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## From the Supervisor... Paying for the new Library

Last year during the public hearings for the proposal to fund and build a new library, they talked about how it was going to mean an increase to your taxes. They even suggested a rough estimate: the cost of a pizza.

They weren't far off. Taxes are going up, as promised, and as passed by a 2-to-1 margin. The amount will be

roughly \$28.39 per \$100,000 of assessed value, almost all of which is due to the bond costs and increased operating expenses for the new library. Although a small portion is due to the inability to offset budget increase with available fund balances as those have largely been depleted.

In fact, between cost savings and holding down expenses, if we did not have to fund the new library costs and had the same level of fund balances as were available from 2017, your taxes would be going DOWN by \$18.49 per \$100,000 of assessed value. But sadly, we do not have the fund balances available, and happily, we are building a new library, and so taxes are going up. It's not something I'm happy about, but it is the reality of the situation we are in based on spending from prior years and based upon the vote to fund and build the new library. Some wanted to further drain down the fund balances, but I, and 3 of the 4 board members, believe that would have put the town at financial risk and possibly increased bond costs.

But it isn't all bad news. We have cleaned up some of the bad past practices regarding sewer budgeting and as a result of that, combined with the great efficiency our Sewer Department gives us, we are going to be lowering the amount of the residential sewer rate by \$20.12 per unit (household).

There is a lot more on the 2019 budget inside.



#### Protecting the future of the Town

In addition to all the budget work, we have also been hard at work on the Comprehensive Plan Update, which will incorporate the recently completed Farmland Protection Plan, East River Road Corridor Study, and Multi-Dwelling Zoning Analysis, as well as the previously completed Active Transportation Plan. All of these are being rolled up into major changes to our Zoning Codes and Comprehensive Plan in order to better protect the future of the Town.

To turn this into law, we have started a Generic Environmental Impact Study or GEIS. We are currently in the Draft GEIS phase. Unfortunately, this process got a bad name as a result of the Southwest Quadrant DGEIS, but please do not confuse the process with the target of that process. The Southwest Quadrant DGEIS was looking at the possibility of developing in the Southwest Quadrant. The Comprehensive Plan Update DGEIS is looking at protecting AGAINST development in the Southwest Quadrant, as well as protecting against multi-dwelling apartment complexes from appearing in unwanted locations throughout Town thanks to them being allowed in industrial zones or the thresholds for the necessary special use permits being too low.

To make sure future apartment complexes only appear in areas where they can be supported, we have strengthened the approval process, including a list of factors the Board must consider when it receives a special use permit request. In addition, to try to help spur redevelopment of some of the Town's older or tired retail sections, we have created multi-use overlay districts that would allow developers to build apartments on top of retail shops in areas like South Town Plaza, Market Place Mall, and along the East Henrietta commercial corridor. Rather than paving new ground under to build apartments, we would rather see vacant buildings being repurposed or knocked down and rebuilt into apartments.

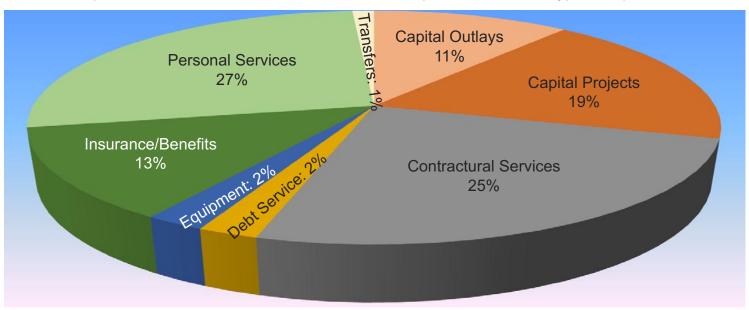
South of the thruway, we are combining the two rural residential districts into a single district and limiting the development density based on whether there are water and sewer utilities and whether it is inside or out of an agricultural district/prime agricultural soil area — areas with no utilities or that are inside an ag district would have decreased development density allowed. But we also understand that small farms are struggling to survive in today's market of large industrialized farms. So we are doing what we can to help support them, and that includes allowed supplemental farm income, such as from large scale solar arrays (provided they are not on prime soil) or agritourism and other similar businesses. Please note that due to time constraints of needing to complete this process prior to the end of the multi-dwelling moratorium, the actual rules on allowed large solar arrays have not been completed and will be worked on in January, but our vision is NOT to have them blanket large portions of Town.

As my first year in office winds to a close, I want to thank all of the people who have helped make all of the work we do possible, especially my staff and employees, but also the countless residents who get involved in their Town government, whether through committees, public hearings, social media, and other. Your input is essential for good governance.



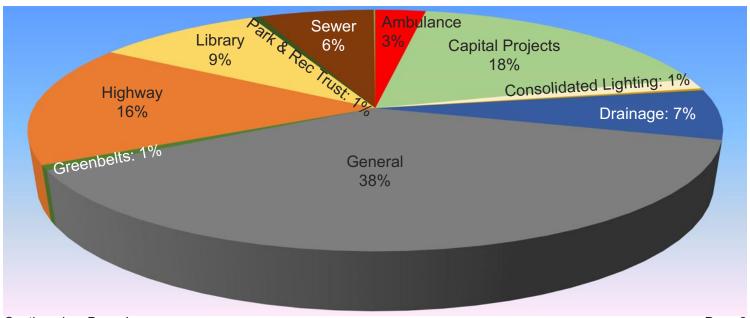
The Town budget lays out the planned expenses and revenues for the Town in the coming year. Some expenses are known, such as salaries, health care, and any governed by set contracts. Others are estimated based on previous years, such as overtime, fuel, and road salt. And capital expenses are largely determined by choice: that is, what aging infrastructure are we replacing, such as highway maintenance vehicles (outlays), or what major projects have we undertaken, like the library (projects).

This chart represents the breakdown of the Town's 2019 expenses, based on type of expenditure:



Contractual Services covers all of the services we use, such as utilities, software licensed, etcetera as well as review and inspection pass-throughs to the developers whose projects are being reviewed or inspected. Debt Service is what we are paying on the bonds we have taken out to fund the new library.

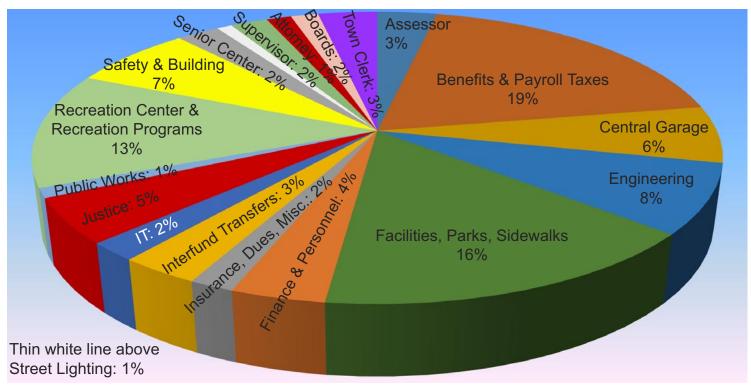
The Town is organized by funds, covering things like sewer, library, highway, and the catch-all: general. This chart represents the breakdown of the Town's 2019 expenses based on fund:



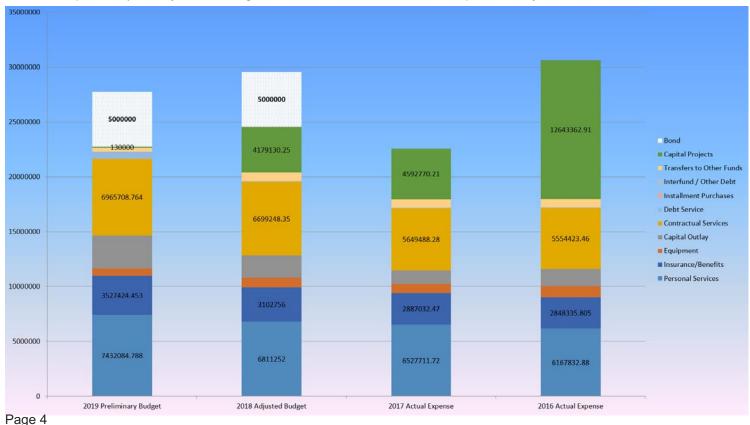
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The General Fund is where any of the non-fund-specific departments (highway, sewer, library, etcetera) operate. The chart below further breaks down the expenses within the General Fund:



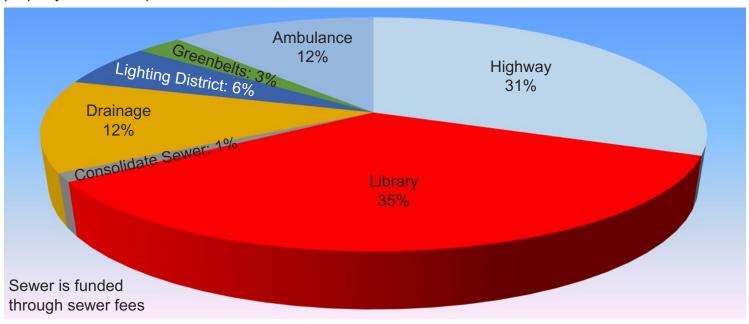
As you can see, by comparing expenses to previous years, other than the bond (which is not part of the normal expenses), this year's budget is one of othe lowest in the past four years.



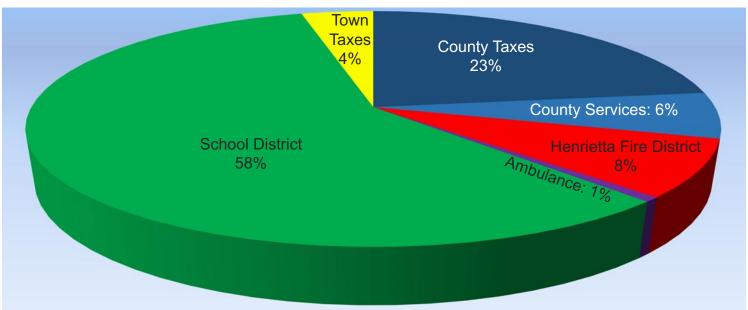


Once expenses have been determined, the Town needs to generate revenues to match. Revenues come from three primary sources: Sales and Mortgage Taxes, Service Fees, and Property Taxes. Sales and Mortgage Taxes and Services Fees are estimated based on previous years. The remainder is then levied from Property Taxes. To keep from having to raise too much, available fund balances can be used to lower the amount needed to be raised by Property Taxes. The problem is, those fund balances also represent a contingency in the event of unexpected costs (a fire, or a harsh winter, or a steep increase in fuel costs), costs that may or may not come in (such as the five pending lawsuits against the Town from years past), or decreased revenues (due to a recession affecting Sales or Mortgage Taxes).

Only 28.9% of the Town's revenues come from Property Taxes. Below is a breakdown of where those property taxes are spent:



The Town's Property Taxes overall, represent only 4% of your combined Property Taxes. School is the largest component, followed by County, Fire, Town, and Ambulance:



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All rolled up, here is the summary of the 2019 Proposed Budget, which was presented at a Public Hearing on Wednesday, November 14, 2018, and adopted by resolution 4-1. The sole dissenter believed the budget was very strong from a "keeping expenses down" stand-point, but believed more should be applied from the fund balances in order to reduce the amount of the tax increase. The four in the majority believed that to do so would have (a) put the Town into financial risk due to much lower than recommended contingencies, (b) could have lowered our bond rating, thus increasing our percentage rate, for the second half of the library bonds which would mean significantly more expense in the long run, and (c) was not sustainable since we would not have had the revenue next year to again make a major offset from the fund balances.

With the 2019 Proposed Budget, as adopted, the expected fund balances will decline to 20% for General and a combined 14.2% for General/Library/Highway, which are the ones the Bond Rating Agency looks at. To bring the tax increase down to just a 2% increase in taxes, the expected fund balances would decline to 9.9% for General and a combined 8.27% for General/Library/Highway. We believed this would be dangerously low and could trigger a significant drop in our bond rating, costing us as much as \$40,000 per year for the next 30-years, or a total of \$1.2-million over the life of the bond.

Here is the Summary for the 2019 Proposed Budget, as adopted on November 14, 2018:

Code	Fund		Appopriations		Less: Estimated Revenues		Less: Fund Balance Applied		Amount to Be Raised By Taxes	
	GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS									
Α	General	\$	10,474,419	\$	9,774,419	\$	700,000	\$	-	
DA	Highway		4,508,317		1,927,355		545,830		2,035,131	
L	Library		2,566,163		70,900		200,000		2,295,263	
	Total Governmental Funds	\$	17,548,899	\$	11,772,674	\$	1,445,830	\$	4,330,394	
	SPECIAL DISTRICT FUNDS									
CM	Park & Rec Trust	\$	130,000	\$	-	\$	130,000	\$	-	
CSS	Consolidated Sanitary Sewer District		78,398		-		-		78,398	
M	Transportation District		25,000		1,400		23,600		-	
SD	Drainage District		1,866,399		3,500		1,030,000		832,899	
SL	Street Light District		386,060		100		-		385,960	
SM	Special Ambulance District		780,222		-		-		780,222	
SP	Special Greenbelts		187,553		500		10,000		177,053	
SS	Sanitary Sewer		1,773,824		1,425,824		348,000		-	
	Total Special Districts	\$	5,227,456	\$	1,431,324	\$	1,541,600	\$	2,254,532	
	Grand Total	\$	22,776,355	\$	13,203,998	\$	2,987,431	\$	6,584,926	

## Engineering — GIS and the Town of Henrietta

Municipal governments across the world, like the Town of Henrietta, are incorporating GIS into their daily workflow. For Town GIS Operator Jeremy DiFilippo and Town GIS Technician Catherine DuBreck (seen right with a GPS unit), GIS is their career. But what exactly is GIS?

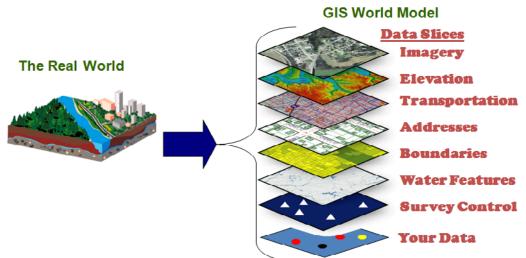
GIS stands for Geographic Information Systems; a tool we use to analyze data, find patterns, and assess trends to inform our municipal decision-making process. Geographic information includes a spatial component (e.g., where a certain parcel of land is located within the Town), and an attribute component (e.g., who owns that parcel of land, its property class type, etc.). The most basic output of a GIS is a map.

Our Town utilizes GIS in a number of different ways. We use it to create and update different Town wide maps showing our election districts, flood zones, sewer systems, streets, zoning districts, and more. We also use it in preparation for Town Board, Zoning Board, and Planning Board meetings. For these meetings, we use a tool within our GIS to create a distance buffer around each property on the agenda for that meeting. With this buffer, we can generate a map and mailing list of all the properties within that distance from the parcel in question, and mail out notice letters to each property owner about the upcoming meeting.



Another example of how the Town uses GIS is to keep track of our storm water ponds. From the Fall 2018 Newsletter, you may have learned that storm water ponds collect and store storm water runoff, preventing downstream flooding and improving water quality. Using recent ortho-imagery (or computer-compatible aerial photographs), we can trace each pond shape in our GIS to create a data file of Henrietta Storm water Ponds, and use other records to assign attribute information such as pond owner and type.

In the future, we would like to create an online web mapper for the Town website. It would include Town wide data as individual layers that can be clicked on/off depending on what you, the user, would like to see on the map. Additionally, we hope to create an interactive map displaying current and previous applications for Zoning Board of Appeals, Special Use Permits, and more. We envision this map to



display points showing the location of each application with all relevant information and documents available upon clicking, and would also like to create a similar interactive map for easements within the Town.

Questions? If you have any questions regarding the above or would like to learn more, feel free to contact the Engineering Department at 359-7070.

## 2019 Combined Town & County Tax Collection

If you are responsible for payment and have not yet received your tax bill by January 4th, please call (585) 359-7035 or email townclerk@henrietta.org to request a duplicate bill at no charge. You may also view the bill by visiting www.monroecounty.gov.

As a reminder, we honor postmark dates so if it is close to the deadline, make sure you walk your payment into the Post Office to ensure it gets postmarked. We do NOT honor "postage meter" marks. Payments can be made at the Town Clerk's Office by cash, check, or money order; please make all payments payable to "Receiver of Taxes, Henrietta". To pay with a credit card (3% convenience fee applies), please visit www.monroecounty.gov

The deadline for both first installments AND full payments is:

Monday, February 11th! (Since the 10th falls on a Sunday)

For complete payment information, please visit www.henrietta.org and click on "Tax Information" under the Quick Links on the right hand side.

### Frequently Asked Tax Collection Questions

#### Can I used my credit card to pay property taxes?

If you wish to pay with a credit card or electronic check, you may do so on the Monroe County website at www.monroecounty.gov and selecting "View/Pay Taxes Online." Then follow the prompts to retrieve your account information and make payment. Please note that there is a 3% convenience fee for all online payments using a credit card and payments using electronic check are charged a fee on a sliding scale based on the amount of the payment.

#### What information should I include on my check when paying property taxes?

The best number to include with your payment is the Account No., which can be found in multiple locations on your tax bill. It is comprised of two parts.

The account number looks like this:

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All properties in Henrietta have the same 6-digits Section, Block, and Lot number specific to your property, so this number, including the dots and dashes, is the best information to include with your payment to ensure it is applied to the appropriate parcel.

For more info, visit www.henrietta.org > Departments > Town Clerk's Office > Tax Bills and Payments Or call or visit the Town Clerk's Office in Town Hall, 585-359-7035

## Notes from the Assessor's Office



Exemption season is upon us. Some exemption renewals and new applications have already been mailed and others will be coming soon. If you are expecting a renewal or new application for an exemption and do not receive it by January 15th, please call the Assessor's office to inquire.

## All exemption applications and renewals are due back to the Assessor's office on or before March 1st, 2019. Don't delay, do it today!

New this year we have been hosting Limited Income Senior Exemption Outreach Sessions. This is an opportunity to learn about important administrative changes to that program for this year. The sessions have included an informative presentation with the remaining time used for answering any questions and assisting with your application. The final session will be held Saturday, January 19th from 10:00am to 11:00am at the Henrietta Town Hall.

Amy Jorstad, Town Assessor Office Phone Number: 585-359-7032

### **Attention Dog Owners!!!**

As a reminder, beginning January 1, 2019, if you renew a dog license after it expires, there will be an additional surcharge due:

If license is renewed within 45-days after expiration: **\$5.00** 

If license is renewed more than 45-days after expiration: \$50.00

Due to costs involved with late dog licensing, this will enable us to recover those costs while keeping our dog license fees the same for residents who renew their dog licenses on time.

As always, if you have any questions, or if you receive a notice and your dog is no longer a member of your household, or you have moved out of Henrietta, please let the Town Clerk's Office know either by phone, at 585-359-7035, during regular office hours (Monday through Friday, 9 AM to 5 PM), or by email at townclerk@henrietta.org.

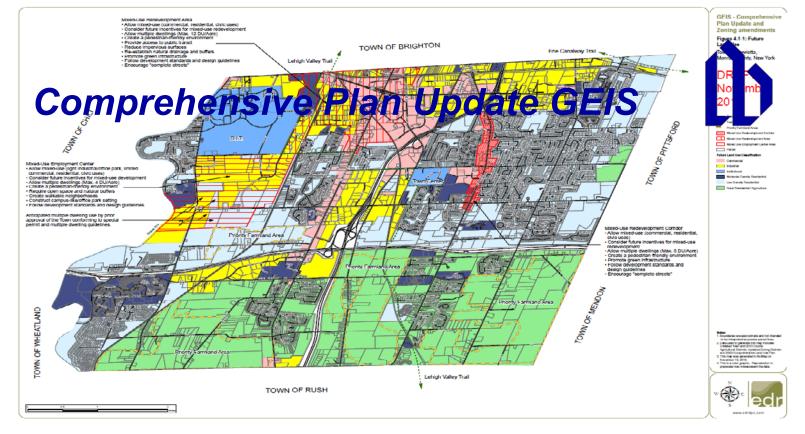
### 2019 Dog Park Permits

We are currently selling 2019 Dog Park Permits, which will be valid until 12/31/2019, for \$24 per dog. Membership to the Henrietta Dog Park will allow you to use all 4 dog parks in the Monroe County Dog Park system.

If you registered your dog(s) for the Henrietta Dog Park in 2018, you should have received renewal forms from Monroe County. Please note that if you wish for your dog park fees to stay here in Henrietta, you should renew at the Henrietta Town Clerk's Office or by mailing your renewal forms to us at: 475 Calkins Road, Rochester, NY 14623. To

renew, you must show a current dog license and rabies vaccination certificate in order to complete the dog park registration. Replacement access cards can also be purchased in our office for \$20.

For more information, please visit www.henrietta.org > Departments > Town Clerk > Henrietta Dog Park

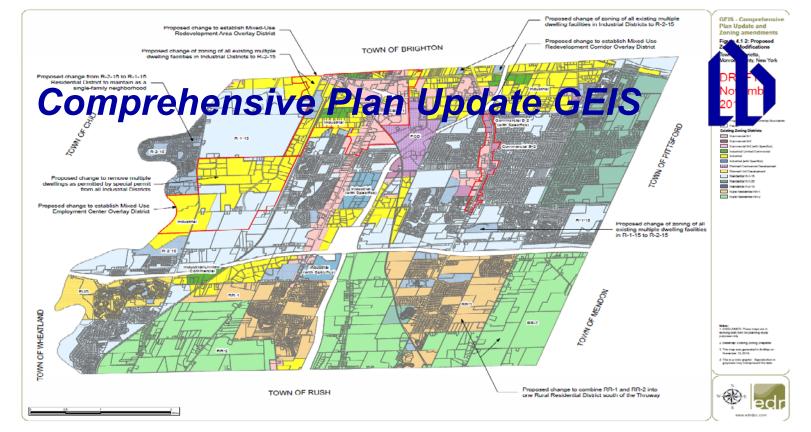


This past summer the Town of Henrietta began the environmental review process under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) for proposed modifications to and subsequent adoption of changes to our Comprehensive Plan, Zoning Ordinance, and Zoning Map. These changes will implement recommendations from the Town's Multiple Dwelling Zoning Analysis, Agricultural Development and Farmland Protection Plan, East River Road Corridor Study, and Active Transportation Plan. Public information meetings were held on June 7th and 14th to inform the community about proposed updates to the Comprehensive Plan and recommended changes to Town Code and the zoning ordinance.

Since 1975, all state, county, city, town and village legislative bodies, planning and zoning boards, agencies and other authorities must comply with SEQRA prior to implementing proposed actions like these, just as the Town has done for decades with other initiatives. Proposed actions can be physical projects such as construction and demolition, and administrative, such as adoption of regulations and procedures under local zoning. Potential effects on environmental resources need to be considered before any decisions are made to approve such actions. Resources typically considered include land, air, water, vegetation, wildlife, noise, air, cultural, transportation, agriculture, visual and community character.

The Town is proposing to modify the zoning ordinance to encourage mixed-use development and reuse of vacant and underutilized properties by allowing residential and non-residential mixed use in appropriate areas of the Town. Design guidelines and development standards are also intended to maintain and enhance community character. Some procedural changes are also being proposed. To help local agriculture remain economically viable, the Town is also considering allowing some changes in permitted uses in rural areas to enable farmers to supplement income.

The Henrietta Town Board is the lead agency responsible for carrying out the SEQRA process. The Town Board has determined that a Generic Environmental Impact Statement (GEIS) be prepared to assess potentially adverse environmental impacts resulting from proposed changes. A GEIS typically addresses future development as hypothetical scenarios to assess impacts since site-specific projects resulting from changes in regulations are uncertain. A range of uses within a mixed-use zone, likely types of development as well as the most intensive uses, and the natural and cultural resources of the area potentially affected will be identified in the GEIS. Criteria for project approvals and thresholds to manage future development will be addressed. The GEIS will identify ways to avoid or reduce potential impacts, if identified during the process.



There are opportunities for public participation in this SEQRA process. On November 14, 2018, the Town Board presented the Draft GEIS for the Comprehensive Plan Update to the Town. This begins a 30-day public comment period, including a public hearing to be held November 28, 2018. Printed copies of the Draft GEIS can be read at the Library, the Town Clerk's Office, and the Town Engineering Office. An electronic copy of the Draft GEIS can be found online at: <a href="http://www.henrietta.org/geis">http://www.henrietta.org/geis</a>

We encourage you to review the Draft GEIS and if you have any input, to submit it in written form to the Town Engineering Office, 475 Calkins Road, in electronic form to Chris Martin at cmartin@henrietta.org, or orally at the public hearing on November 28 or at the Town Board Meeting on December 12, 2018. The Public Comment Period ends on December 14 at 5:00 PM.

This has been the culmination of a multi-year effort in which the Town has been assisted in the process of preparing the GEIS by Environmental Research and Design (EDR). Once the public and agencies have reviewed and commented on the Draft GEIS, the Town will prepare a Final GEIS version that addresses all of the public input and identifies any potentially significant impacts from the proposed action, alternatives considered, and measures to avoid, reduce, or mitigate adverse effects. Once Findings have been filed by the Town Board and other involved agencies choosing to participate, the SEQRA process will be complete and proposed changes can be adopted.

Important dates to be aware of:

Wednesday, December 12th at 7:00 p.m. – Town Board Meeting – Pass resolution for Public Hearing for Local Laws

Friday, December 14th at 5:00 p.m. – Town Hall Closing – Deadline for receipt of public comments, Start FGEIS (Final Generic Environmental Impact Statement)

Wednesday, January 9th at 7:00 p.m. – Town Board Meeting – Public Hearing for Local Laws, Present FGEIS

Wednesday, January 23rd at 7:00 p.m. – Town Board Meeting – Issue FGEIS Finding Statement, Adopt Local Laws

If you have any questions about the process, please contact Peter C. Minotti, Deputy Town Supervisor and Planning Board Chairman, at pminotti@henrietta.org or at 585-359-7026.

# Building & Fire Prevention

Winter is Coming. The snow has already fallen. It's time to prepare for cold weather operations.



It's important to keep your driveay and sidewalks clear of snow and ice for your safety and that of any visitors to your property, including emergency personnel should the need arise. Also, don't forget to shovel out any fire hydrants on your property. Being able to quickly locate and connect to a hydrant can save lives and property.

For those of you that have a woodstove or fireplace, be sure to keep the flue clear and burn only seasoned firewood to reduce the amount of creosote traveling up the flue which can result in a chimney fire. It is a good idea to have your flue and chimney cleaned at least once a year. Also, if you have gas appliances, be certain to keep the vents clear of snow and ice to prevent a potentially deadly build-up of carbon monoxide in your homes.



Seasonal decorations, including lights, trees and wreaths, can help put your household in the holiday spirit. However, when not used properly, decorations—particularly lights—can create safety hazards or cause fires. Keep your family safe during the holidays. Prior to use, read the manufacturer's instructions for each item to understand how to use it properly. In addition, follow these best practices to ensure your holiday lights and decorations are installed correctly:

- 1. Double check lights for frayed wires or cracks, and be sure there is a bulb in each socket. Discard and replace damaged strands.
- 2. When decorating outside, keep ladders and decorations away from overhead power lines. Ensure the ladder is securely placed on the ground before climbing.
- 3. Lights should be approved by Underwriters Laboratory. "UL" will be clearly displayed on the tag, signifying the product has been inspected for potential safety hazards. Red UL marks indicate the lights are safe for indoor/outdoor use, and green UL marks indicate the lights are only safe for indoor use.
- 4. Do not hammer tacks or nails into the electrical cord when hanging lights. Instead, use clips to safely attach lights to the house.
- 5. Use heavy-duty extension cords, and only use cords outdoors if they are designated for outdoor use. Avoid

- overloading extension cords by using no more than three sets of standard lights per cord.
- 6. If possible, outdoor lights and inflatable decorations should be plugged into circuits protected by ground fault circuit interrupters (GFCI). GFCIs help prevent electric shock by breaking the circuit when differences in the currents of hot and neutral wires occur.
- 7. Use a timer or turn off lights before going to bed, or if you will be away from home.
- 8. For special ornaments that plug into a bulb receptacle, use no more than two per strand, or check the manufacturer's directions.
- 9. Indoor lights should not touch drapes, furniture or carpeting. Keep lit candles away from flammable items, too.
- 10. Prevent tripping by placing cords and decorations in low-traffic areas where they won't be walked on. Avoid twisting, kinking or crushing cords.

Additionally, if you have children in your home, use safety caps on all electrical outlets that are not in use to prevent shock. Keep sharp objects out of reach, as well as items that could be swallowed.

By taking the proper precautions both inside and outside of your home, you can prevent hazards and focus on friends and family during the holidays. Don't forget to periodically check lights and decorations throughout the season to ensure they continue to operate safely.



expect from the new building, so the planning team has scheduled a **New Building Update** presentation on **Thursday**, **January 31 at 7pm** in the current library's Community Room. We'll serve light refreshments, do a presentation, and then have time for your questions and conversation. We're excited to give you a sneak peek into our future!

Speaking of sneak peeks, something we're very excited about is the reading tree for our new Children's Room, a gift of art from RIT in honor of Henrietta's Bicentennial and the fiftieth anniversary of RIT's Henrietta campus. The student-designed piece features wood from a historic tree that fell on RIT's campus this past spring, giving it new life as a sculpture that adds visual interest to the Children's Room and creates a nook for children to explore and read in. A whole team of Town and RIT staff and students have been working for months to turn the students' vision into reality, and we're grateful to RIT for this partnership and their support of our new library.

Over the next several months, most of the work on the new library will be happening indoors, but as often as possible, we'll be posting photos of the library in progress on our Instagram, Facebook, and Twitter accounts. Also keep your eye on our web site (hpl.org) and sign up for our weekly email newsletter for additional updates.

Best wishes, Adrienne Pettinelli adrienne.pettinelli@libraryweb.org, 585-444-2301



#### Tinker Nature Park Fall 2018/Spring 2019 Schedule

Visit our updated website for Tinker Nature Park Events: https://sites.google.com/view/tinkerpark, or call: 585-359-7044

Tinker Homestead Tours by Appointment Tuesday – Saturday: 10am – 2pm

Hansen Nature Center is open Tuesday – Saturday from 9am – 4pm Closed Sunday, Monday and Holidays

Ski and snowshow rentals are available at the Hansen Nature Center as weather conditions permit. Rentals are for use in the park only and are on a first-come, first-served basis. Large groups must call ahead. Rentals are available Tuesday – Saturday from 9am – 3pm. Rental cost is \$3.00

Tinker Nature Park is open 7am – Sundown seven days a week.
Restrooms Available by the Calkins Rd. Parking Lot
Tinker Nature Park is a Carry in – Carry out Park.

Please remember pets are not allowed in Tinker Nature Park

#### Christmas Tree Recycling — January 12-13, 10:00am-2:00pm

Please bring a donation of a non-perishable food item for the R-H Area Food Terminal when dropping off a tree. Please remove plastic tree bags and twine. No wire wreathes.

#### Annual Easter Egg Hunt — April 13, Noon-3:00pm

For pre-school through 3rd Grade. Egg Hunt begins at 1:00pm SHARP! Registration is required. *Call Henrietta Recreation, beginning February 12, to register for this event: (585) 359-2540* 

#### Earth Day Celebration — April 20, 10:00am-2:00pm

Live Animal Program at 11:00am.

Presentations by RIT Environmental Science Students and Cornell Master Gardners

All programs are free and open to the public, but space may be limited.

#### The Monroe County Sheriff's Office asks that we remind everyone about safety when visiting local parks.

Deputies are aware of recent thefts from cars in Parks throughout Monroe County.

Visitors are reminded to not leave valuable items in their vehicles.

If anyone notices suspicious activity they are encouraged to call 911 to report it.

Visit or Follow Tinker Nature Park on Facebook



#### **GAMES AND CLASSES**

#### **CARDS**

Wednesdays 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Come try your hand at euchre, bridge, hand and foot, and much more!

#### **GAME TIME**

Wednesdays 1:00 p.m.

Play a different game each week such as Team Trivial Pursuit or Jeopardy.

#### **CRAFTS**

Tuesdays 10:00 a.m.

From beginner to advanced, a wide variety of projects.

#### **COMPUTER INSTRUCTION**

Mondays 10:00 a.m.

#### FITNESS PROGRAMS

Many classes, every weekday Young at Heart, Aerobics, Yoga and many more

#### **TRANSPORTATION**

Call for more information and to make a reservation:

585-334-4030

Pick up time: 8:30 – 10:30 Leave Center around 1:00

Don W. Cook Senior Center 515 Calkins Road Henrietta, NY 14467 585-334-4030



#### **Lunch Club 60**



Monroe County Senior Nutrition Program

> Monday – Friday 12:00 noon

Why not have lunch with us today? Enjoy a delicious, nutritionally balanced lunch with your friends for a reasonable donation.

Call for reservations: 334-4030

#### **IMPORTANT NUMBERS**

Monroe County Office for the Aging: 585-753-6281 Eldersource: 585-325-2800

Henrietta Senior Center: 334-4030 Fax: 585-359-7002 Email: srcenter@henrietta.org

Check us out online at www.henrietta.org
The Don W. Cook Senior Center is operated by the
Town of Henrietta Recreation Department in association with the Monroe County Office for the Aging,
NYS OFA and US Administration on Aging.
All working together for our greatest resource:
OLDER AMERICANS!



## **Winter Highway Policies**

As winter approaches, The Town of Henrietta would like to remind you of necessary rules and regulations that provide for your safety and for the safety of the traveling public on main roads and neighborhood streets within the Town of Henrietta during the winter season. We appreciate your cooperation.

The Henrietta Highway Department is responsible for snow and ice control on 458 lane miles of Town, County and State roads within the Town of Henrietta, with the exception of the NYS Thruway and I-390. We have added two trucks to the Highway fleet to help improve cycle time when plowing the roads, presently it takes us up to 5 hours to clear one pass on the road system. Our Department of Public Works is staffed twenty-four hours a day during the winter season and may be reached at 359-7005.

Our Highway Department follows the "Sensible Salting Guidelines" established by the County of Monroe, in conjunction with the Environmental Management Council. This requires us to use only enough salt to make our highways safe for motorists and requires motorists to reduce their driving speed according to road conditions. When following our plow trucks, please allow adequate distance between your vehicle and the plow trucks. These vehicles may make sudden maneuvers during their operation IE. Crossing into other lanes, making wide turns, moving slower than normal just to name a few. Drivers should never pass the plow trucks for their safety and ours.

The town receives many complaints about snow being pushed into their driveways by town trucks. Some incidents are unavoidable and we will be there to clean up our mess, others can be avoided if the contractor plowing private driveways would follow the tip for pushing and storing snow off the rights of way in the "Driveway Clearing" section below.



**Winter Parking**: In order to facilitate snow removal operations and eliminate potential hazards, the parking of vehicles on all highways within the Town, including the shoulders of the roads, is prohibited between the hours of 2:00 AM and 9:00 AM from November 1st to April 15th. Vehicles in violation of this ordinance are subject to a parking ticket (minimum \$50.00). Repeat violators or vehicles that prevent plowing of a street may be towed and the vehicle's owner will be responsible for all towing and storage charges incurred by the Town.

**Mailbox Policy**: The Town of Henrietta is one of a small number of towns that still repairs or replaces mailboxes damaged during snowplowing operations. Since there is no statutory or legal authority which grants an owner or resident the right to place a mailbox along a public road in the right-of-way, our repairs and replacements are done as a courtesy and must be limited to standard size steel rural mailboxes and steel pipe posts. Custom posts and mailboxes cannot be replaced with anything other than the standard



## Department of Public Works

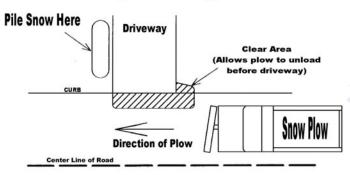
replacements. If you have an expensive and/or decorative mailbox or post, you may want to consider the option of storing it for the winter and replacing it with an inexpensive substitute. This decorative category also includes the one-piece plastic post and mailbox combinations, which are extremely susceptible to winter damage.

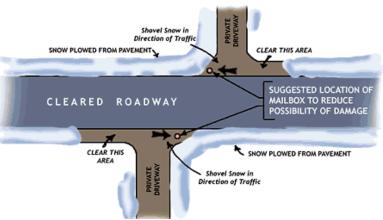
**Driveway Clearing**: When clearing your driveway of snow, please remember that New York State Law requires that the snow remains on your own property. Any snow pushed, blown, or plowed onto any street is a safety hazard and may result in tickets being issued under New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law. If your driveway is plowed by a private contractor, both the homeowner and the plow operator share the legal responsibility for compliance with these regulations. Thank you for assisting the Town in trying to ensure motorist safety during the winter months.



To reduce the chance of road plows pushing snow back into your driveway, we recommend you clear your driveways as follows:

#### **Driveway Plowing Policies**







**New Truck**: Henrietta continues to update its aging fleet with new highway trucks that can be used in both winter and summer. The latest addition is to the left, equiped with the snow plow and salt bin and already hitting the roads thanks to the snowstorm in mid November.



The Riverton Golf Club is now offering for the first time ever a full 18-Hole Disc Golf Course! Designer Michael J. Klock has turned an otherwise dormant parkland (Riverbend Park) into a beautiful and challenging disc golf course.

Riverton DGC is fully equipped with 3 sets of tee pads for all skill levels of play. Tee signs and directionals have also been installed to help you navigate the course easily. Efforts to elevate a few of the "Greens" are already underway. Pictured above is the #18 Tee. Pictured below is Basket #5 (left) and Basket #12, with designer, Michael Klock. The course is open to the public.

Disc Golf Greens Fees 18 Holes - \$5 Day Pass - \$8 Disc Golf Greens Fees with Golf Cart 18 Holes - \$12 Day Pass - \$20

Winter play is on a weather available basis. Please call ahead.

Riverton Golf Club 514 Scottsville - West Henrietta Rd, West Henrietta, NY 14586 Phone: (585) 334-6196





#### Fire Commissioner Election — December 13th

The annual election of the Henrietta Fire District shall be held on December 11, 2018, between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. at 850 Bailey Road, West Henrietta, New York 14586 for the purpose of electing one (1) Fire District Commissioner. The term of office for Commissioner Philip H. Mancini expires December 31, 2018. This is a five (5) year term of office commencing January 1, 2019 and continuing through December 31, 2023.





#### **New Vehicles In-Service**

Residents of Henrietta will start to see a couple new ambulances in the district. CHS recently took delivery on a set of twin ambulances each of which are outfitted with the latest features for patient comfort and caregiver safety. This acquisition will allow us to better serve the residents for years to come.

#### **Breast Cancer Fundraiser**

Lieutenant Jennifer Flickner organized a great t-shirt fundraiser which benefited the Wilmot Cancer Center. Thanks to her efforts as well as those who purchased a hot pink "One Team. One Fight" t-shirt, we raised over \$800!

#### 2017 Annual Report

CHS's comprehensive annual report was released over the summer. To view the full PDF, visit this URL: http://bit.do/chsreport





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This past October, the Town held a ceremony to bury the Bicentennial Time Capsule. Included in the information placed into the Time Capsule were letters from Rush-Henrietta elementary school children.