

# News & Reviews

June 30, 2021

Town of Pittsford - a Clean Energy Community

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## Message from the Supervisor WISHING ALL A SAFE AND HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY

The Fourth of July finds many on the road, whether off to a picnic, heading to a vacation spot or to family and friends. Wherever you may find yourself on the Fourth, it's a moment for celebration for every one of us – marking the founding of our country and the promise of liberty and justice for all!



Wishing you a safe and happy Independence Day! Bill Smith, Pittsford Town Supervisor

# TOWN OFFICES & FACILITIES CLOSURES FOR JULY 4 TH HOLIDAY

Town Hall and Town Highway, Parks, Sewer and Court offices and operations will be closed on Monday, July 5 in observance of the Independence Day holiday. In case of an emergency requiring Town of Pittsford services during the holiday closure, please call (585) 248-6212.

The Spiegel Pittsford Community Center will be open regular hours on Saturday, July 3 (9:00am – 5:00pm) and will be closed on Sunday and Monday, July 4 and 5.

The **Pittsford Community Library** is closed on Sundays; it will be **open regular hours on Monday**, **July 5** (9:00am – 8:00pm).

We wish you and your family a safe and happy Fourth of July holiday!

# UPDATE ON RECENT CARJACKING AND TIPS ON PERSONAL SAFETY

For details about a recent purse snatching and carjacking in Pittsford and personal safety tips related to such crimes, please see this <u>safety</u> <u>message from Supervisor Bill Smith</u>.





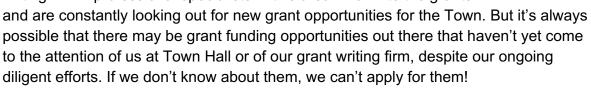
# LIBRARY'S STRING CHICKENS CONCERT IN CARPENTER PARK TONIGHT - 6/30

The Pittsford Community Library welcomes String Chickens in concert tonight, Wednesday, June 30, canalside in Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford! The concert is from 7:00 – 8:00pm and features a lively evening filled with fiddle, mandolin, guitar, upright bass, and a bit of singing! The String Chickens are sure to lift your spirits with an eclectic, heartfelt mix of old-time, bluegrass, Americana, and Irish music. Registration is required – register online here or visit

<u>www.townofpittsford.org/library</u> and use the Library Program Registration link. Carpenter Park is located at 22 North Main Street. Bring your blankets or lawn chairs and enjoy this lovely evening along the canal.

# LET US KNOW ABOUT GRANT OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE TOWN Help us save taxpayer dollars

The Town vigorously pursues grant funding opportunities to save Town taxpayers money. In order to maximize these opportunities and to do our best to leave no stone unturned, the Town has engaged a grant writing firm – professional specialists in this area who write the grants



If you, as a resident, are aware of any grant opportunities for the Town, please don't keep it to yourself – let us know at Town Hall! We and all of your fellow Pittsford residents will thank you. It's a way for you to help advance the continuing effort of our Town government for fiscal efficiency, sparing taxpayers additional burden while providing a useful or desirable service or amenity for Pittsford residents. Please let us know. Contact Town Supervisor Bill Smith at <u>wsmith@townofpittsford.org</u> or (585) 248-6220 with the details.

# EQUITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS APPOINTED

On a bipartisan vote, our Town Board has made appointments to the Town's Equity Advisory Committee. The **committee members** are:

- Community residents: John Delante, Rubiena Duarte, Radhika Ramesh, Nita Singh
- Town Board members: Councilman Kevin Beckford, Deputy Town Supervisor Kate Bohne Munzinger



• Town Staff members: Chief of Staff Spencer Bernard, Communication Director Shelley O'Brien

Planning is underway to schedule the first committee meeting. We look forward to a process that includes forthright and open-minded discussion of ideas that can contribute to the quality of life in our community for everyone.

# SENIORS PICNIC AT KING'S BEND PARK JULY 20

We're excited to hold an in-person picnic for our seniors in July at King's Bend Park! Seniors, make your





reservation for a lovely picnic at King's Bend Park on Tuesday, July 20. Deputy Town Supervisor Kate Bohne Munzinger and Town Justice John Bernacki will be serving up a delicious meal of BBQ chicken (featuring Kate's BBQ sauce, a family secret!), onion soup rice, green beans, Linda Steidel's famous potato salad – plus strawberry shortcake, a traditional favorite! Lunch is at 12noon; cost is \$6.00 per person and advance

registration is required by July 13.

Enjoy a beautiful afternoon with good food, fellowship, and sunshine. For more information or to register, stop by the Pittsford Seniors office at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center or call 248-6235. King's Bend Park is located at 170 West Jefferson Road in Pittsford. To learn more about all of our wonderful programs for seniors <u>visit</u> our Seniors web page.

# AS PRIDE MONTH DRAWS TO AN END, RECOGNITION AND SUPPORT CONTINUES

Pride Month draws to a close today but our recognition of and support for the members of our LGBTQ community continues as always. We share in the pride of their accomplishments, both locally and across our nation. We value their contributions, found in every facet



of our society throughout history. We applaud their strength and courage as they've fought in the past, and continue to fight, for the respect and equality they deserve. Happy Pride!



# NO ZONING CODE UPDATE MEETINGS IN JULY, JUNE 23 MEETING VIDEO ONLINE

The Pittsford Town Board is conducting regular meetings to discuss the Town's Zoning Code Update; there are no meetings scheduled for July.

If you missed the June 23 Town Board Zoning Code Update meeting, you can view it online at this link: <u>Town Board Zoning Code Update Meeting 6/23/21</u>. Complete information about the Town's Zoning Code Update can be found at <u>www.townofpittsford.org/zoningupdate</u>.

The Zoning Update meetings are tentatively scheduled for the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at noon, through the end of 2021. Please note dates and times are subject to change; check <u>www.townofpittsford.org/calendar</u> for the most current updates. Meetings will be held via Zoom and are open to the public. Information about how to view the meetings will be posted on the Town website at www.townofpittsford.org at least two days prior to the meeting. The meetings will also be listed on the Town website calendar. You can find a <u>complete meeting schedule here</u>.

Learn more about the Zoning Code Update, and find links to the Town's Comprehensive Plan, Active Transportation Plan, current Zoning Code, and other informational materials, on the Zoning Code Update website at www.townofpittsford.org/zoningupdate.

# FIREWORKS COURTESY NOTIFICATION

#### FOR JULY 4 WEEKEND

Public and private fireworks events in the Town of Pittsford require a permit issued by the Town. As a courtesy, notifications for public and private fireworks events held within the Town are posted on the <u>Town</u> <u>website</u>, the <u>Town Facebook page</u> and in the <u>Town's eNews</u>. Courtesy notifications also can be mailed in advance to those in the immediate area of a permitted fireworks event (public or private) who request them. To request a mailed Fireworks Notification,



please contact Town Fire Marshal and Code Enforcement Officer Kelly Cline at <u>kcline@townofpittsford.org</u> or 248-6250. Please see below current fireworks event permit notification.

#### **Current Fireworks Event Notifications:**

Friday, July 2, 2021 Private fireworks event in the area of Mendon Center Road and Barker Road approximately 10:00pm

Saturday, July 3, 2021 Private fireworks event at Irondequoit Country Club - approximately 9:40pm

Sunday, July 4, 2021 Private fireworks event at Monroe Golf Club - approximately 9:45pm

All current Fireworks Event Courtesy Notification listings can be found on the Town website at <u>www.townofpittsford.org/fireworks-notifications</u>.

# UNAUTHORIZED FIREWORKS PROHIBITED - CALL 911 TO REPORT VIOLATIONS

Please note that public and private fireworks events in the Town of Pittsford require a permit issued by the Town. This applies to all fireworks, not just aerial fireworks. If you see or hear illegal fireworks, you may call the Monroe County Sheriff's Office at 911 to report the incident.



# ROTARY FOOD DRIVES END FOR THE SUMMER; SAVE THE DATE FOR OCT. 2 DRIVE

The Rotary Club of Pittsford monthly food drives have been suspended for the summer months; the next

Rotary Food Drive will be Saturday, October 2, 9:00am to noon. Watch for a reminder in the Town eNews in September. The Pittsford Food Cupboard continues to operate every week on Tuesdays and Fridays. Hunger is very much a reality for many people, and the Food Cupboard continues to need your donations. To make a donation and for more information about the Pittsford Food Cupboard visit www.pittsfordfoodcupboard.net.

#### 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

- <u>Town Summer Concert Series</u> featuring blues with Teagan & Lou, Friday, 7/9, 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>Red Cross Blood Drive at Pittsford Community Library</u>, Friday, 7/16, 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
- <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

- Environmental Board, Monday, 7/5 NO MEETING due to July 4 holiday
- Town Board, Tuesday, 7/6, 6:00pm, Public Meeting Room, Town Hall (lower level), 11 South Main Street, ASL interpretation provided; the meeting agenda is posted at least two days prior to the meeting on the Town website here: www.townofpittsford.org/minutes

#### **COMMUNITY MEETINGS CALENDAR**

- 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, 7/10, 9:00 - 10:00am, Fisher Meeting Room (first floor), Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street. Please note current COVID-19 health guidelines will be followed.
- <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 www.pittsfordartgroup.com or contact PAG president Margie Mitchell

# **COVID-19 Closure Updates**

On June 15, 2021, Governor Cuomo announced that COVID-19 restrictions are lifted immediately as 70 percent of New Yorkers aged 18 or older have received the first dose of their COVID-19 vaccination series. The State's health guidance and New York Forward industry specific guidelines—including social gathering limits, capacity restrictions, social distancing, cleaning and disinfection, health screening, and contact information for tracing—are now optional for retail, food services, offices, gyms and fitness centers, amusement and family entertainment, hair salons, barber shops and personal care services, among other commercial settings.

Unvaccinated individuals continue to be responsible for wearing masks, in accordance with federal CDC guidance. Consistent with the State's implementation of the recent CDC guidance, masks are still required for unvaccinated individuals.

For information on the vaccine, on getting the vaccine, regional vaccination data and more visit the <u>Finger Lakes COVID-19 Vaccine Hub</u>.

## 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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