



Village of Port Dickinson

October 2016

Important Telephone Numbers:

Police, Fire Medical Emergency – 911

Port Dickinson Police – 722-1255

Village Hall Business – 771-8233

Building Inspector, Code, Clerk - 771-8233

Website: www.portdickinsonny.us/

MAYOR:

Kevin M. Burke – 723-5674

TRUSTEES:

Administration: James DeGennaro 725-4730

PD Buildings, Insurance, Building/Code Enforcement

Water & Sewer: Charles Harding 722-2534

Water & Sewer (Billing & Leaks)

Public Safety: Mike Cashman 760-9801

Police & Fire Departments.

Public Works & Parks: Bob Aagre 217-4122

Streets, Leaf / Snow Removal.

SPECIAL INFORMATION REGARDING

FUTURE SEWER RATES:

As your Board plans for future projects and expenditures we compare those with projected income and keep the financial impact on our residents to a minimum.

As our rate for water is relatively low, the sewer rate is higher and what we pay for sewer is driven by the amount of water we use.

We have been informed by the City of Binghamton, the lead agency at the Joint Sewage Treatment plant, that there will be no sewage rate increase for 2017 which is welcome news. But they also informed us that there most likely will be a considerable increase in sewer rates in 2018 and following years. They can't predict how much or exactly when as they are waiting for estimates of revenue from law suits and insurance payments that will offset costs of rebuilding the plant after the 2011 flood. This will determine the ultimate sewer rate charged to the "7 Outside Users" (users other than the owners Binghamton and Johnson City.)

We want to share this with you now so you will have time to possibly prepare and adjust your water consumption methods & apparatus. As you remodel or replace now is the time to think of such conservation measures as low flow shower heads & low consumption lavatories. Be wise as to water leaks by monitoring your meter during times of non-consumption.

The "OPERATIONAL COST" on your bill will decrease as soon as the State & Federal mandated CMOM's program is completed

IMPORTANT NOTICE

ALTERNATE SIDE PARKING BEGINS NOVEMBER 1.

Effective for 24 hours beginning at 5 PM.

"PARK FOR TOMORROW"

*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:

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

Note: No parking on Miller St. - Midnight to 7AM

**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.

If a vehicle is parked illegally & poses an immediate problem it will be towed at the owner's expense (plus storage costs) to expedite safe snow removal with reasonable consideration by the Police Department

TUESDAY YARD WASTE PICKUP:

Last Pickup is Tuesday November 8th.

LEAF PICKUP: Will begin as necessary and continues as accumulation dictates. Please rake your leaves to the area between your sidewalk and the curb, **not in the street**, or to the edge of your sidewalk.

Leaves obstruct the street drains very seriously.

STORM DRAINS: Do not pour paint or any chemicals into the storm drains. These flow into the river. This crime is punishable by state and federal laws.

You're Police Department Asks of You:

- **Please call immediately if you see or hear anything that is unusual or suspicious**
- **Always lock your vehicles when unattended and keep valuables out of sight.**
- **Close your garage doors when your home is vacant and always lock all of your doors.**
- **Don't leave bicycles or significant and valued items outside at night.**
- **You can report anything anonymously to the dispatcher if you desire.**

The Port Dickinson Police are available 24 hours a day to serve you and they will address your problems or situations in total confidence if you request.

GARBAGE & RECYCLING CONTAINERS:

- Containers - (Garbage, Recycling) may not be placed to the curb area prior to 2 PM the day preceeding the day of pickup. *For Lawn Debris that would be 2 PM Monday.*
- Containers must be removed from the curb no later than 9 PM the evening of the pickup. All debris must be in suitable containers or securely stacked in bundles so as to prevent blowing and scattering.
- During the winter while placing your garbage & recycling out for pickup, please keep in mind how the snow plows will affect those containers if it snows during the night. If placed too close to the street, they may be knocked over by the force of the snow removal.

Storage of Containers - "All containers shall be placed and stored behind the building out of view from the street or roadway. *In no event may garbage, debris, rubbish, recycling containers be stored in front of, in the front yard, or on the front porches of buildings. In the event any garbage can, recycling bin, or debris container or other related items cannot be stored out of view from the street or roadway, the property owner shall screen such areas of storage by opaque fencing and or plantings.*" 30-3A.

WINTER WEATHER REMINDERS:

SNOW & ICE LEFT ON SIDEWALKS: The village and or their contractors 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 considerate and keep your sidewalks clear. Minimum charge is \$25 plus additional labor and melting materials costs.

DISCHARGEING/SHOVELING SNOW INTO THE STREET IS ILLEGAL. This law will be enforced by the Police and Code Enforcement.

SNOW AROUND FIRE HYDRANTS: Please assist your Firefighters and keep the Fire Hydrants clear of snow. You will be helping yourself & adding to the safety and security of your neighbors!

FREEZING WATER LINES: During prolonged freezing temperatures take appropriate action to prevent your water service from freezing.

**WATER METER READINGS ARE DUE
3 TIMES A YEAR:**

February 1 -10; June 1-10; October 1-10

Your meter reading card can be mailed or placed in "Drop Box" in front of Village Hall or emailed to Village Clerk at: pdclerk@stny.rr.com

WATSON AVE. FLOOD CONTROL PUMP

PROJECT: The NYSDEC has completed this very strategic project and the pump has been tested and is in full service. This project will increase the flood water pumping capability by over 50% and is powered by a propane engine, not needing electricity avoiding the complication of power outages.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Our Fire Department is in need of members. Call the Village Hall at 771-8233, leave your name and a member will call you back. Please consider joining as there are many levels of service. The assistance they provide us is endless and the personal reward is beyond measure! Training and all equipment is provided. The education you receive is invaluable and will go to provide valuable experience in every walk of life. The Fire Department protects us in countless ways and is frequently summoned to assist our Police Department.

TO HELP OUR FIREFIGHTERS PLEASE:

- When you see a Blue Light behind you while driving please allow them to pass.
- Make sure your Smoke and CO2 Detectors are working properly. Replace batteries annually.

Our Fire Department,

Always there when you call!

BUILDING PERMITS are REQUIRED for virtually every construction and remodeling project. Avoid costly litigation and fines and call the Building Inspector at 771-8233 prior to initiating your work. Plan ahead and allow time for the Inspector to return your call.

TEMPORARY VEHICLE STRUCTURES:

AKA. "Car Tents" Per the NYS Fire Prevention & Building Code these structures are only allowed to be erected for 3 months during any 12 month period.

PORT DICKINSON COMMUNITY ASSOC:

Please support their fund raising activities as 100% of all proceeds and donations go directly to support the youth programs.

Watch for activity on the PDCA Sign on Chenango St. at the Community Park entrance.

Consider a tax deductible donation to the Association and mail to the Village Hall.

For PDCA information call: [Rob Moss 723-6388](tel:723-6388)

Visit the PDCA WEB SITE for more information

@ portdickcommunity.org

RESIDENTS: If you have any problems or issues please feel free to call a Trustee or the Mayor and don't wait until a Monthly Meeting. We are here to assist you.