



Village of Port Dickinson

Fall 2022 Newsletter

Important Telephone Numbers:

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

Police, Fire & Medical Emergency: Call 911
WEBSITE: www.portdickinsonny.us

MAYOR: Kevin M. Burke 723-5674

TRUSTEES:

Administration Charles Harding - 722-2534
Police, Fire, Code, Bldg. James DeGennaro- 725-4730
Public Works: Michael Cashman- 760-9801
Parks, Water & Sewer: Rob Moss - 206-8215

IMPORTANT DATES:

Please note the water reading and payment changes.
February 28 - Water Bill Payment Deadline.

June 30 - Village Tax Payment Due.

May 31 - Water Bill Payment Deadline.

August 30 - Water Bill Payment Deadline.

**October 1-10 - Water Meter Readings Due
(for those without remote meters)**

November 30 - Water Bill Payment Deadline.

All meter reading cards can be mailed or dropped off in the Drop Box in front of Village Hall or emailed to the Clerk at pdclerk@stny.rr.com please make sure you receive an email reply to insure that your reading has been received. Bills with checks can be placed in drop box also. **NO CASH** in the drop box.

**REMOTE READING METERS
NO ACTION REQUIRED.**

TUESDAY YARD WASTE PICKUP: Last Pickup is Tues. Oct. 25 TH. Leaf pickup begins, as necessary. Place leaves between the sidewalk and the curb, **not in the street.** If we receive an early snowstorm, collection may be suspended. Check the Village Website for updates.

CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION: WILL CEASE ON FRIDAY JANUARY 20, 2023.

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.

BARKING DOGS: If you have a problem with a barking dog, call the Police 607-722-1255 (anonymously if you like) if the Police witness the barking for 15 minutes (inside or out) a summons will be issued, and the Dog Control Officer will be notified for possible further action.

SPECIAL THANK YOU: To Town of Dickinson Highway Superintendent Joel Kie and the Town Board for their ongoing assistance supporting our Public Works with equipment and our cooperative agreement with our lawn debris collection program.

PORT DICKINSON COMMUNITY ASSOC.
Upcoming events can be viewed on the sites listed below. The PDCA can really use your help. **Any QUESTIONS EMAIL: portdca@gmail.com. Check our Facebook page and on Instagram follow @portdickca**

TOYS FOR TOTS: There will be collection barrel inside the front door of the Village Hall

TREE TRIMMING: It is the homeowner's obligation to trim the trees on their property to allow for a min. of 7 feet of clearance over the sidewalk and street.

GARBAGE, RECYCLING & LAWN DEBRIS CONTAINERS and assorted waste may be placed to the areas between the sidewalk and curb AFTER 2PM the day prior to the day of each pickup.

Containers must be removed no later than 8PM the evening of that pickup. If you place your containers, scrap, or garbage to the curb earlier than 2PM the Village and or its contractor will collect this debris and the property owner will be charged for the removal. Typical charge is approx. \$50.00

If you have more than your normal waste container to be collected, you must notify your waste collector in advance of collection that day that you have excessive items to be collected.

RE: STORAGE OF ALL RECYCLING, GARBAGE, DEBRIS & YARD WASTE CONTAINERS: - "All containers shall be placed and stored behind the building out of view from the street or roadway. In no event may containers be stored in front of, the front yard or front porches of buildings. In the event these containers or other related items cannot be stored out of view from the street the property owner shall screen such areas of storage by opaque fencing and or plantings."

WINTER WEATHER REMINDERS:

SNOW & ICE LEFT ON SIDEWALKS: The Village or contractors may clear 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 & fee 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. Minimum charge is \$25 plus additional labor and melting materials costs. Please be considerate and keep your sidewalks clear and safe.

FIRE HYDRANTS: Please help yourself, your neighbors and your Fire Department and keep our Hydrants clear of snow.

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

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

POLICE DEPARTMENT: wants to bring to your attention the following information and advice:

- **UNLOCKED VEHICLES & HOMES ARE BEING ENTERED. REMEMBER; LOCK YOUR VEHICLES AND YOUR DOORS.**
- **CLOSE YOUR GARAGE DOORS WHEN NO ONE IS HOME.**
- **AVOID LEAVING BICYCLES AND VALUABLES OUTSIDE AT NIGHT.**
- **PLEASE Call the Police if you see or hear ANY Suspicious or Unusual Activity. No call is too minor.**
- **You can report anonymously.**

NOTE: *Evening, weekend & some day calls to the Police may be received by a County Dispatcher. If you have a problem (e.g., water or sewer) or desire to talk to an officer, just state your problem and ask the dispatcher to have a Port Dickinson Police Officer visit you, or phone you and address your situation.*

ROCHELLE RD: needs paving; we are awaiting grant information for a new water main there and will repave when that is complete. If unsuccessful we will schedule for 2023.

CENSUS NEWS: From the 2020 Census it has been reported that the Port Dickinson is one of only five local municipalities to have an increase in population. The Village increased by 3.5%. As sales tax receipts are distributed based on population this is good news for the Village.

HOUSE / PROPERTY NUMBERS: Numbers must be posted at the front entrance in manner as to be legible and distinguishable from the street. This is a NYS, County and Village Law. **Please help the Emergency Responders find your home and do not blame them if they are delayed finding your home if your number is not visible.**

PDFD FIREFIGHTER HONORED: Port Dickinson Fire Fighter Dominick Lomonaco was recently featured on Spectrum News as a student studying alongside Scientists at the Mohawk Medical Research Institute in Utica. Dominick is in the Pre-Med Program at Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences studying to be an Emergency Room Physician. Dominick remains active in our Fire Department during weekends, breaks and vacations.

CONGRATULATIONS DOMINICK!



PORT DICKINSON FIRE DEPARTMENT

786 Chenango Street, Binghamton, NY 13901

607-771-8233



FIRE DEPARTMENT SPECIAL APPEAL

The Port Dickinson Fire Department like every volunteer Fire Department in our country is struggling to maintain its ranks. Membership numbers are down, and call volume is increasing. We want to be able to answer your calls for assistance.

This is a request to everyone to please consider joining the Fire Department. If you live in the Village of Port Dickinson or in the Town of Dickinson areas of Upper Phelps St., Upper State Road, Upper Bevier St. this appeal is directed to you. Also, anyone living in the areas surrounding these locations can apply. Please pass this information along to anyone you think may be interested.

- The personal satisfaction that a member receives from helping our community and neighbors when they are in need is beyond measure.
- The percentage of Fire calls versus Medical, Service, Motor Vehicle Accidents is very low. Local reports put Fire calls at approximately 20% of all requests for assistance.
- There are numerous levels of participation in which to be involved. For example, apparatus drivers, pump operators, traffic assist to local police agencies, assisting neighbors with home water conditions just to mention a few.
- On the medical side the Fire Department will train you in Automatic External Defibrillation (AED), CPR and to be an Emergency Medical First Responder. Further EMS training can be sponsored.
- Hands on and Classroom Training consists of a few hours each month. NYS Fire Education Courses are also available.
- The knowledge and experience you receive is immeasurable.

If you feel you might be interested in joining, please call the Port Dickinson Village Hall at **607-771- 8233** Monday through Friday 8 AM to 4:30 PM, leave your name and phone number and a Fire Department representative will contact you to answer any questions you may have.

The Desire to Serve, The Courage to Act, The Ability to Perform!

Affordableconnectivity.gov

Financial Assistance Programs:

The Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) is a U.S. government program run by the [Federal Communications Commission \(FCC\) program](#) to help low-income households pay for internet service and connected devices like a laptop or tablet.

<https://otda.ny.gov/programs/water-assistance/>

The Low-Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP) helps low-income households pay the cost of water and sewer services. The program can assist households who have past due bills (arrears) for water and/or sewer services.

HEAP - <https://otda.ny.gov/programs/heap/>

The Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) can help eligible New Yorkers heat and cool their homes. If you are eligible, you may receive one regular HEAP benefit per program year and could also be eligible for emergency HEAP benefits if you are in danger of running out of fuel or having your utility service shut off.

Port Dickinson Community Association Upcoming Events

OCTOBER:

- Watch for a Fun Halloween Event coming at the end of October!
- Youth Civic Basketball Sign Ups

NOVEMBER & DECEMBER:

- 3rd Annual 'There's "Snow" Place Like Home Holiday Light Contest'
signups at the end of November

The PDCA is looking for young families to join, volunteers are always welcome!

Watch our Facebook page for upcoming meetings!

Donations can be made to the village hall or through our Venmo @PortDickCivic.

QUESTIONS EMAIL: portdca@ gmail.com.

Instagram follow @portdickca