



Town of Hurley

Newsletter, Spring 2019

News from the desk of the Town Supervisor:

It's been an exciting albeit swift first year as your Supervisor and I have thoroughly enjoyed it!

Thank you for all of you have weighed in with suggestions and support. We have achieved a lot in this first year. I'd like to highlight some of the things that the Town of Hurley with it's dedicated board members, committee members and involved residents, have been able to accomplish.

- We've become a Climate Smart Community pledging to keep Hurley environmentally friendly for future generations.
- We passed Cold War Property Tax Relief for our "Cold War" Veterans.
- I've conducted Town Hall Meetings in West Hurley to speak with West Hurley residents and bring their concerns back to the Town Board.
- The Town of Hurley's Open Space Plan has been approved ensuring the protection of Hurley's most significant open space resources.
- For the comfort of our residents, we've adopted a Noise Ordinance.
- We've adopted a local law establishing guideless for solar for the town.
- We've updated all town contract bids, from bottled water to liability insurance, saving the town thousands of dollars.
- The fee schedule for the Planning Board has been increased as well as escrow accounts set up for applicants lessening the dependence on the tax payers to subsidize projects.
- We had success in adding new members to both our Recreation and Ethics committees as well as adding two persons to the ZBA.
- We have brought Ribbon Park, the gateway garden of the town, back to its former beauty, which will be even more evident this Spring.
- For resident's convenience, the Transfer Station is now open an additional day, Thursdays, each week.
- Our website, townofhurley.org, is now a source of current happenings and news for town of Hurley and other matters relevant to our residents..
- Maybe the best news I'd like to share is that the adopted budget of 2019, amounted to approximately 80K less to be levied than the 2018 budget equating to a 4.5% **decrease in our general taxes.**

As I said, my first year has been exciting and I'm looking forward to accomplishing even more this second year of my term. Some of my goals include:

- continuing to pressure Spectrum to assist in build outs in areas without broadband
- continuing to work with other municipalities to provide more activities and better recreational options
- finalize the rezoning of the Route 28 Overlay allowing more options for development
- continuing to work with other municipalities to reduce costs utilizing shared services
- and continuing to keep taxes down and provide the most for your hard earned dollars.

I'm at the Town Hall every weekday afternoon and my door is always open.

John Perry, Town Supervisor
(845) 331-7474, X 6 supervisor@townofhurley.org

For current news be sure to visit our website: townofhurley.org
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HURLEY HAPPENINGS 2019

Bounce, Poughkeepsie	Tickets \$8 Available for purchase at Town Hall	
Easter Egg Hunt	Friday, April 19, 1:00 pm	West Hurley Park
Memorial Day Parade	Monday, May 27 th , 10:00 am	
Town Wide Yard Sale	Saturday, June 1 st	
	(email for listing information; recreation@townofhurley.org)	
Town Shredder Event	Saturday, June 1 st , 12:00-3:00 pm	Town Hall Parking Lot
US Open Tennis	Tuesday, August 27 th , 8:00 am	Price TBD
Radio City Christmas Show	Saturday, Nov. 23 rd , 8:00 am	Price TBD
NYC Do Your Own Thing	Saturday, Dec. 7 th , 8:00 am	\$25

I would like to say that it is difficult to foresee all of the activities that we will be able to offer this year, so please be sure to subscribe to the town email list for all the latest news. All of our activities will be listed on the website as well. We are going to be resuming our use of Constant Contact, so please email me (recreation@townofhurley.org) to sign up if you have not already. Thanks to our new committee member Elizabeth Unterman we will be updating our Facebook page as well. Thank you Elizabeth!!

We have been working with our local libraries to give you some great alternatives to our previous Summer Program:

- **Starlab Planetarium:** Enter our inflatable planetarium to explore seasonal constellations and learn fun facts like, why Polaris, the North Star, never seems to move. Gaze up at a clear starry night while our educator tells about the wonders of it all. Because of limited capacity, reservations are required. Friday, June 28th @ 6:30, Hurley Reformed Church and Friday, July 12th @ 5:30, West Hurley Firehouse
- **Simmons Wildlife Program:** Animals will include birds of prey, reptiles, and a mammal. The presenter will introduce each animal, discuss its adaptations for survival, role in the wild, and wildlife management. Saturday, July 27th @ 1:00, Hurley Reformed Church and Saturday, July 27th @ 3:00, West Hurley Firehouse.
- **Bus Trip to New York Science Museum:** A full day trip which includes general admission to the museum. Tickets are \$5 per person for Town of Hurley residents. After May 18th, nonresidents can purchase tickets for \$10 each. Contact the West Hurley Library at 845-67906405 to purchase tickets.

This year we have tickets to Bounce in Poughkeepsie available for \$8! This is for a one hour session, you will need to purchase their socks. You can stop by the Town Hall and purchase tickets Monday thru Friday 9am-4pm. We only accept cash or checks.

We are again able to offer the town of Ulster Summer Program to Hurley residents for the Town of Ulster resident rate, we have enclosed the information for your consideration.

All the best,
Shirley from Hurley

Hurley Library Hurleylibrary.org Saturday, June 1st, 11:00 am—2:00 pm <u>Antiques Road Show</u> What's in your attic? This is a fundraising event for the library. Bring your treasures, and for \$5 a piece, have them appraised by the best in the biz.	West Hurley Library westhurleylibrary.org Saturday, May 25th, 11:00 am—2:00 pm <u>Spring Plant Sale</u> Plant Sale, Used Book Sale, Fresh Baked Goods and Raffle
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2019 Summer Camp Information

Sign Up will be at the Town of Ulster Town Clerk's Office:

Monday-Friday, 8:00am - 4:00pm

Registration ends June 21—No campers will be accepted after this date.

CPR, First Aid and AED Trained Staff on Site for your Children's Safety!!

Children Ages 5-13 years of age

July 1—August 23, 2019 (8 weeks)

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

At Robert Post Park, Park Road, Kingston (along the Hudson River)

2019 CAMP FEES

	One Child	Each additional Camper
Resident	\$275.00	\$75.00
Non-Resident	\$275.00	\$75.00

DUE AT SIGN UP, NO REFUNDS

CHECKS, CASH, MONEY ORDERS OR CREDIT CARD (3% service fee applies)

- Parents are responsible for providing lunch and drinks (NO SODA, NO GLASS containers!). Note: Drinks cannot be refrigerated. Please send enough for the day, a 1/2 gallon thermos is best
- Clothing should be appropriate for camp activities and weather. No clothing with offensive wording.
- Campers must wear sneakers (NO SANDALS)
- Label all of your child's belongings
- **All medication** must be properly labeled and given directly to the Camp Director
- Rain days **may** cause camp to be cancelled. Check online at <http://townofulster.org> OR listen to either WGHQ or WKNY or on FACEBOOK at "Town of Ulster Recreation Department"
- Profanity, name calling, fighting or any other improper conduct by a camper will not be tolerated. A camper displaying inappropriate behavior **will be** expelled from the program.
- **PLEASE be prompt** in picking up your camper(s)!! Camp ends at 3:00pm.
- Only designated persons may pick up camper from camp (see permission slip)
- Parents/Guardians are responsible for signing in late arrivals & signing out early dismissals. Please send note with camper(s) if planning an early departure.

Required Forms and Paperwork for Sign Up -- ALL FORMS ARE DUE UPON REGISTRATION:

1. Town of Ulster Summer Camp Permission Slip
2. Town of Ulster Recreation Medical Form
3. Camper's Current Immunization Record
4. Copy of Drivers License AND Any additional ID's needed for camper pickup
5. Campers school photo or current photo of camper.

For More Information Contact:

Jeff Hayner, Recreation Director, at (845) 706-4440 or email jeffhayner@ymail.com

Conservation Advisory Council

Joan Paccione

Spring is right around the corner and our thoughts turn from shoveling snow to sprucing up our gardens and landscapes as we begin to enjoy the beauty of Hurley and the Catskills. There are many ways to enhance our properties while helping Hurley's habitat. One way to assist with both habitat and property improvements is the use of a rain garden.

A rain garden helps to manage and treat small volumes of runoff from impervious surfaces. Rain gardens are depressed garden beds filled with native perennials and shrubs that are water and drought tolerant. These gardens slowly release runoff into the ground rather than it flowing into storm water systems. Rain gardens allow for a slower seepage into the soils helping to recharge our aquifers. The Ulster County Department of Environment (845-338-7287 or environment@co.ulster.ny.us) has a brochure explaining the rain garden process and a listing of plants adaptable to our climate.

Another way to help our environment is the composting of kitchen waste. Many of our surrounding communities are initiating programs that compost kitchen waste in order to save the precious space needed in our landfills. There are a variety of guidelines available to the public, if you wish to compost. Ulster County has a commercial composting guide and the EPA has an implementation guide and toolkit.

As a reminder the CAC is offering movie nights in both the Hurley and West Hurley Library on alternating months. The next movie night will be Thursday, April 11, 7PM, at the West Hurley Library where we will be showing a twenty-five minute presentation entitled, "Liquidity, the Value of Wetlands." There will be a discussion afterwards with input from the attendees.

Members are still needed to fill openings on the Conservation Advisory Committee. If you are interested, please contact us via the Town website.

From the Assessor:

Brittany Balfe



The municipality has maintained an Equalization rate of 100 percent this year. As such, the town is assessing property at 100 percent of market value.

The deadline for Exemptions was March 1st, 2019. This year we saw some changes in the Enhanced STAR program. It was mandatory for all participants in the Enhanced STAR program, to enroll in the Income Verification Program (IVP). The benefit of the IVP program is you will only enroll once and you will receive the exemption each year, as long as you're eligible. You will no longer need to provide the assessor's office with income for the Enhanced STAR program.

New Property owners should be aware they can no longer register with the Assessor's office for the Basic STAR credit and must register with the New York State Office of Taxation. If you own your home, it's your primary residence, and your income is \$500,000 or less, you're eligible for the Basic STAR credit. You can register at www.tax.ny.gov/star or call 1-518-457-2036.

Grievance day is in the near future. May 1st a tentative listing of all assessments is completed and filed by the assessor, beginning the formal grievance period. Grievance day will be held the 4th Tuesday of May. In which, the Board of Assessment Review meets to hear complaints on the tentative assessments. All grievance applications must be filed.

2019 Town of Hurley Directory

SUPERVISOR:	John Perry	supervisor@townofhurley.org	331-7474, ext. 6
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	John Dittus	jdittus@townofhurley.org	
	Barbara Zell	bzell@townofhurley.org	
	Michael Boms	mboms@townofhurley.org	
JUSTICE COURT:	Hon. Michael Jordan	court@townofhurley.org	331-7474, ext. 1
	Hon. John Parker	court@townofhurley.org	331-7474, ext. 1
TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR:	Judy Mayhon	clerk@townofhurley.org	331-7474, ext. 2
SOLID WASTE MANAGER:	Robert Mathisen		338-5412
CODE ENFORCEMENT/BLDG.DEPT.:	Glenn Hoffstatter	building@townofhurley.org	331-7474, ext. 4
ASSESSOR:	Brittany Balfe	assessor@townofhurley.org	331-7474, ext. 5
HISTORIAN:	James Decker	historian@townofhurley.org	331-7474, ext. 312
TRIP RESERVATIONS/YOUTH/CAMP:	Shirley Paley, Secretary	recreation@townofhurley.org	331-7474, ext. 313
PLANNING BOARD:	Lisa Mance, Secretary	planning@townofhurley.org	331-7474, ext. 335
ZONING BOARD:	Doris Alden	zoning@townofhurley.org	331-7474, ext. 337
HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT:	Michael Shultis	mshultis@townofhurley.org	338-4067
TRANSFER STATION (closed Wed., Sun.)			338-5412
PARK PHONE:			338-9589
ANIMAL CONTROL SPCA:			331-6240
FIRE AND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE:			911
STATE POLICE:	338-1702	SHERIFF'S DEPT.	338-3640
LIBRARY:	Hurley		338-2092
	West Hurley		679-6405
TOWN WEB SITE:	townofhurley.org		

Dates to Remember

Town Board Meetings

7:00 pm Hurley Town Hall

April 22	Sept. 23
May 28	Oct. 28
June 24	Nov. 25
July 22	Dec. 16
Aug. 26	

Town Committees

Planning, 1st Mon @ 7:00 pm
CAC, 1st Thurs @ 7:00 pm
Zoning, 2nd Thurs @ 7:00 pm
Rail Trail, 1st Thurs @ 6:00 pm

Historic Preservation Commission

May 3	Oct 4
May 31	Nov 1
June 28	Nov 27
Sept 6	

Hurley Library

Board of Trustees

April 4	Sept. 5
May 2	Oct. 3
June 6	Nov. 7
July 4	Dec. 5
Aug. 1	
Budget Vote:	
Oct. 24, 4:00—7:00	

West Hurley Library

Board of Trustees

April 17	Sept. 18
May 15	Oct. 16
June 19	Nov. 20
July 17	
Aug. 21	
Budget Vote:	
Sept. 5, 4:00—8:00pm	

Hurley Fire District

2nd Monday @ 7:45 pm

April 8	Sept. 9
May 13	Oct. 14
June 10	Nov. 11
July 8	Dec. 9
Aug. 12	
Budget Vote after submitting budget to the Town Board	
Elections 3rd week in Dec.	

West Hurley Fire District

2nd Monday @ 6:30 pm

April 8	Sept. 9
May 13	Oct. 14
June 10	Nov. 12
July 8	Dec. 9
Aug. 12	
Public Hearing Vote Oct. 15	

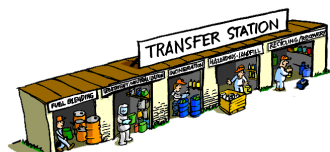
Building Department

Glenn Hoffstetter

Open Building Permits, issued by this office, expire one year from the date of issuance. The permit may, upon written request, be renewed for successive one-year periods, provided the permit has not been revoked or suspended at the time of application for renewal is made and the relevant information in the application is up-to-date and the renewal fee is paid.



When all work and appropriate inspections are complete, the applicant must call the Building Department for a final inspection (845) 331-7474, ext. 4 so a Certificate of Occupancy or Certificate of Completion can be issued. As always, **new permits** are required for the construction, enlargement, alteration, improvement, removal or demolition of any building or structure or any portion thereof.



Transfer Station Schedule

Monday	9:00—3:00
Tuesday (November—March)	9:00—3:00
Tuesday (April—October)	9:00—6:00
Thursday (November—March)	9:00—3:00
Thursday (April—October)	9:00—6:00
Friday	9:00—3:00
Saturday	8:00—3:00

Closed: Wednesday, Sunday

Please Note!

Town of Hurley Court Hours

Monday	8:45 am—3:00 pm
Tuesday	9:45 am—1:00 pm, 3:15—6:00 pm
Wednesday	8:45 am—3:00 pm
Thursday	3:15 pm—5:30 pm
Friday	9:45 am—1:00 pm

Welcome to:

Town Board Member: Matt LaClair, mplaclair@yahoo.com
 Ethics: Wendy Hennessy
 Recreation: Elizabeth Unterman
 Hist. Pres. Com.: John Krenek, Garrett Roche

Hurley Heritage Day

October 6, 11am-4pm

A benefit celebration of the Town of Hurley's 357-year history, its culture and people. Hosted and organized by the Hurley Heritage Society, the event includes live music, exhibits, auctions, raffles, local cultural groups and business displays and information. Also, there will be children's activities including face painting, local art and history exhibits, walking tours of Old Hurley Main Street, and food, including the famous Hurley corn chowder.

Admission to the event is free. Hosted on the grounds of the Hurley Museum located at 52 Main Street, Hurley, NY. Sunday, October 6th from 11am to 4pm.



FOR INFORMATION ABOUT SPONSORSHIPS & HURLEY HERITAGE DAY, Contact: Raleigh Green at 917-687-5373

INTERESTED IN EXHIBITING, SELLING OR TABLING AT HURLEY HERITAGE DAY OR BEING A VOLUNTEER?
 Contact: Raleigh Green at 917-687-5373 or www.hurleyheritagesociety.org

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CROPS	FOOD	PARTICIPATION	SHORTAGE
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Highway Department

Michael C. Shultis, Superintendent

1035 Dug Hill Road, West Hurley, mshultis@townofhurley.org

417-1485 (mobile), 338-4067 (office), 338-0597 (fax)

Spring is Here! Now that the snow has finally stopped our Highway crews will begin doing our Spring Cleanup! We will be out sweeping roads, clearing brush, cleaning out ditches, replacing worn out culverts and preparing for upcoming paving projects throughout town. We ask that you be considerate of our flagmen and machine operators as they complete their work assignments each day and navigate around our work zones so we can safely complete our work with little disruption.

We will announce our work zones each week on the town website. We try to be cognizant of daily bus routes and parents driving their children to school. Current plans for paving include Edgewood Ave and Laurel St, Orchard St, Pleasant Ridge, Boyce Rd, Thomas St, Windsor Dr, Theilpape Rd, Wilson Rd, Stone Rd and Park Dr. This is a preliminary list and is subject to amendment as roads are still settling after the numerous frost heaves this year. Many other roads are on our list to make repairs for safe travel. Many of you in the Rolling Meadows area that use Edge-

wood Ave entrance may have noticed the frost heave at the intersection of Lucas Ave that was paved last year. We have discussed this issue with our vendor and will be addressing it as soon as possible so they may correct the problem and create a smooth ingress/egress for residents.

Spring Brush Pickup will be as follows:

Apr 29-May 3 Hurley, May 6-10 West Hurley. Please make sure you follow the guidelines and place all butt ends of brush towards roadway for easy cleanup by the crews. Remember this is brush pickup, branches no larger than 4" diameter and 6 feet long. No yard debris, leaves etc. should be mixed in with brush. Please no commercial debris, this service is for residents only.

Remember if you see an issue we need to address or have a question for Highway Superintendent Mike Shultis feel free to reach him at mshultis@townofhurley.org or on his cell 845-417-1485. He is always available to speak and or meet to discuss highway issues in your neighborhood.

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