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### Mayor's Message...

Welcome to the spring issue of the Village of Fairport Newsletter. We would like to share highlights of activities the Village staff and Elected Officials have been working on.

The Bicentennial Canal Gateway Project - Part one was completed along the southwest bank of the Erie Canal last fall and construction of part two on the northwest bank has begun. Look for most of the project to be completed in the Fall of 2021. More information can be found about the project on <a href="https://www.village.fairport.ny.us">www.village.fairport.ny.us</a>

Fiscal Year 2021-2022 General Fund Budget, Sewer Fund Budget and the 2022-2031 Capital Plans - The Board of Trustees adopted the budgets at the April 12, 2021 Village Board Meeting. All Village Board Meetings are carried live and recorded via Zoom. To view the recorded meetings go to: <a href="https://vimeo.com/user15211576/videos">https://vimeo.com/user15211576/videos</a>

**Liftbridge Reconstruction Project** - Everyone wants to know when the Liftbridge will come down and be in place. While COVID-19 did not keep workers from working on the bridge, it significantly slowed the custom-made parts needed to safely refurbish the lift mechanisms. Village Staff is meeting weekly with the New York State Department of Transportation Project Managers and posting progress on the Liftbridge Reconstruction Project page: <a href="https://www.village.fairport.ny.us/quick-links/liftbridge-reconstruction-project.php">https://www.village.fairport.ny.us/quick-links/liftbridge-reconstruction-project.php</a>

For many of the summer events and concerts that normally occur in the Village, we'll have to take a wait-and-see approach for current state and local guidance. Keep checking the Village website for updates and news about the Farmers Market, Canal Days, and other events in the Village.

Warm wishes for a safe, healthy and happy summer,



# Fairport Adopted Budget - Fiscal Year 2021-2022

The Village of Fairport is pleased to present the 2021-2022 Adopted Budget to our residents. The Village continues a fiscally conservative approach to facilitating services in a manner that meets or exceeded its goals and desires to achieve a sustainable and service-oriented organization.



Fairport faced a challenging budget process with the current coronavirus pandemic negatively impacting financial markets and revenue streams at all levels of government throughout the country. With that said, the Village held expenditures flat in all departments and provided a responsible budget that continues to make significant investments in our community.

- The tax levy, the amount of revenue raised by taxes alone, will decrease by 2.09% or \$65,246.
- The Village tax rate will decrease by 0.18% for a rate of \$7.33 per 1,000 assessed valuation.
- The overall budget increased by a nominal 0.33% or \$23,098.
- For the average single-family homeowner in the Village, the average tax bill will decrease by \$2.56 for the fiscal year commencing June 1st, based on an average assessment of \$199,498. Should your assessed value be higher or lower, the average increase/decrease will fluctuate accordingly.

As part of the Village's robust capital program, residents will see new streets, sidewalks, and a new pedestrian corridor on Liftbridge Lane West. Also included, new docks and improved canal access on the North-West bank of the canal adjacent to the Liftbridge.

We are pleased to adopt a budget that is representative of the services and expectations that our community deserves while providing a competent budget that promotes integrity and fiscal restraint.

Should you have any questions regarding the Village Budget or would like additional information, please contact the Village Manager's Office at 585-421-3201 or visit our website at <a href="www.village.fairport.ny.us">www.village.fairport.ny.us</a>

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Board Meetings Village Board 2nd Monday of every month at 7:00 PM

Planning Board 1st Monday of every month at 6:00 PM

Zoning Board 4th Monday of every month at 6:00 PM

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# PLAN FAIRPORT

— A VISION FOR OUR FUTURE -

Progress is steadily moving forward toward the completion of the Village of Fairport Comprehensive Plan Update this summer. The community has been enthusiastic in sharing thoughts and ideas to visualize the future of the Village. The process began last summer at a kickoff meeting with Village staff along with meetings with local

stakeholders. The consultant team led by SWBR including Highland Planning and Urban Advisors conducted in-person and virtual surveys to collect thoughts and feedback from the community. Over 1,400 respondents provided their thoughts and feedback! This past fall, a visioning and goal setting workshop was held to present initial ideas and best practices concepts and to gather community thoughts on these concepts.



Following the workshop, the consultant team analyzed the feedback and existing conditions to make initial recommendations which included:

- Review of existing planning studies including the 2007 and 2012 Comprehensive Plans
- Assessment of changes that have occurred since 2007
- Updating environmental, demographic, and economic conditions
- Updating a Draft Vision Statement for the Village and corresponding planning goals
- Preparing draft land use recommendations
- Proposing improved pedestrian connections and trail enhancements/extensions
- Developing "What if?" development scenario concept plans and illustrations suggesting what implementation of land use recommendations might look like

On March 18th and 24th, these initial recommendations were presented to the community to make sure that the Comprehensive Plan Update was on the right track. These presentations were recorded and are available on the Village Website.

The SWBR team is now working on writing a draft of the Village of Fairport Comprehensive Plan Update and will present this later this Spring. Stay tuned for update announcements!

To find more information visit: <a href="www.fairportny.com">www.fairportny.com</a> or scan the QR code

# Fairport Farmers Market

The 2021 Farmers Market season will run **Saturdays, May 8 - November 20th** from **7AM to noon.** The Market is located off S. Main Street in the Village Landing/Bank of America parking lot. Parking is available across the street behind Village Hall (31 S. Main St.) as well as on-street parking areas. The Fairport Farmers Market features local produce, plants, food related services, and some prepared foods.



New this year will be Market Manager Beth Flannigan. Beth is a Perinton resident and ardent Fairport Farmers Market shopper. Beth grew up in the Bristol Hills, where she lived next door to her grandfather who was a farmer and milkman. At an early age, she was exposed to the hard work and the dedication it takes to grow food from start to finish. "Growing up, I learned nothing tastes better than locally grown fruit and vegetables."- Beth

Stop by and meet Beth while visiting the market this summer!

### Tax Collection Season 2021-2022

Tax Bills will be mailed out on June 1, 2021. Full payment is due by <u>July 1, 2021</u> and **no** partial payments are allowed.

The Village Clerk's office will accept payment as follows:

- By E-Check, Credit or Debit Card thru the online portal on the Clerk-Treasurer's page of the Village Website
- By Check via mail to Village Hall (receipt date determined by U.S. postmark)
- By Check <u>only</u> in the Village Drop Box located in front or back of Village Hall
- By Check via mail to our Bank's lockbox, Binghamton, NY
- By Check, Cash, Credit or Debit Card at the Village Office (Monday-Friday 8:30AM— 3:30PM)

On July 2, 2021, a 5% penalty will be applied, with an additional 1% for each month beginning August 1, 2021.

If you *Do Not* have escrow and have not received your tax bill by June 5, 2021, please call our office at (585) 421-3204 or (585) 421-3202







### Restorative Justice Initiative



The Fairport Police, in cooperation with Roberts Wesleyan College, has begun a new restorative justice initiative. The purpose of this program is the betterment of the offender, the victim, and the community in specific circumstances, through alternatives to arrest. The

Fairport Police has embedded a licensed mental health social worker to help coordinate this unique initiative, thereby aiding the police department with mental health issues within the Fairport community. The Roberts Wesleyan College Criminal Justice Department will continue to provide research, expertise, and analysts to develop an evidence-based process for this initiative.

The goal of the restorative justice initiative is to, "use a restorative justice model as a police-related or arrest-diversionary process. This process will focus on the rehabilitation of offenders through reconciliation with victims and the community at large."

This initiative allows for the victim to be more involved in the offender's path to corrective behavior and prevents crime related recidivism. The Fairport Police have already identified six cases that are being addressed through this process and hope to show success as we evaluate our efforts in conjunction with Roberts Wesleyan College.

The process for this initiative involves specific conditions for offender involvement (i.e. first time offender, non-violent petty offenses, juvenile offenders), a psycho-social assessment, developing an understanding for criminal conduct, development of conditions for offender to address, active monitoring by a social worker, and ultimately the offender's diversion from the court system.

It is important to note that this is not a "soft on crime" approach, but an accountability model with the onus and responsibility on the offender to restore themselves as a productive member of our community.



# Energy Efficiency Rebates

As a customer of Fairport Electric, you may be eligible for an energy efficiency rebate applicable to the purchase of certain appliances, heat pumps, lighting and other equipment. This rebate program managed by the Independent Energy Efficiency Program (IEEP) works for Fairport Electric as a member of the NY Municipal Electric Utilities Association.

The IEEP is a unique, creative, utility-focused, and technology-based organization, providing resources for a broad range of qualified energy efficiency projects and services to Fairport Electric.

Residential, commercial, and industrial customers are urged to take advantage of these energy efficiency rebates through this program.

For more information regarding the IEEP and to apply for any of the rebates available to Fairport Electric customers, please visit the Fairport Electric Department Page on the Village website or <a href="https://ieepny.com/">https://ieepny.com/</a>

#### Take Heed of Pollutants in Storm Drains

Storm drains lead directly to nearby water-bodies, so keeping lawn and yard care by-products and pool, fountain and spa discharges out of storm drains will reduce the amount of pollutants entering our local waters. As you perform your household chores, following the guide below will help improve and protect our local water quality.

### Lawn and Yard Care

- Mulch your leaves. Mulching returns nutrients to the soil and saves the time and work needed to rake and dispose of leaves.
- Sweep up lawnmower clippings from your driveway and adjacent roadway to prevent them from entering storm drains.
- Never dispose of yard waste in a storm drain.
   Keeping storm drains clear of leaves and debris will help reduce localized flooding during rainfalls.



- State law requires fertilizer landing on impervious surfaces, such as driveways, roadways and sidewalks be immediately cleaned up and applied to the lawn or containerized.
- State law prohibits the application of fertilizer on lawns between Dec. 1 and April 1.

#### Household Hazardous Waste

• Dispose of old or unwanted fertilizers, pesticides, pool chemicals and other household hazardous waste properly, such as at Monroe County's Ecopark. Call (585) 753-7600 (option 3), or go to http://www.monroecounty.gov/hhw

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### 2021 Refuse Collection Schedule

For more information regarding the Village's Refuse Collection Program: Call the Department of Public Works (585) 223-9500

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**Special Refuse Collection Days** Holiday Commercial Refuse/Recycle Special - See

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Holiday Collection Schedule: If a holiday occurs Monday - Thursday, refuse will be collected one day later than the scheduled collection day following the holiday unless otherwise noted.

Fourth of July: Commercial refuse and recycling collection scheduled for Friday, July 2nd will be collected on July 1st. Labor Day-Friday: Commercial refuse and recycling collection scheduled for Friday, September 3rd will be collected on

Thanksgiving: Thursday residential refuse collection scheduled for November 25th and Friday commercial refuse and recycling scheduled for November 26th will be collected Wednesday, November 24th.

Bulk Refuse and Yard Waste Collection: From April - November bulk waste is collected every week. From December to March, bulk waste is collected as weather and operations allow. No contractor debris will be collected and bulk waste piles should not exceed 4 ft. high by 4 ft. wide by 8 ft. long.

## 2021 Village Hall Closings

May 31, 2021 Memorial Day Impacts Collection of Residential Garbage

July 2 & July 5 Independence Day

Impacts Collection of Residential & Commercial Garbage

September 3 & 6 Labor Day

Impacts Collection of Residential & Commercial Garbage

October 11 Columbus Day Impacts Collection of Residential Garbage

November 11 Veterans Day Impacts Collection of

Residential Garbage November 25 & 26

Thanksgiving Impacts Collection of Residential & Commercial Garbage

December 24 Christmas Eve Closed at Noon

December 27 Christmas Observance

Impacts Collection of Residential Garbage

December 31 New Years Eve Closed at Noon



## Office of Community + Economic Development (OCED) Porch Grant

Fairport's front porches provide a great place for entertaining and getting to know our neighbors. OCED offers a *Front Porch Grant* Incentive program that makes it more affordable for homeowners to renovate or upgrade their porches to enhance their homes and neighborhoods.

The *Front Porch Grant* Incentive program encourages exterior preservation, restoration, rehabilitation or construction of front porches. Launched in the Deland Park neighborhood in 2018, the program was expanded Village wide in 2019. The program now includes both owner-occupied and non-owner-occupied residential properties which are owned by Village residents. The matching grant program provides up to \$2000 for renovations that are compatible with traditional style and details appropriate to the original home. Through 2020, OCED has approved Front Porch Grants to 30 homeowners and awarded more than \$52,000.

For more information and the application, please see the OCED website at www.fairportoced.org