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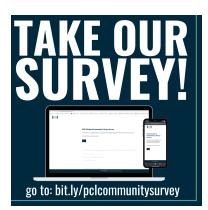
Town of Pittsford - a Clean Energy Community

See listings below for

Upcoming Activities, Town Board Meetings & Community Meetings

LIBRARY SURVEY ENDS THIS SATURDAY – YOUR IDEAS & COMMENTS NEEDED!

As the Pittsford Community Library continues to grow in new and innovative ways, the staff and board would like to hear from you about Library programs, services, materials and amenities. Your feedback via their online survey will help shape how the Library continues to realize its community promise: to be welcoming, to be knowledgeable, to be compassionate, to be engaging, and to be fun.



The survey ends this Saturday, June 19. Please consider taking 5-8 minutes to provide feedback through this <u>short survey</u>. All responses are anonymous. Your time will be much appreciated and your input truly valued!



SUPERVISOR SATURDAY WITH BILL SMITH THIS WEEK – JUNE 19

Town Supervisor Bill Smith will host his community open house meeting this Saturday, June 19 from 9:00 - 10:00am at the Pittsford Community Library. Stop by and join the conversation to catch up on current Town projects and other topics you might wish to discuss, such as the Town's **Zoning Code Update**, our latest **sustainability efforts**, and other **issues that affect your neighborhood**. If you've got questions, ideas or comments for Supervisor Smith, be sure to join him

this Saturday!

This casual open house will be in the Fisher Meeting Room; participants will be expected to wear a face covering and follow appropriate health and physical distancing guidelines. Supervisor Saturday enables residents who can't stop by to see the Supervisor during the work week a chance to speak to him directly. Come and discuss what matters most to you! Drop by – no registration required. The Pittsford Community Library is located at 24 State Street.

Supervisor Smith keeps an open door policy and also welcomes visits from residents at

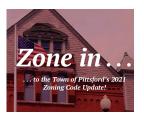
Town Hall during regular business hours Monday to Friday by appointment. As always, he's available by phone at 248-6220 and by email at <u>bsmith@townofpittsford.org</u>.

TOWN OFFICES CLOSED FRIDAY FOR JUNETEENTH HOLIDAY, LIBRARY & COMMUNITY CENTER OPEN

Town offices will be closed this Friday, June 18 in observance of the Juneteenth holiday, which commemorates the end to slavery and celebrates Black and African American freedom and achievements. The Pittsford Community Library and the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center are open regular hours.



Juneteenth commemorates June 19, 1865, when the news of emancipation came to Texas more than two years after President Abraham Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation went into effect on January 1, 1863. African Americans across the state were made aware of their right to freedom on this day when Major General Gordon Granger arrived in Galveston with federal troops to read General Order No. 3 announcing the end of the Civil War and that all those enslaved were now free, as well as to maintain a presence in Texas for the purpose of enforcing emancipation among slave-owners throughout the state.

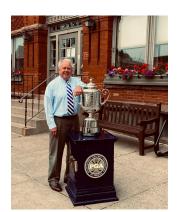


TOWN BOARD ZONING MEETING VIDEO AVAILABLE ONLINE If you missed the June 9 Town Board Zoning Code Update meeting, you can view it online at this link: <u>Town Board Zoning</u> <u>Code Update Meeting 6/9/21</u>. Complete information about the Town's Zoning Code Update can be found at <u>www.townofpittsford.org/zoningupdate</u>.

A Message from the Supervisor

PITTSFORD TO HOST 2023 PGA CHAMPIONSHIP

Pittsford's been chosen once more as the site of a major PGA tournament – the 2023 PGA Championship, to be held at Oak Hill Country Club. I was fortunate to have the opportunity to chat with representatives of the PGA as they photographed the Championship Cup in front of Town Hall! We look forward to the return of PGA to Pittsford and the many benefits it brings to our community. *Bill Smith, Pittsford Town Supervisor*





BLOOD DRIVE AT THE LIBRARY JUNE 24

The Town of Pittsford will host a Red Cross blood drive on Thursday, June 24 from 9:00am – 2:00pm at the Pittsford Community Library in the Fisher Meeting Room. The Library is located at 24 State Street in the Village of Pittsford.

Donors can schedule an appointment by calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or using this <u>online registration link</u>. Please schedule an appointment prior to your arrival to help ensure we can safely manage the flow of donors.

The Red Cross will be following all COVID-19 guidelines during the blood drive; additional precautions in place include physical distancing protocols, face coverings, health screenings and enhanced cleaning procedures. Enhanced safety practices include:

- **Pre-Donation Donor Temperature Screening** all donors must have their temperature taken onsite before entering the blood drive; those with a temperature greater than 99.5°F will be asked to donate at another time and will not enter.
- Masks all donors, staff and volunteers are required to wear masks; those without a mask will be provided with one.
- Enhanced Disinfecting hand sanitizer will be available in multiple areas and donor beds will be sanitized between every donor.
- All staff will be screened for temperature and symptoms before working; staff will wear gloves throughout entire blood drive, changing gloves between every donor.

Donors can save time using the RapidPass registration process. Just visit <u>www.redcrossblood.org/RapidPass</u> on the day of your scheduled donation, read the information, answer the questions, then print or email yourself the pass.

Donating blood is a simple thing to do, but it can make a big difference in the lives of others. Current natural disasters and the complexities of COVID-19 mean your help is needed now more than ever. The Red Cross has the ability to move blood around the country to wherever, and whenever, it is needed most. All blood, platelet and plasma donations will be tested for COVID-19 antibodies as well. The test may indicate if the donor's immune system has produced antibodies to this coronavirus, regardless of whether they developed symptoms.

As we continue to navigate this pandemic, blood donations remain essential to the health of our communities. The Red Cross needs the ongoing support of blood donors and blood drive hosts to ensure blood products are available for patients battling disease and facing the unexpected. If you are eligible and feeling well, please make an appointment today to give by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting RedCrossBlood.org or calling 800-RED-CROSS.

PITTSFORD PLAYGROUND PASSPORT PROGRAM UNDERWAY!

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Visit all five playgrounds and get a prize and a chance for a free week of Summer Camp!

We're offering a free new program that's great for family fun outdoors! Pick up a Pittsford Recreation Playground at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center front desk any time throughout the summer. Then visit each of our five Town playgrounds and once you've visited all five, each child will receive a prize. Plus, each completed passport will be entered into a drawing for a free week of Summer Camp! Here are the details for this free program:

Town of Pittsford Playgrounds:

- Great Embankment Park (631 Marsh Rd)
- Hopkins Park (5 Barker Rd)
- King's Bend Park (170 W. Jefferson Rd)
- Pittsford Community Center (35 Lincoln Ave)
- Thornell Farm Park (480 Pittsford-Mendon Rd)

How it works:

- Visit all five playgrounds in the Town of Pittsford before August 31, 2021.
- Record the date of each visit in your passport.
- Return your completed Playground Passport to the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center in exchange for a prize! (Monday Thursday 8:00am-9:00pm, Friday 8:00am-6:00pm or Saturday 9:00am-5:00pm).

• Completed passports will be entered into a grand prize drawing (free week of Summer Fun Camp- 2022). The winner will be announced the first week of September.

Playground Safety Tips:

- An adult should always be present when children are using playground equipment.
- Wash your hands and avoid close contact with others.
- Choose age-appropriate playground equipment.
- Wear appropriate footwear.
- Stay hydrated, don't forget to bring a water bottle!

When your passport is completed, drop it off at the Community Center front desk and each child can select a prize – a pair of Pittsford Recreation sunglasses or a beach ball! For more details call the Community Center at 248-6280. The Spiegel Pittsford Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue.



GENDER IDENTITY ONLINE WORKSHOP AT THE LIBRARY THURSDAY

The Pittsford Community Library will host an online Gender Identity Workshop this Thursday, June 17, from 6:30 – 7:30pm via Zoom. Join Shalym Nater of the Ibero-American Action League in this informative two-part workshop on gender identity. The second part of this series (to be held June 23) will be a panel discussion with three LGBTQ+ guests.

The programs is free but registration is required to receive the Zoom link; the Zoom link will be sent the day of the program. <u>Register online here</u> or visit <u>www.townofpittsford.org/library</u> and use the Library Program Registration link.

The Pittsford Community Library is located at 24 State Street. To learn more about upcoming Library programs, visit the <u>Library's online program calendar</u>. For complete Library information, including hours of operation, visit <u>www.townofpittsford.org/library</u>.

VILLAGE HISTORY WALK BY FORMER MAYOR BOB CORBY JUNE 26

Former Village Mayor Bob Corby will host his first-of-the-season Village History tour on Saturday, June 26. Participants can meet at 10:00am in the circle in front of Pittsford Farms Dairy, by the



Mercury statue. The Dairy is located at 44 North Main Street. The tour focus is "Pittsford Village and the Erie Canal, Past and Future." The tour is free and open to the public – all are welcome! Please note participants are expected to follow current COVID-19 health guidelines.

REMINDERS

TOWN BOARD MEETINGS ARE STREAMING LIVE

Pittsford Town Board meetings are being streamed live; the feed is accessible on any device. Town Board is typically held the first and third Tuesday of the month at 6:00pm at Town Hall. See <u>www.townofpittsford.org/calendar</u> for meeting dates. To view the livestream, click the <u>Town Board Meeting live streaming link</u> when the meeting begins. This link can also be found on page two of the meeting agenda. The meeting

agenda is posted on the Town's <u>minutes and agendas page</u> at least two days prior to the meeting. Please note: if you try to log in too early (before the meeting feed is live) you will see an error message; refresh your screen just prior to or at 6:00pm when the board meeting starts and you will be able to view the meeting. As always, ASL interpretation is provided for every Town Board meeting.

ASL INTERPRETER ALWAYS AVAILABLE AT TOWN BOARD MEETINGS

The Town of Pittsford has an American Sign Language interpreter available at every Pittsford Town Board meeting, to interpret for those who need this service. Those who can't attend a Town Board meeting in person but are planning to watch the meeting's live stream can confirm their need for the interpreter by

emailing <u>comments@townofpittsford.org</u>. Requests can be made in advance or can be emailed through the first ten minutes of the meeting. An on-demand Town Board meeting video with closed captioning will be available within 48 hours of the meeting; visit <u>www.townofpittsford.org/home-channel12</u> and use the On-Demand links to view previously recorded meetings.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES IN PITTSFORD

- Supervisor Saturday with Bill Smith join the conversation with Town Supervisor Bill Smith at this casual open house, topics of discussion based upon attendee interest; Saturday, 6/19, 9:00 - 10:00am, Fisher Meeting Room (first floor), Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street. Please note appropriate COVID-19 health guidelines will be followed.
- <u>Pittsford Community Library programs & services survey</u>, survey is open online through 6/19; click this <u>link to take the survey</u>, all responses are anonymous
- <u>Red Cross Blood Drive at Pittsford Community Library</u>, Thursday, 6/24, 9:00am 2:00pm, Pittsford Community Library Fisher Meeting Room, 24 State Street; <u>schedule an appointment in advance using this online registration link</u> or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767); the Red Cross will be following all COVID-19 guidelines during the blood drive, for more information visit www.redcrossblood.org
- Highlands of Pittsford Food Drive to benefit Pittsford Food Cupboard, Thursday, June 24, 10:00am – 2:00pm, drop off at the Hahnemann Club, 301 Stoutenburgh Lane; items needed include coffee, condiments, jam/jelly, brownie and cookie mix, canned tomato products, and reusable bags
- <u>Town Summer Concert Series</u> opening night, featuring Dixieland jazz with the Smugtown Stompers, Friday, 6/25, 6:30pm, canalside in Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford, 22 N. Main Street
- Pittsford Village and the Erie Canal, Past and Future Village Walking Tour by former Village Mayor Bob Corby, Saturday, June 26, 10:00am, meet by the Mercury statue in the circle in front of Pittsford Dairy, 44 North Main Street; free and open to the public
- <u>Town of Pittsford Zoning Code Update</u> comments made by Town of Pittsford stakeholders via email and mail being accepted; access the Comprehensive Plan, the Active Transportation Plan, the project timeline, a link to the Town's current Zoning Code, and other informational materials, on the Zoning Code Update website at www.townofpittsford.org/zoningupdate. Comments can be made to zoningupdate@townofpittsford.org or mailed to Doug DeRue, Town of Pittsford, 11 South Main Street, Pittsford, NY 14534; please indicate whether you are a Town or Village resident.

TOWN OF PITTSFORD BOARD MEETINGS

 Zoning Board, Monday, 6/21, 7:00pm, ONLINE ACCESS via Zoom video conferencing; information for accessing and viewing the meeting can be found on page 2 of the meeting agenda; the meeting agenda is posted at least two days prior to the meeting on the Town website here: www.townofpittsford.org/home-minutes

COMMUNITY MEETINGS CALENDAR

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- <u>Board of Education</u> meeting, Monday, 6/21, 7:00pm, Barker Road Middle School McCluski Board Room, 75 Barker Road
- <u>Village Board of Trustees</u> Special Meeting, Tuesday, 6/22, 6:30pm, virtual meeting through videoconferencing; more information and participation registration details will be listed on the Village website <u>here</u> as the meeting date approaches.
- <u>Town Board Zoning Code Update online meeting</u>, Wednesday, June 23, noon, via Zoom; use this <u>meeting link</u>; Meeting ID is 870 3501 8158. The Zoning Update meetings are tentatively scheduled for the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at noon, through the end of 2021. Find <u>complete meeting schedule here</u>.
- <u>American Legion Rayson-Miller Post 899</u> Tuesday morning breakfast and socializing, every Tuesday, 8:00-10:00am, Post 899, Pittsford Village Hall lower level, 21 North Main Street; open to all – meet and socialize with veterans; no charge but donations accepted. Eligible veterans welcome to join the Post; click this link for <u>membership information</u> or visit the <u>Rayson-Miller Post website</u>
- <u>Pittsford Rotary Club</u>, WEEKLY MEETINGS HELD VIA ZOOM UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE due to COVID-19 coronavirus social distancing requirements; check the Pittsford Rotary Facebook page for virtual meeting information.
- <u>Pittsford Art Group</u> is conducting monthly meetings for members via Zoom and typically displays artwork at the Pittsford Town Hall, Village Hall, The Friendly Home, Star Physical Therapy and the First Presbyterian Church of Pittsford. For further information or to become a member, please visit <u>www.pittsfordartgroup.com</u> or contact PAG president <u>Margie Mitchell</u>

Town Facility Access

Spiegel Pittsford Community Center: building is open 8:00am - 5:00pm Monday-Thursday, 8:00am - 6:00pm Friday, and 9:00am - 5:00pm Saturday. Senior "Grab N Go" meals will continue every Wednesday and Friday; pickup is at the bus loop behind the Community Center. Registration for low-risk activities and virtual programs begins in advance of each session. See Program Info & Registration link at <u>www.townofpittsford.org/home-recreation</u>. Programs will continue to open as we receive further guidance. Visitors and program participants are expected to observe appropriate COVID-19 physical distancing and face covering guidelines.

Pittsford Community Library: the Library is now open for limited hours and services; enter from the parking lot entrance. The Library also has many online resources,

programs and activities for all ages to enjoy. For current Library hours, services, updates, visit and other the Library's update resources, page at www.townofpittsford.org/home-library-covid19-info. The Book Drop return area is open; please only deposit returned books; for information on book sale donations visit www.pittsfordlibraryfriends.com. Regular due dates for all materials have resumed; check your receipt or your Library account for exact due dates. Low contact pickup of Library materials is available for Monroe County Library System cardholders. Patrons are expected to observe appropriate COVID-19 physical distancing and face covering guidelines.

Town Hall: residents are encouraged to handle business online and by mail, phone, email and the "drop slot" to the right of the front door and at the back door of Town Hall. Calls should be made to the department related to the inquiry. Town Hall is open at reduced capacity; appropriate physical distancing and mask use are required. Those entering Town Hall are expected to observe appropriate COVID-19 physical distancing and face covering guidelines.

Town Clerk: all services of the Town Clerk are available online, by mail, phone and email; residents are encouraged to handle business via these methods if possible. If necessary, an appointment can be arranged. Contact at 248-6210 or <u>Idillon@townofpittsford.org</u>, mail materials to Pittsford Town Clerk's Office, 11 South Main Street, Pittsford NY 14534. Services info at <u>www.townofpittsford.org/home-clerk</u>.

Town Court: Pittsford Town Court sessions are being scheduled on a limited basis. Town Court staff are available via phone and email Monday - Friday from 9:00am -5:00pm; call (585) 248-6238 or email at pthurber@townofpittsford.org. Visitors must follow appropriate health safety and social distancing requirements for Court appearances and Court Office visits.

All Town Playgrounds: residents may use Town playgrounds at their own risk, as it is not possible for the Town to keep equipment appropriately sanitized after every use. Those using Town playgrounds are expected to observe COVID-19 social distancing and hygiene protocols.

All Town Parks: all Town parks are open; all courts are open, all athletic fields are open to groups of 25 individuals or less, and all trails and walkways are accessible. Those using Town parks are expected to observe COVID-19 social distancing and hygiene protocols.

Thornell Farm Park: the park is open and per State requirements, all grass and turf sports fields are open to group activities of 25 individuals or less; the tennis courts, trails, walkways and the playground are open to residents. COVID-19 social distancing and hygiene protocols are required.

King's Bend Park Lodges: the lodges are open for reservations; per State and Federal governments all COVID-19 safety guidelines must be followed while at the lodges. Lodge capacities will adhere to New York State COVID-19 guidelines. Please note COVID-19 social distancing and hygiene protocols are required.

The Mile Post School: the building is closed to the public until further notice, as the site is being used as a Public Works crew operation center.

Building Department: as of May 15, 2020 the Governor has begun the phased reopening of New York State. The Town of Pittsford and the surrounding Finger Lakes

region have met the criteria set by the Governor to reopen. Construction is included in Phase 1 of the reopening plan. As construction moves forward, all COVID-19 safety guidelines set by the State and Federal governments must be followed while on the job site. To protect the community and limit the spread of COVID-19, the Town of Pittsford has altered accordingly its inspection and permitting procedures. See the Town of Pittsford COVID-19 Building Inspection Procedures for details; additional information can be found here: New York State Construction Guidelines. For more information contact Town of Pittsford Building Inspector Allen Reitz at areitz@townofpittsford.org or call the Town Building Department at 585-248-6265.

Town Public Works - Highway, Sewer and Parks Departments: All operations continue. Crews in these departments are following hygiene and social distancing protocols in light of the COVID-19 guidelines.

Monroe County Services at Town facilities:

The County has suspended until further notice Passport Services at Town Hall and Mobile DMV service at Pittsford Town Court. Find updated information for Monroe County DMV here <u>https://www2.monroecounty.gov/clerk-COVID-19</u>.

Further information and updates can be found at <u>www.townofpittsford.org/covid-19info</u>.

COVID-19 Coronavirus Information Links

Further Town of Pittsford COVID-19 coronavirus information and updates can be found at <u>www.townofpittsford.org/covid-19info</u>.

Pittsford Central School District COVID-19 Coronavirus Updates

You can find information on COVID-19 coronavirus at the County Health Department's website: <u>https://www2.monroecounty.gov/health-index.php</u>.

Additional information about business closure requirements throughout Monroe County can be found on the County's Website: <u>www.monroecounty.gov</u>

The CDC also has information on its website at <u>https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/share-facts-stop-fear.html</u>.

In addition, the CDC has information relevant to anyone planning to travel outside of the United States: <u>https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/index.html?</u> <u>deliveryName=USCDC_2067-DM20785</u>.

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