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VILLAGE BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

**Community Preservation Panel – First Wednesday
Zoning Board of Appeals – Second Wednesday (as needed)
Village Board of Trustees – Third Wednesday
Planning Board – Fourth Wednesday**

Most Board meetings are conducted via Zoom during the pandemic and may begin earlier than the usual 7:00 start time. Zoom information is provided on the meeting agenda, as well as the time of the meeting. Agendas are posted on the village website and the village bulletin boards, located next to the village office and on the north wall of the post office.

Public Hearing notices with Zoom information are also published in the Citizen. Any in-person Board meetings are limited to 10 people in the meeting room, including the 5 Board members and the clerk. If you are interested in attending a meeting and do not have an application for the committee to review, please contact the clerk so that alternative arrangements may be made if necessary.

Deadline for inclusion on the Village Board of Trustees agenda is 7 days in advance, in writing. The deadline to file a **completed** application for CPP and/or Planning Board review is at least 10 days prior to the meeting. We recommend contacting the Village Code Enforcement Officer as soon as you start to plan your project. Applications will only be reviewed when all requested documents are submitted, and the application is deemed complete by the Code Enforcement Officer.

NEWS FROM THE AURORA-LEDYARD FIRE DISTRICT

Congratulations to Jim Orman who was re-elected for a second term as fire commissioner!

FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Water Meter Readings

Thank-you to everyone who is emailing their meter reading to the Village Office. This became notably more important during the pandemic as Adam cannot stop by to do a reading and we require actual reads for accurate billing. We are especially grateful for all the screen shots. You are making our job much easier!

Leaf Pick-Up

The leaf truck is now stored for the winter and the DPW crew asks that you please bag your leaves for pick-up. However, the leaf truck will be back this spring for one week only and the dates will be posted on the website and in the bulletin boards.

Winter Maintenance

The DPW does its best in assisting with keeping the sidewalks clear. However, their priority is the street plowing, and it is the homeowner's responsibility to keep sidewalks shoveled adjacent to their property. Working together we can help maintain safe passage through the village.

Message from the Mayor

Dear Fellow Villagers,

I can't believe it's nearly New Year's, but it's with great relief that I'll be welcoming it, as I'm sure you will too. Your holidays have probably been as scaled-back as my family's have been this year, and the Village has been in the same boat. No tree lighting and caroling, but we nonetheless have our tree at the Post Office and finally have electricity at Patrick Tavern to be able to also light the tree given to the Village years ago by the Southern Cayuga Garden Club; no Santa at your door, but still Santa in the truck; no big Christmas in Aurora, but small sales and cheer marked the usual date. We may be in a pandemic but I think we can say that we haven't lost our spirit behind these masks, and physical distancing hasn't meant isolation. We're heading into a new year with hope.

As for the business of the Village, much is on hold. There's little to report on the water plant project, but the County continues to move ahead on a Southern Cayuga water and sewer district. Patrick Doyle, our Code Enforcement Officer for many years, has moved on, but we're happy to welcome John Greer in that position and look forward to working with him. All of us are awaiting the end of the Zoom era.

Stay well and warm through the winter, get your car off the street in the snow, and look forward to seeing each other in the spring,
Bonnie