture, Mattresses, Rugs
- Batteries

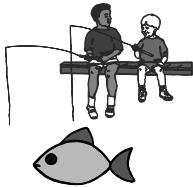
— ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED —

We cannot accept the following:

- Construction & Demolition Materials
- Chemicals, Oil, Toxic Containers
- Large Tires (over 16")
- Household Garbage
- Recyclables
- Tractor Tires
- Paint Cans

— ADDITIONAL CHARGE —

- Car Tires up to 16" (no rims) — \$1 ea.
- Car Tires up to 16" with rims — \$3 ea.



THANK YOU

... to **Ted & Nancy Lange** for their donation of two fishing poles for the raffle at the Town Easter Party held on Saturday, April 8th.



THANK YOU

... to **Ricky & Christine Proux** for obtaining and hanging the large framed Town Zoning map in the Board Room at the Schuyler Town Hall.

2017 Easter Coloring Contest Winners Announced at April 8th Town Easter Party

AGE 13 — 16 GROUP

1st PLACE

David Mater



2nd PLACE

Dillian Houck

AGE 9 — 12 GROUP

1st PLACE

Rowan Houck

2nd PLACE

Savannah Gardner

3rd PLACE

Grayson Pulah

4th PLACE

Wesley Houck

AGE 6 — 9 GROUP

1st PLACE

Taylor Hartness



2nd PLACE

Shane Gardner

AGE 2 — 5 GROUP

1st PLACE

James Day

2nd PLACE

Luke

3rd PLACE

Gracey Dewey

4th PLACE

Danny Mater



Schuyler Town Newsletter

TOWN OF SCHUYLER
2090 STATE ROUTE 5
UTICA, NY 13502

STANDARD
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
PERMIT #566
UTICA, NY

May 2017

Alternate Planning Board & ZBA Members Sought

- ALTERNATE PLANNING BOARD MEMBER:** Applicant must be a resident of the Town of Schuyler and be available to serve as an alternate member of the Planning Board in the event a quorum of four (4) of the seven (7) members is not met at any regular or special meeting. Meetings are normally scheduled for the first Wednesday of each month at 6:00 PM, with special meetings called as necessary. Adequate prior notice of any and all regular and special Planning Board meetings is given to all Planning Board members, and will also be provided to the alternate. Alternate members will be required to attend all regularly scheduled and special meetings, and if present, will be compensated at the current stipend for member representatives, whether or not they are needed to assume membership status to satisfy quorum status of the Planning Board. In the event the alternate member is needed to constitute a quorum, the alternate member shall be seated as a voting member of the Board and shall be afforded all privileges of Planning Board membership with regard to any and all discussions and actions to be undertaken by the Planning Board.
- ALTERNATE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEMBER:** Applicant must be a resident of the Town of Schuyler and be available to serve as an alternate member of the Zoning Board of Appeals in the event a quorum of three (3) of the five (5) members is not met at a scheduled ZBA Public Hearing. Public Hearings are scheduled on an as-needed basis, and are currently held at on Tuesdays at 6:00 PM during the 2017 summer months; and on Tuesdays & Thursdays in the Fall/Winter/Spring. Advance notice of all Public Hearings will be provided at least ten (10) days in advance of any/all public hearing dates. The alternate member will be required to attend all regularly scheduled Public Hearings, and if present, will be compensated at the current stipend for regular member representatives, whether or not he/she is needed to assume membership status to satisfy quorum status. In the event a quorum of membership is not attained, the alternate member shall be seated as a voting member of the Board and shall be afforded all privileges of ZBA membership for any and all discussions and actions to be undertaken by the ZBA.

To submit an application, please clip and fill out response form(s) below and send with a letter of interest addressed to Supervisor Kenneth M. Dodge, Town of Schuyler, 2090 State Route 5, Utica, NY 13502. To establish your candidacy, letters of interest should include any background information and past or current experience and/or qualifications, along with your particular interest in the position(s) you seek.

PLANNING BOARD ALTERNATE

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

HOME PHONE: (315) _____

CELL PHONE: (315) _____

E-MAIL: _____@_____

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS ALTERNATE

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

HOME PHONE: (315) _____

CELL PHONE: (315) _____

E-MAIL: _____@_____