



Village of Port Dickinson

Spring , 2006

Important Telephone Numbers:

Village Hall Business – 771-8233
Building Inspector & Code Officer 771-8233
Police – 722-1255
Police & Fire Emergency – 911

REMODELING, AN ADDITION, A POOL or CARPORT??? ALL PROBABLY REQUIRE BUILDING PERMITS.

Building Permits are **REQUIRED** for **VIRTUALLY ALL CONSTRUCTION**. PLEASE CALL THE BUILDING INSPECTOR @ 771-8233 WITH ANY QUESTIONS **PRIOR TO INITIATING YOUR PROJECT TO AVOID DELAYS & LITIGATION.**

Please allow time for the Inspector to return your call.
You can pick up permit applications at the Village Hall.
PLAN AHEAD!

From the Mayor...

VILLAGE TAXES: Great news this year. NO TAX INCREASE. Your Board has been able to maintain a solid financial plan, continue our preventive maintenance program on street repaving along with setting aside money for future equipment purchases and unforeseen emergencies. This sound financial result is a product of vigorous work and attention to detail by every Trustee on your Board. Sue Fox our Village Clerk and Cheryl Miller our Treasurer are also major contributors to your Village operating so efficiently. Thanks to all of you for your hard work!

SEWER & WATER RATES: MORE GOOD NEWS. Due to the aggressive campaign that we launched 4 years ago to closely monitor and anticipate the increasing rates at the Binghamton Johnson City Joint Sewage Treatment Plant we have been able to stabilize these rates for this period. Due to our long term agreement with the Town of Fenton we also have been able to maintain our current rate for water consumption.

MILLENNIUM PIPELINE UPDATE: We have met with the Millennium officials and are hopeful that the pipeline will go outside of the park at the north end and then under the highway. There is a slight chance some area in the park may be used for equipment as the pipe is buried under the river. Activity is planned for 2007.

MAYOR:

Kevin M. Burke – 723-5674

TRUSTEES:

Administration: James DeGennaro 773-8078
Parks, Water & Sewer: Edward Corcoran 724-1965
Public Safety: Richard Felo 724-4170
Public Works: Steven Horoschak 772-0573

FIRE DEPARTMENT: The Village Fire Department has received a new Pumper/Tanker. The cost of this much needed apparatus was offset greatly by the efforts of the FD Members who obtained a FEMA Grant. By receiving a low interest loan from the State and shared costs from the Town of Dickinson Fire Districts this purchase will have no impact on property taxes. Please take the time to extend your appreciation to our Volunteer Fire Department Members as their commitment to our safety is endless.



PORT DICKINSON FIRE DEPARTMENT'S NEW 2005 PUMPER TANKER

FIRE DEPARTMENT MEMBERS ... Are always needed and especially during the day hours and around the clock for our Fire Police Division. Call the Village Hall at 771-8233, leave your name and a member will call you back.

Please consider becoming a Fire Department Member. There are many areas of interest to be involved with.

COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION: Through the efforts of Senator of Thomas Libous the PDCA is planning on receiving a sizeable gift to be used toward the partial upgrade of all facilities and programs. This is a result of a comprehensive plan that the PDCA Officers worked very hard on to prepare more than a year ago.

PDCA FUND DRIVE:

To be able to complete the renovations and upgrades that are planned there is a need for additional funding. Your Port Dickinson Community Association will be initiating a fund raising campaign aimed at residents and businesses. Look in your mail for further details and please consider a gift as all contributions are tax deductible.

COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION ACTIVITY: Please note the sign on the front lawn of the Village Hall that has the current activity of the PDCA listed on it. The Officers and Coaches are always looking for assistance on numerous activities

YARD WASTE PICKUP- Lawn debris pickup will be on Mondays beginning April 4, weather permitting. All debris must be in containers (Max. 50lbs.) Branches must be tied in 4 ft lengths. NO PLASTIC BAGS or TRASH. Place containers or bundles between the sidewalk and the curb.

PLEASE CONSIDER COMPOSTING your lawn waste whenever possible. The Village Landfill has a limited capacity and the alternatives will prove very costly.

Regarding Contractor Garbage Pickup. Put containers out to the area between the sidewalk and the curb the evening before and remove them as soon as possible after pickup.

Please help keep Port Dickinson beautiful by not leaving containers at the curb.

SIDEWALKS: Over the next several months we will be initiating an effort to notify home owners of sidewalks that are unsafe or in disrepair. We have received numerous complaints from our residents regarding this situation. The Board has reviewed and revised the code in regards to sidewalks to make the code more enforceable. Code Enforcement will notify you by mail if you are in violation. Our Enforcement Officer will work with you on this to make adjustments uncomplicated. It is also our hope to also have a list of contractor's rates available for the residents to assist in compliance.

THANK YOU to our TOWN of DICKINSON FRIENDS:

Don Kumpon the Town Highway Superintendent has continually come through to assist us with various projects in the Village from Bulldozing our landfill to sweeping our streets. We have a great relationship with our T-own Officials. Thank You Mike Marinaccio, Supervisor and all the Board Members.

CANADIAN GEESE: All attempts at keeping the Geese out the Park and other locales have been fruitless and expensive. We are constantly monitoring new procedures to divert the geese from the Community Park. As the County Parks Department is continuing to be the lead agency in this issue, we are staying in contact with them in hopes of some relief.

FROM YOUR POLICE DEPARTMENT: Your Police Officers are distributing a brochure to all residents with information on the Department. Also enclosed is a strip of Police Department Phone Number Stickers. If you need more of these stickers please call the Village Hall M-F 8 AM to 4 PM at 771-8233 and we will mail additional ones to you.

Your Police Department wants to remind you that spring is the time when Door to Door Solicitors increase their activity. Village Law states that all solicitors must register at the Village Hall with ID and a photo prior to beginning their activity. Then they can only solicit between the hours of 9AM and sunset Mon-Sat. Please call the Police if you have any concerns or questions.

- **Remember to Lock your Car Doors!**
- **Please Report ANY & ALL Suspicious Activity!**

DROP BOX: Use the drop box for your water readings and tax payments in order to save postage.



Drop Box Location

HELP WANTED: Cub Master and assistants, male or female, 21 or older are needed to **REINSTATE THE CUB SCOUT PROGRAM in PORT DICKINSON.** No experience necessary, training will be provided. A strong Boy Scout Program in the Village will provide support. Background check must be performed. If interested please contact Ashton Elliott at 723-1466

NOTE FROM THE VILLAGE HISTORIANS: We are still in search of historical information regarding the Village. If you have anything such as old photographs, old news clippings, old letters about Port Dickinson, etc., please contact one of our Historians. They will arrange to pick it up, scan it, and return it to you, normally within a day of receiving it. Even if you don't think your item(s) might not be of value/importance, we would urge you to contact Bob or Roger so they may review it. Call the Village Hall at 771-8233.