

Village of Yorkville

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FROM THE MAYOR

Residents of Yorkville,

I hope this finds each one of you and your families well as we continue to navigate through these unprecedented times. We are all experiencing a new 'normal' and will be continuing to do so until we see the cases of COVID-19 decline significantly. The Village has had to make a few changes in order to promote social distancing. Under a directive from New York State, the park is closed until further notice, and the Village Offices are closed to visitors. If you need assistance please call 315-736-9391, leave a message and your call be returned promptly.

Although the park and Village Offices are closed, the employees of the Village are committed to providing all residents the same essential services we have in the past. The Police Department is fully operational and as always, is there for you 24 hours a day 7 days a week. The Highway department is also fully operational and bringing you the same services of green waste, trash and recycling pick up. We will have two bulk trash pickup days, the first one being Friday, May 29th. We will finish the season with the second bulk trash pickup on Friday, September 25th. Both bulk trash pickups are fully funded by the sale of Yorkville trash bags. You must participate in the Yorkville bag program to be able to participate in the bulk trash pickup.

We are excited to announce that after securing a grant, the Restrooms at the Municipal Building are being remodeled and will now be in compliance with ADA guidelines.

We would like to say thank you for the donations of Personal Protective Equipment that we have received. We, like everyone else have been experiencing limited quantities of these items, and the donations are greatly appreciated.

In the midst of this Pandemic the Village of Yorkville passed the 2020-2021 budget at a Public Hearing, that was held on April 7th, upstairs in the firehouse while adhering to all social distancing guidelines. The new budget does not include a Village tax increase. The tax rate remains the same at \$12.22 per thousand. The budget included money for a new Police Cruiser and a LED sign at the Municipal Building. Unfortunately, at this time, we must consider that there will be a significant financial impact across the state and have placed these and other expenditures on hold.

In closing, I would like to thank the many essential workers who are working hard to keep us moving forward during these difficult times. Remember, this is the time to check in on family members and neighbors. Our senior citizens are at a greater risk if they contract Coronavirus. Please stay safe and continue to practice social distancing. "Stay apart now so we can be together later." We will get through this together.

Sincerely,

Michael A. Mahoney
Mayor

COVID-19 Information

Oneida County Hotline
315-798-5431

Oneida County Help Line
315-798-5439

<https://ocgov.net.health/coronavirus>
<https://ocgov.net/health/coronavirus.com>

Mayor

Michael A. Mahoney
Chief Financial Officer
Oversees all Department
Including police

Deputy Mayor

James G. Collea
Oversees the Highway

Department, and the Codes and Zoning departments.

Court and control audits in all
financial departments.

Trustee

David J. Morosco
Oversees Fire Department,
Loss prevention Chair

Trustee

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VILLAGE OF YORKVILLE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Please keep this page handy to refer to throughout the season. If you have any questions please feel free to contact the highway department at 315-724-2313

TUESDAY- Starting in April and ending when we have the first significant snowfall, green waste is collected. Please place green waste in containers and have it out by 6AM on Tuesdays. Branches under five feet in length will be collected. **Please put the branches so that they are parallel with the street and can be easily picked up by our equipment.** If you have a contractor cut your tree(s) they are responsible for removal.

SPRING LEAVES- will be picked up **Starting in April thru September.** Leaves must be in containers and will be picked up with green waste.

FALL LEAVES- will be picked up from September until the first major snowfall. Leaves must be put at the curb loose. Please do not put leaves in the roadway. The leaves will be picked during the week with no set daily schedule.

WEDNESDAY- recyclables are collected. **Per Village Law, please place all recyclables in a container with a secure lid, not exceeding 40 pounds. The lid will prevent items from blowing out and littering our Village. If there is a container without a secure lid, you may be subject to a court appearance and fine.** The following items are NOT recyclable and will not be picked up, soda and beer cases, hard cover books, napkins and paper plates, tissue paper and construction paper. These items can be placed in a gray Yorkville trash bag with regular garbage. No container should be over the size of 32 Gallons.

THURSDAY- Garbage is collected. Please put all trash in a gray Yorkville garbage bag not to exceed 40 pounds. All garbage bags must be tied. Any item not in a gray Yorkville bag will not be picked up.

LARGE TRASH ITEMS- If you have a large trash item and it will not fit in a Yorkville bag, please call the Village Clerk's Office at 315-736-9391 to make arrangements for a tag for removal. There will be a small fee for disposal depending on the item. Any items that do not have a tag will not be picked up and will be RED tagged with a fine.

As stated in the Code of the Village of Yorkville Chapter 75 – Garbage, Rubbish and Recyclables

Recyclables and Garbage can be put out NO EARLIER than 6PM the night before pickup, and NO LATER than 6AM the designated day of pick up. Items put out late will not be picked up. The items will have to be removed from the curb and will be picked up the following week. Containers used for green waste, garbage, and recyclables need to be removed from the curb by 8PM on the day of pickup. This includes containers used by private haulers.

VILLAGE WIDE HEAVY TRASH PICK UP- Village wide heavy trash pickups will be **Friday, May 29th** and **Friday, September 25th.** You must be an active participant in the gray Yorkville garbage bag program to be able to participate in the heavy trash pickup. The heavy trash pickup is funded by the sale of Yorkville bags. **The policy for the trash pickup is 4 containers and 2 large items per family and will be strictly enforced.** No loose items, other than the 2 large items will be collected. All items for removal MUST be placed into a container. Items not in a container will NOT be collected. All items must be placed at the curb by 6AM. No container should be over the size of 32 Gallon.

VILLAGE ROLL OFF/DUMPSTER SERVICE- The Village offers the service of renting a dumpster for large trash collection. There is a \$50.00 cash fee for the dumpster to be delivered and removed. The tipping fee for disposal is extra and a cash deposit of \$250.00 is required at the time pick up to cover this fee. If the tipping fee is less, you will be given the remainder of the \$250.00 deposit.

GARBAGE BAGS- The Village Board has decided to increase the cost of garbage bags. The cost of these bags has not been increased in 4 years. The cost of a small bag will now be \$2.37 an increase of .20cents. The cost of a large bag will be \$2.93 an increase of .10cents. The increases will take place on July 1, 2020. Garbage bags are available at the following locations: Cliff's Markets, Chanatry's, Holland Farms, Parkway Drugs, Rite Aid, Sam's Mini Mart, and Speedway. The Village of Yorkville does not pay for garbage tipping fees through its annual budget. The fee of the bags covers the cost of the weekly garbage disposal and two heavy trash pickup days.

RED TAG SYSTEM- Any item that does not follow the above guidelines shall be Red Tagged and picked up by the Highway Department. The owner of the property will be billed for removal. In the event that the bill remains unpaid, the balance will be added to the property taxes.

FROM THE CODES DEPARTMENT

The Codes department would like to remind you that a building permit is required for any pools, decks, additions or fencing done in the Village of Yorkville. If you have a question regarding permits needed, please call our Senior Codes Officer, George Farley for information @ (315) 765-9939. Please remember to install smoke alarms and carbon monoxide alarms in your homes and test them regularly.

Please make sure that you have your property labeled with the street number and visible from the street. The numbers should contrast with the background they are on. This will make it easier for emergency responders to find your residence.

FROM THE ZONING DEPARTMENT

Grass on an improved property in the Village must be maintained and cut at least every two weeks. Grass on vacant lots must be cut at least four times per year, on or before June 1st, July 1st, August 1st and September 1st. If a property owner fails to cut their grass, the Village Highway Department will cut the grass and the owner will be billed for our work; with a minimum charge of \$150 up to \$500. If the invoice is unpaid, the expense will be added to the owner's tax bill in June as a lien. Prior notice is always given, we are not responsible for unclaimed notices. Once the grass is cut, the bill is owed. Please take the time to keep your properties tidy, as we all benefit from this action.

MONTHLY MEETINGS

- **Village Board of Trustees** – 1st Tuesday of each month at 6 PM.
- **Zoning Board of Appeals** – 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7 PM. **Meetings are held in the Board Room of the Municipal Bldg.**
- **Yorkville Seniors** – 3rd Wednesday of the month at 1 PM. Upstairs in the Community Room.

YORKVILLE VILLAGE COURT

Court is open every Monday excluding Holidays. The court doors open at 11:00AM with the entrance located on Sixth St.

Fines can be mailed to:

Yorkville Village Court
P.O. Box 203
Yorkville, NY 13495



or they may be paid in person on **MONDAYS ONLY** - when court is in session.

The Village clerk's office can not assist you in any matters of the court.

VILLAGE WIDE GARAGE SALES SEPTEMBER 18, 19 AND 20TH

Stormwater Hotline:

315-724-2313

The stormwater hotline is provided for the public to call and report storm water quality problems. We all must keep the water we drink clean, it's the only water we have. A reminder: wipes should never be flushed, even if they say flushable. Quite often when sewers back up, the culprits are wipes. For more information please visit their web site at:

www.RippleEffectOCSD.org

Each year the Village is required to submit a report to show that we as a Village are conscientious about conserving water. This is showcased in a MS4 Report published by New York State, that report can be viewed on the Village Web Site.

FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Please remember to check the batteries in your smoke / carbon monoxide detectors. Change your batteries twice a year. When it is time to replace your detector (10 years from manufactured date) replace them with a 10-year maintenance free detector. Placement of the detectors can be found on the Department of State web site under Division of Building Standards and Codes, click on 'free online codes'. Anyone who has any questions or complaints regarding noncompliance is asked to contact the Village Fire Inspector at 315-736-9391.

The annual fund drive will be taking place in May. Residents and businesses will receive fund drive letters in the beginning of May, and we ask residents and businesses to mail your donation to:

Yorkville Fire Department
P.O. Box 95 • Yorkville, NY 13495

There is also a drop box in the front of the Fire Station. We appreciate your continued support.

Anyone who is interested in joining the Fire Department is encouraged to contact the Fire Department at (315) 736-1523 or the Village Clerk at (315) 736-9391, for questions on how to join or questions regarding becoming a member. You must be 16 years old or older to join.

The Annual Chicken BBQ is tentatively scheduled for June 14, 2020 from noon until sold out. Because of COVID-19 and social distancing this date may be subject to change, please stay tuned to the Yorkville Fire Department Facebook page for updates.

DOG OWNERS

Oneida County Law requires all dogs to be licensed and vaccinated for rabies. Dog licenses can be obtained from the Whitestown Clerk's Office at 8539 Clerk Mills Road, Whitesboro.

SENIORS ORGANIZATION

The Yorkville Seniors is open to all seniors 55 years or older. Their meetings are held upstairs in the Municipal Building on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 1PM; an elevator is available. Socializing, bingo, coffee and dessert are always on the menu! Several trips and parties are scheduled throughout the year. Dues are \$10.00 per year. Treat yourself!!! If you have any questions, please contact Paul LaBella, President of Yorkville Seniors at 315-336-2862.

DEPT OF HEALTH

Oneida County Dept. of Health would like us to remind residents that feeding wildlife is discouraged. Each year we hear of several cases of rabies in the area. **Please do not** throw food on your lawn, it draws nuisance animals and is considered littering. We do not want to invite the wrong kind of animal to our neighborhood, like skunks, feral cats or rodents. These animals can also carry rabies, and endanger ourselves, our children and our pets.

SOLID WASTE NEWS

The Oneida-Herkimer Solid Waste Authority Facility is open to the public now through September 30th. Paint, chemicals, pesticides and electronic devices are accepted for disposal at their Leland Ave. site. The Village is not responsible for disposal of these items. Please call them at 315-733-1224 for details or visit their website www.ohswa.org for more info.

FROM THE YORKVILLE VILLAGE POLICE DEPARTMENT

With the anticipated coming of warmer weather, the Police Department would like to take this opportunity to remind Village residents of important local laws and home and property protection tips.

Parking: Yorkville is an older Village established in 1902 when most homes did not have any vehicles let alone the 2-3 that most homes have now.

- Parking on Village Streets is prohibited between 2AM and 7AM throughout the year.
- Off street parking in residential districts shall be permitted only in a designated driveway located in the side or rear of the parcel that leads to a garage or parking lot.
- Parking on, or across sidewalks is prohibited.

Please note: We do understand that there may be times when as a result of vehicle problems, family gatherings, or other similar situations, that compliance with parking regulations may not be possible. Should such circumstances arise, please notify the Police Department so that short term permissions may be granted, and no tickets will be issued.

Residence Checks: If you plan on being away from home for more than a few days, please contact the Department and we will be more than happy to have patrols check your residence while you are away.

Thefts/Scams: PLEASE remember to remove – or at least

hide- valuables when your vehicle will be parked or otherwise unattended.

Keep Garage doors and storage sheds locked when not in use.

Make it a point to note the make, model and serial numbers of any valuable items you may have in or around your home and, if possible, photograph them.

Do not let strangers into your home to “use the bathroom,” “get a drink of water” or “check your utilities”. Thieves sometimes work in pairs, and one will distract you while the other one may be rummaging through your property. Similarly, be leery of contractors who show up at your door and offer you a deal on home improvements. Please notify the Police Department if you experience any unwanted or suspicious solicitations.

Lastly; the IRS and other Government Institutions never solicit unpaid debts and fines over the phone. This a growing scam, when you receive phone calls asking you to wire money or face arrest. If you are unsure of the call, first let them know that you would like to speak to the Police first, chances are they will disconnect the call.

The Police Department has a Facebook page and encouraged residents to follow us. The page is updated regularly and monitored by our Officers. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to send us a message and an Officer will get back to you. Another way of contacting the department is by email at pcollea@yorkvillepolice.org. All emails are kept confidential and is one way of passing along helpful information to help us combat crime.

Have a Safe Summer!

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