



Village of Port Dickinson

October, 2009

Mayor: Kevin M. Burke – 723-5674

TRUSTEES:

Administration: James DeGennaro 773-8078

PD Buildings, Insurance & Building/Code Enforcement

Parks, Water & Sewer: Edward Corcoran 724-1965

Parks, Water & Sewer (Billing & Water Leaks)

Public Safety: Richard Felo 724-4170

Police & Fire Departments.

Public Works: Steven Horoschak 772-0573

Streets, Leaf / Snow Removal.

SEWER & WATER RATES: Due to the reduction we received from the Sewage Treatment Plant your Sewer rates will **DECREASE** .27 from \$4.43 down to \$4.16. Per hundred cubic feet. No increase in water rates.

DO NOT SHOVEL or DISCHARGE SNOW INTO THE STREET. It is illegal and this law will be enforced.

The 2010 FEDERAL CENSUS

During 2010 the Census will be conducted. Your Village Board is stressing how important it is for everyone to complete their questionnaire and be counted. Every aspect of our funding is determined by you being counted in the census. This impacts everyone! The village sales tax receipts and the amount of money you pay in taxes on property and rents is determined by this count. This census will also determine how the Federal Government will distribute over \$400 Billion back to the states over the next 10 years. Please take the few minutes needed and complete and return your Federal Census Form next year.

THE PORT DICKINSON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Is looking for proactive people to be involved to help our association continue and operate in a productive manner. For further information on programs or how to volunteer, call one of the PDCA officers listed below.

2009 -10 Community Association Officers

President: [Bill Phillips](#)-722-6208

Vice President [Jen Green](#)-621-0225

Secretary: [Krista Shoemaker](#)

[Treasurer: Colleen Schultz](#)

AT LARGE BOARD MEMBERS

[Todd Shear](#) / [Don Snyder](#)

[Erica Scott](#) / [Rob Moss](#)

TREE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM:

The initial year of our Village Tree replacement program was highly successful with more than 40 trees planted throughout the Village. A special thank you to our

Important Telephone Numbers:

Village Hall Business – 771-8233

Building Inspector & Code Officer 771-8233

Police – 722-1255

Police & Fire Emergency – 911

Website: www.portdickinsonny.us/

VERY IMPORTANT NOTICE

CHANGES IN THE WINTER ALTERNATE SIDE PARKING LAW

As was mentioned in the Spring Newsletter your village board has been forced to make some adjustments to the Winter Odd-Even Parking Laws:

**Effective November 1, 2009 the Odd-Even
Parking Law will change as listed:**

Effective for 24 hours beginning at 5 PM.

“PARK FOR TOMORROW”

(Previously Midnight to 7AM)

*Example: on December 1st, on or after 5PM
park your vehicle on the Even Side of the Street.*

**ALL STREETS in the Village will have
24 hour alternate parking
except the following:**

(Previously the law did not apply to one side only parking.)

Miller St. (One Way) - Parking on S.West Side Only.

No Parking allowed any time on these listed roads:

Church St.

Old State Road - Chenango to Rt.7.

Beacon St. - between Chenango and Kirkwood Ave.

Last winter we experienced numerous problems due to residents leaving their vehicles on the streets during snow storms and clean up.

If a vehicle is parked illegally it will be towed at the owner's expense (inc. storage costs) to expedite safe snow removal with reasonable consideration by our Police Department.

volunteer "Village Tree Specialists" BOB AAGRE and BOB SHIELDS for all of their work in this great effort.

Any Village home owner wishing to have a free tree planted on their property in the spring of 2010 please call Bob Shields at 772-1320 and place your order. We are accepting requests now on a first come first served basis. Don't wait until the spring when it will be too late. The tree is free, planting is free and pruning is included for the first few years. Various trees are available and are suitable for northeast planting.

VILLAGE FIRE DEPARTMENT:

The Port Dickinson Fire Department is always in need of new members. There are numerous levels of participation in which you serve. The Fire Police provide priceless assistance to our Police and at many non fire related situations. Please consider becoming a member by calling the Village Hall M-F 8AM to 4PM and leave your name and number and a member will call you back with information.

TO HELP OUR FIREFIGHTERS PLEASE:

- *When you see a Blue Light behind you while driving please allow them to pass.*
- *Help your Firefighters and yourselves, please shovel the snow away from the hydrants so they are visible to the responding Fire Apparatus.*

POLICE DEPARTMENT: Please welcome Officer Doug Pipher to the Village Police Department. Officer Pipher comes to Port Dickinson after an extensive 20+ year career with the Binghamton Police and brings an extensive resume with him that allowed him to hit the Village streets running. Please extend your welcomes as you see Officer Pipher on patrol.

Our Village also want to wish Sgt. Lew Warner the very best as he departed our Police Department to accept an administrative position with the Dryden Police Dept.

Your POLICE want you to know that if you need any assistance or have a question of our officers please do not hesitate to call then at 722-1255. Your Police are there 24 hours a day to serve you.

- **Please lock your car doors while parked overnight.**
- **If in doubt of anything suspicious please call your Police, you will be aiding them and they will sincerely appreciate your help.**

LEAF PICKUP: Is scheduled to begin the 3rd week in October or adjusted as necessary and continues as weather allows. Please rake your leaves to the area between your sidewalk and the curb, **NOT IN THE**

STREET, or leave them on the edge of your sidewalk. Leaves obstruct the street drains very seriously.

**PLEASE NOTE:
Monday Yard waste pickup ends October 19th.**

CODE ENFORCEMENT ISSUES:

TEMPORARY VEHICLE SHELTERS. Under the NYS Fire Prevention and Building Code, temporary vehicle shelters such as framed tent covers etc. are only allowed to be up for 90 days annually.

SNOW LEFT ON SIDEWALKS: The village may clear such sidewalks of snow and ice if they are not cleared by the owner within twenty-four (24) hours after a snowfall. The cost of this removal will be assessed against the owner of the property. We will attempt to notify the owner and be reasonable with this enforcement as adverse weather conditions direct. Please be conscientious & courteous and keep you sidewalks clear and safe.

IF YOU HAVE A WATER, SEWER or PUBLIC WORKS EMERGENCY:

During the night, weekends or holidays please call the Police at 722-1255 and inform the dispatcher and or officer of your situation. They will arrange to have the appropriate personnel respond to assist you. PLEASE if in doubt just call!

NEW PORT DICK LOCAL LAWS:

During the past year there have been several new laws enacted a brief summary follows.

- 4-2009 Prohibits the commercial sale of food in the Village Park.
- 5-2009 Provides that sewer rent rates will be established by the Board of Trustees after a Public Hearing
- 8-2009 Provides that notices of code violation may be mailed to the last known address of the person or entity upon which the same is served, as shown by the most recent tax record of the Village or a copy thereof handed to said person or entity which violation must be remedied within 30 days of the date of such service of such notice, failing which appropriate legal action may be taken relating to such violation.
- 9-2009 Adds tutoring as a permitted use in a Commercial zoning district