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From the Supervisor...

Welcome to the first newsletter of our new administration.

It's been a busy first four months – largely with quickly getting up to speed on running the Town. My predecessor was very helpful in my transition and that helped me hit the ground running. I had received a call from Deputy Supervisor Peter Minotti the day after the election and

from that day forward, I was at Town Hall every business day through the rest of the year, right up to my inauguration.

After meeting with and interviewing the folks who run the various departments in Town, I decided to keep the management team working for the Supervisor largely the same – with one notable exception. I wanted a full-time Finance Director – as I had learned from my experience starting a company, a good Finance Director is one of the most important ingredients in the success of any venture. Fortunately, I was able to convince Pictometry's Senior Vice President of Finance, Linda Salpini, to leave the corporate world and join the public sector. It required her to take a massive cut in pay, but I was fortunate in my timing in that she was ready to make a change.

Together, Linda and I have had to wrestle the finances and fiscal policies of the Town under control. There were some strange policies that we immediately set about fixing. For instance, a check to refund a \$6 overpayment of a dog license fee required two signatures. A check to transfer \$9-million in tax dollars to the Fire Department required only one signature. Since the Supervisor is authorized to make expenditures up to \$8,000 without Board Approval, we set the limit on the Town check accounts to require two signatures if the amount on the check exceeds that value.

From the Supervisor.

Linda also found numerous dormant bank accounts, some with significant balances, and consolidated them into an account that receives interest. She also worked to clean up long dormant capital or project expense lines and closed those up, returning the allocated amounts to the appropriate fund. And together, we went through and identified items that were incorrectly classified or appropriated, such as sidewalk repairs being charged to a sewer fund, and reversed or corrected them. Finally, as she wrapped up the 2017 Fiscal Year, she documented everything, put it together in a binder, and will have it for posterity so that future Finance Directors will be able to use it as a reference on the budget and reconciliation processes as so few of the fiscal practices were adequately documented.

We also made dramatic changes to the way we run meetings in Town. At our very first Town Board meeting, we removed the 2-minute limit on citizen's feedback and removed the associated time clock from the Meeting Room. We also removed the restriction that residents could only provide feedback at the end of a meeting and that it was one-way. Now, during nearly every portion of the meeting, we provide more information to the residents regarding the actions we are considering and allow them to provide feedback at that time. More importantly, if a resident asks a question, we do our best to answer it immediately, and we engage in meaningful conversations regarding the issues so that we are better informed and that our residents are better informed.

We will be taking that approach even farther at some of our meetings. The first time we did that this year was in February when we held a Public Forum on the Recreation Center where we solicited feedback regarding the Center, especially with respect to the summer operating hours. At the Organizational Meeting in January, there was a resolution put forth to approve the operating hours, including the summer hours. We were told the resolution was a bit of a change from the previous year in that they were looking to start the summer hours a little earlier in the year. What was not fully conveyed to the three new members of the Board, or if it was we missed it, was that the previous year the Board had voted down the resolution to have summer hours. As word of the looming summer hours spread, people started to complain. So we met with a number of the concerned residents and then held the public forum. After receiving great input, and taking a deep dive into the usage numbers, both from last summer and with comparisons of this year over last, we decided to not implement summer hours and instead will continue the full operating hours all year long.

In addition, we have begun plans to replace the current heating units on the roof with heating/cooling units so that we can have the cooling, and more importantly dehumidification, that air conditioning brings. Unfortunately, it is not an easy task since we must work within some tight confines dictated by the associated costs. The most cost effective method will be to replace the roof top units, but that means we are bound by the weight limits based on the structural steel today. We also are somewhat limited by the current roof openings as any system we install would need to adapt those openings and while some small changes are possible, a system that required a significant alteration of the opening or ductwork would not. But we have met with HVAC experts and have a technical solution. After figuring out how we were going to pay for it, we put the proposal out to bid, and have awarded a contract to have air conditioning by early July.

The last major change planned for the Recreation Center is that we are looking to bring in some exercise equipment for installation along the south side of the upper track. We have identified the desired equipment, developed plans on how we can monitor their use, and have begun discussions on how we can find the funds to pay for the equipment, including the possibility of generating additional revenues to cover the cost, such as possibly raising the annual fee some for residents and more for non-residents.

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Of course the most visible change taking place is the start of construction on the new library. I've been heavily involved in this project since the day after the election and it has consumed a lot of my time, but I believe the end product will be worth it. Unfortunately, we ran into a snag almost immediately when we learned that the land being donated was not unencumbered – there was a right of first refusal and a mortgage that had to be cleared before the land transfer could take place. This naturally put a delay in the construction process since the first bids went out in November with an expected construction start at the end of December; however, the early message was the mortgage would not be cleared until April or May.

Fortunately, we were able to convince the winning bids for foundations and steel to extend their bid offers while we worked on completing the land transfer. We struck a compromise between keeping the project moving forward, thus trying to save construction costs, with being prudent with tax payer dollars in the event the land transfer never took place, by awarding the first two contracts once we were able to set a closing date but limiting expenditures to just design work until we actually owned the property. We then went through Herculean efforts to get the land transfer completed prior to March 1st to avoid the anticipated significant increase in steel prices. As of this writing, the foundations are nearly complete and the structural steel should start going up soon. We are all anxiously awaiting our new facility, which should open during the Summer of 2019.

I am sure the above surprises will not be our last, but fortunately, we have a good team of people working at the Town and together, we will get through them and continue to move the Town forward.

For those who use Facebook, be sure to subscribe to "Henrietta Highlights" as I have been very active on that page in order to convey as much information to the public as possible.



The Finance Team has completed the calendar year 2017 audit. The results show another strong year of growth in Sales Tax revenues from Monroe County, a strong year of Mortgage Tax revenues from Monroe County versus the prior years and an unexpected increase in fees related to commercial growth activities from the Budget. These three revenue lines contributed \$1.9M in increased revenues from the projected 2017 Budget, however, out-of-budget spending consumed those additional revenues.

Summary of the General Fund Balance — Analysis and Comparison to Prior Years

Town of Henrietta Fund Balance Summary

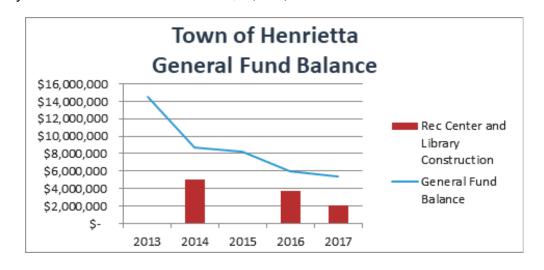
	2017	2016	2015	2014
General Fund Balance	\$ 5,344,350	\$ 5,969,897	\$ 8,245,499	\$ 8,727,309
Available for Spending at Town's Discretion	\$ 3,689,660	\$ 4,315,241	\$ 6,656,096	\$ 7,176,288
Net Increase (Decrease) from Prior Year	(\$ 635,547)	(\$2,275,602)	(\$ 481,810)	(\$ 5,779,931)

Projects Funded by General Fund During the Calendar Year

New Library - Construction Fees

Recreation Center Highway Equipment	\$ 1,029,391	\$ 3,700,000	\$ 5,000,000 \$ 410,000
Existing Library HVAC System		\$ 400,000	
Town Hall HVAC System	\$ 310,000		
New Library - Engineering Fees	\$ 245,000		

\$ 1,000,000



New Town of Henrietta Library

In November 2017, the construction of a new Town of Henrietta Library was approved with financing from the General Fund in the amount of \$2.5M and a bond in the amount of \$10M. The construction has begun! The Finance Team in conjunction with the Town Supervisor and Deputy Supervisor are working closely with all Town Departments and the Contractors to ensure judicious spending and adherence to our budget.



Construction is humming along on our new library at 625 Calkins Road, just to the east of the town Recreation Center. Drive by the site or take some time to get a good look at it from the windows of the elevated walking track in the Rec Center, and you'll see the outline of the building taking shape in concrete and steel. Behind the scenes, the planning team is looking at details. We're collaborating with RIT on a special project for the new Children's Room that will be unveiled at the town's Bicentennial Gala in September. Our librarians are creating memoir, mystery/thriller, and sci-fi/fantasy sections here that will move to the new library, making it easier for our genre readers to find the books they need. We're also actively seeking grant funds from a number of sources to keep project costs to taxpayers as low as possible. Our anticipated opening is late spring/early summer 2019. In the meantime, we're issuing monthly construction update newsletters, posting news and photos on our social media outlets (Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter), and including regular updates in our weekly e-mail newsletter (sign up at hpl.org).

While we're busy getting ready for our new building, we're also keeping our services strong here in our current library. This summer, the theme is FUN! Each week, we will be celebrating with activities inspired by themes, including music, animals, make-believe, cooking, fantasy, the environment, and books that changed our lives. We will offer a host of events, including a kick-off concert with Dave from the Jasper Stills, a family cooking competition, a visit from the beloved Elephant and Piggie characters, a Harry Potter Escape Room for teens, and an adults-only late night Game of Thrones party. We will also offer a summertime punch card, so every time kids, teens, or adults check out books or attend a program, they'll get a punch. Nine punches earns you a book of your choice to keep! Visit hpl.org for more details, and we'll look forward to seeing you in the library soon!

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The Town of Henrietta has just completed the East River Road Corridor Traffic Study. This study was done to review traffic conditions (both current and future) on a 3.8 mile length of East River Road from Erie Station Road to Jefferson Road. This section of East River Road encompasses six (6) major intersections.

This study was conducted by the Town of Henrietta, Monroe County Department of Transportation and Rochester Institute of Technology. Stantec Consulting was the Traffic Engineer of record for this project. This study was conducted over 3 years starting in May 2015 to April 2018. There were two preliminary drafts of the study compiled on June 2016 and October 2017. The final draft of the study was completed in April 2018.

There was a Public Information Meeting held on May 7, 2018 at the Henrietta Town Hall. The Town Supervisor, Town Board members, Deputy Town Supervisor, Director of Engineering & Planning, Monroe County Department of Transportation personnel and R.I.T. staff were all in attendance to discuss the study and answer any questions from the public.

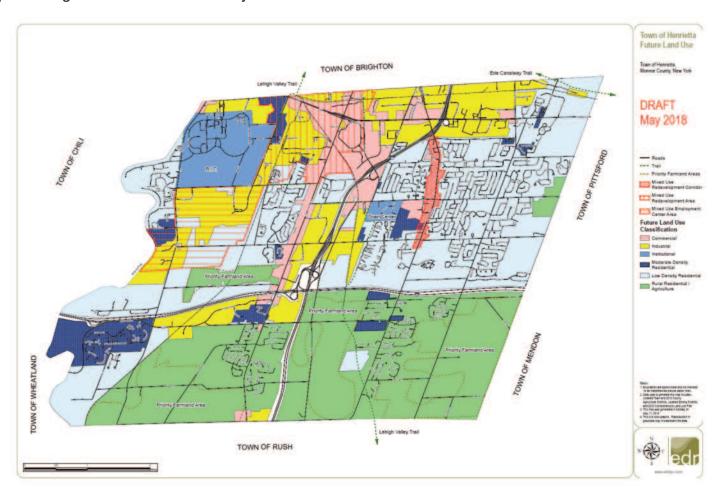
Some of the recommendations that were taken away from this study were Corridor Capacity and Safety Improvements, Pedestrian Accommodations, Bicycle Accommodations & Transit Service.

If you are interested, a hard copy of the East River Road Corridor Traffic Study is available at the Town Hall in either the Engineering Department or the Town Clerk's office and an electronic copy of the report and the Power Point presentation from the public meeting are available on the Town's website at www.henrietta.org. If you have any questions, please contact us at 359-7070.



Multifamily & Comprehensive Update

The Town is wrapping up a massive effort to update Town Codes, Zoning Maps, and the Comprehensive Land Use Plan. The genesis of this project was to better deal with Multifamily Dwelling throughout the town, working to ensure they are developed only in areas with the infrastructure to support them. We then took a look at how to encourage redevelopment of empty or "tired" commercial and industrial buildings, as well as overall updates to the zoning codes. Finally we are folding in the results of the East River Road Corridor Study and the Farmland and Agricultural Protection Plan, both of which have received approval from their respective agencies at Monroe County.



HENRIETTA PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETINGS

Multifamily Dwelling & Comprehensive Land Use Plan Update

The Town of Henrietta and Environment Design and Research Company (EDR) are hosting two public information meetings to give an update on Multifamily Dwellings and the Comprehensive Land Use Plan. At each meeting EDR will give an update and then there will be time for questions and answers. The public is cordially invited to participate. Meetings will be:

Thursday, June 7, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the Rush-Henrietta Senior High School Auditorium 1799 Lehigh Station Road, Henrietta, NY 14467

Thursday, June 14, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the Burger Junior High School Auditorium 639 Erie Station Road, West Henrietta, NY 14586

The following is an update on some of the many projects and developments currently progressing in the Town of Henrietta. As of the writing for this post, The Engineering Department has 51 private development projects that it is overseeing. 15 projects are in the Design Phase, 36 projects are in the Active Construction Phase and the remainders are in Post Construction. Some of the notable and more recent projects are:

Plans for the proposed 94,000 sf VA Rochester Community Based Outpatient Facility are moving forward. This much needed project is located at 272 Calkins Road between the CHS Ambulance and Interstate 390. The site is currently under construction and should be completed sometime in early 2019.





The Delta Sonic Car Wash located at 2970 West Henrietta Road has demolished the existing restaurant at the corner of West Henrietta Road and Brighton Henrietta Town Line Road and is constructing a new 31,000 sf service facility, convenience store and gas station. The project will also double the size of the existing car wash and provide additional landscaping; work is currently in progress.

Town Center Apartments South are in the process of constructing a 249 unit apartment project located between the Dome Arena and Veterans Memorial Park over the next several years.





The Howlett Acres Subdivision located at the south east corner of East River Road and Erie Station Road is a proposed 107 lot residential subdivision. Section 1 is currently under construction.

This multi-phase project at the corner of Lehigh Station Road and East River Road was previously approved. This multi-dwelling housing development project consists of approximately 199 market rate units, 110 units of senior housing, and 180 units for the deaf or hard of hearing.



Fox Field Subdivision, Section 1 is currently under construction at the end of Farrell Road Extension. This single family subdivision will consist of 53 residential lots and 47.3 acres of open space adjacent to the Genesee River.





McDonald's is demolishing and rebuilding their current restaurant on West Henrietta Road. Construction should start sometime this summer.

Raquet Club Student Housing is currently under design to rehabilitate the existing 4-story 51 unit buildings and will soon start construction of a new 3-story 81 unit building at 4000 East River Road.





OFD Foods is under construction for a 43,000 S.F. industrial building located at 1000 Rush Henrietta Town Line Road.

Hylan Crossing Business Park is under design for a mixed use office park with several potential uses. This office park would be located at the northwest corner of Hylan Drive and Calkins Road.



For a list of all projects in the Town of Henrietta, you can check out the website at www.henrietta.org. If you have any questions, please contact us at 359-7070.



2018 POLLING SITE CHANGES

If you are registered to vote, in August you will receive notification from Monroe County Board of Elections confirming your polling site location, but because there are a few changes for the 2018 election season, we wanted to alert you of them ahead of time. You can also check their website: https://www.monroecounty.gov/etc/voter/

	If in 2017 you voted at	This year you will be voting at
Election Districts 4, 5, & 32	Faith United Methodist Church 174 Pinnacle Road	Henrietta Senior Center 515 Calkins Road
Election Districts 13 & 29	Henrietta Fire District Station 6 60 Erie Station Road	RIT Inn & Conference Center 5257 West Henrietta Road
Election District	American Red Cross Cafeteria 825 John Street	RIT – Gene Polisseni Center 200 Lomb Memorial Drive
Election District 30	American Red Cross Cafeteria 825 John Street	American Red Cross Cafeteria 825 John Street

As always, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact us in the Town Clerk's Office at townclerk@henrietta.org or (585) 359-7035.

Rebecca Wiesner Town Clerk and Receiver of Taxes rwiesner@henrietta.org 585-359-7012



Summer playground checks all the boxesfun, friends, field trips, safety and super affordable for Mom and Dad. Register now for programs at Crane, Vollmer, Winslow, Fyle, or Leary. Camp runs Thursday, July 5 through Friday, August 10, 9:00am-3:00pm. Extended playground until 5:30pm is available for an additional fee.

Sports Camps

Track and Field Camp June 25-29
Cheerleading Camp July 9-13 & July 16-20
Boys Basketball Camp July 9-13 & July 16-20
Girls Basketball Camp July 23-27
Soccer Camp July 16-20 & July 23-27
Baseball Camp July 9-13, July 16-20 & July 23-27
Flag Football Skills Camp August 20-23
Tennis Camp July 9-13 & August 20-24
Gymnastics Camp June 25-29 & August 20-24

Fun Camps!

Art Camp August 13-17 & August 20-24

Animation Camp July 9,10 & 13

For more information call (585) 359-2540 or visit http://parksandrecreation.henrietta.org



6 teams participated in the basketball league which was held at the Henrietta Recreation Center on Sunday afternoons this past February through May. For more information about upcoming adult sports leagues please contact Craig Ross, Recreation Supervisor at (585) 359-7057 or cross@henrietta.org.

Start the Summer off on a fun note at the Community Asset Celebration on Friday, June 15th from 6:30pm - 8:30pm. Come out to Veterans Memorial Park and enjoy food, fun, music, and inflatables. The event is free and open to families of all ages!

The next day, Saturday, June 16th, the inaugural Kicking Hunger 5K kicks off at 8:00 am. The mission of this race is to bring awareness and provide tangible solutions to the issue of hunger in our community. The race begins and ends in Veterans Memorial Park. For more information or to register as a sponsor or participant, visit RH Kicking Hunger 5K on Facebook.

Please be advised that from 8:00am - 8:30am, during the RH Kicking Hunger 5K Race, Calkins Road will be fully closed from Strawberry Hill Road to Beaconsfield Road and open to westbound traffic only from Strawberry Hill Road to Hylan Drive. Race course volunteers will be located at each intersection throughout the course and can assist with re-routing drivers or in case of emergency, directing vehicles through the race course.

There are so many wonderful events and programs planned for this summer. For more information please visit us online at https://parksandrecreation.henrietta.org.



Kicking Hunger 5K

Saturday, June 16, starting at 8:00 AM
Race Begins and Ends at Veterans Memorial Park



The Henrietta Bicentennial Kickoff Party on Friday April 20 at the Henrietta Recreation Center was well attended, requiring a last minute call to the caterers, Lovin' Cup, to add enough food for 20 additional attendees due to last minute demand. The evening began with hors d'ouvres with background music provided by the Celtic Music Ensemble. This was followed by a performance by Rush-Henrietta's Spectrum Singers and a reenactment of the First Town Board Meeting of the Town of Henrietta, 200-years prior, to the day, performed by the "Don't Quit Your Day Jobs" acting guild. A Time Capsule, buried during the 175th anniversary of the town, was opened and a few select letters were read. Prints of the incredible Rush-Henrietta student artwork were sold to help raise funds for the new library with a total of 48 prints being sold, raising \$480 for the children's area. And the Town was presented with certificates of recognition from the County, and County and State legislatures.

Donald W. Yost was born in 1924 and moved to Henrietta when he was 8-months old. This September he will be 94-years old, making him the longest living resident in Henrietta. The farm on which Don grew up and now lives was purchased by his grandfather William Smith in 1905. William and his wife Martha had two daughters, Laura who married Irving Yost and Ina who married into the Bushman family. The property is directly connected to some of the early settlers of the town, originally belonging to Wesley Search. Wesley's father Lot Search, Jr. served in the War of 1812. Lot Search, Sr. fought in the Revolutionary War at Monmouth and Brandywine. Don Yost purchased the farm from his parents in 1952. He and his son Donnie farmed



together until 1992 when Donnie Yost started a horse boarding business known as Green Valley Stables. Don Yost continued to be active in the everyday activities of the farm. Today the farm is known as the Irish Rose Stables, operated by Don's granddaughter. It was only recently that Don no longer mowed the fields and watered the horses. In March 1982, Don was appointed as a member of the Historic Site Committee where he served for over 25 years. In 1988 he and his wife Isabelle added the property to the Tenth Historic District to preserve and protect the farm, the barns and the houses on the property.











Are you 60 or older? Senior Citizens or the Young at Heart come join us at the Don W. Cook Henrietta Senior Center at 515 Calkins Rd. We are located between the Veterans Memorial Park and the Henrietta Town Hall. The bustling Center opened in 1990 and is operated by the Town of Henrietta Recreation Department and draws 150 seniors daily. Lunches are served for a \$3.00 contribution, in conjunction with the Monroe County Nutrition Program.

The Center has a non-stop list of activities free of charge for Henrietta senior residents: fitness and aerobic classes, crafts, computer instruction, Zumba, yoga and much more. The Center provides "no cost" transportation to the center for those who are unable to drive — and soon that transportation will be provided by a brand new bus! Onsite assistance with medical, legal, financial, or housing matters is provided by Eldersource care managers on a bi-monthly schedule.

A popular program at the Senior Center is the Bocce League which runs from June-September each year. Bocce is played each week on the Louis Acresti Memorial Bocce Courts adjacent to the Center. The Henrietta Town Board and members of the Center would like to thank the Marcucci Family for their generous donation to put a permanent pavilion over the courts so that league can play regardless of the weather.

Be sure to stop by the Senior Center for the annual Town of Henrietta Craft & Garage Sale on Wednesday, July 4th from 9am-2pm. A wide variety of homemade craft items and unique gifts will be on sale.

Monthly Activity Calendars, Lunch Menus, and Schedules of Day and Overnight Trips are available for pickup at the Senior Center. Or call (585) 334-4030.

Henrietta Chamber of Commerce Award Winners



Jayha Smith

Jayha is a valued member of the Rush-Henrietta ASL Choir, plays volleyball, works at Wegmans and volunteers at Strong Hospital. Jayha plans to attend RIT's National Technical Institute for the Deaf where she plans to major in American Sign Language – English interpretation and to develop

her own business offering ASL services as a freelance interpreter.



Mary Gaffney

Mary has been a member of Rush-Henrietta's DECA chapter for three years and has qualified regionally to represent her school at the New York State Career Conference. She was then selected nationally to compete in Anaheim, CA. Mary plans to attend Cornell University and major

in Communications and would like to become a corporate leader for promotional projects and advertising campaigns.

Antoinette Brown Blackwell Society Award Winners



From left to right: **Emily Diep**, scholarship winner, **Carol Tinker Aldridge**, Woman of the Year winner, **Allison Wilson**, scholarship winner.

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m the Assessment Office



The residential real estate market in our region is very healthy, and Henrietta is no exception. In order to keep current with market trends, the assessment office continually reviews real estate sales and analyzes neighborhood property values throughout town. As a result of this on-going effort, we are able to actively maintain property assessments at a fair and equitable level.

We have started gearing up for the process of preparing next year's assessment roll to reflect these conditions.

One of the ways our assessment roll is maintained is through field inspections throughout town, in order to keep our property inventory records current. We also review and inspect for building permits for new construction, demolition, or improvements. Accurate property information helps us to create a fair and equitable assessment roll each year.

You will soon begin seeing some of the more visible aspects of our activities now that the summer is here. We are conducting field inspections and updating our photo files in several neighborhoods throughout the summer as weather conditions permit. Anyone working on this project will have an appropriate photo identification badge.

During these field inspections, if no one is home, we'll leave a "door tag" with a phone number to call if there are any questions. Anyone working on this project will have an appropriate photo identification badge.

Nathan T. Gabbert Assessor - Town of Henrietta (585) 359-7032 assessor@henrietta.org



Friends & Foundation of the **Henrietta Public Library**

Join your friends and neighbors for the Town of Henrietta's Bicentennial Gala Celebration to benefit the Friends and Foundation of the Henrietta Public Library — on Saturday, September 29, at Locust Hill Country Club. The evening in-cludes cocktails, dinner, and a great celebration of this mile-stone. Scott Hetsko, from 13 WHAM TV will be our emcee.

More information about corporate sponsorship opportuni-ties as well as individual reservations may be found on the website, www.friendandfoundationhpl.org

The Friends and Foundation are earmarking all proceeds from the Gala to be used to enhance the children's area of the library.



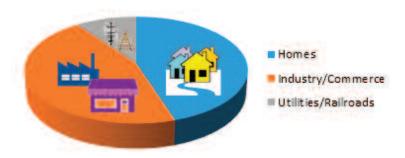
TOWN OF HENRIET Celebrating 200 Years

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Property Assessment Process

Properties are assessed to reflect their market value. When a property sells, that generally sets its new market value standard. For existing properties, the Assessment Office looks for similar properties that have sold recently and uses those to reflect any new assessments. The assessed values have NOTHING to do with Town spending.



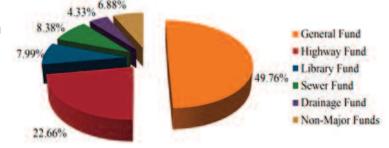
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Total Taxable Property Value

Once all homes, industry, commercial, utility, and other properties have been valued, the total amount of property value is added up and any exceptions are subtracted. For Henrietta, this resulting total is about \$3,000,000,000. About 45% comes from homes, 45% from industry and commerce, and 10% from utilities, railroads, etcetera.

The Budget Process

Independently, the Town develops its budget based on the expected expenses for the year. From this they subtract the expected revenues (fees, sales tax, PILOT agreements and so on) and the amount that will be spent from budget surpluses. The remaining amount is the Amount to be Collected in Taxes.



Amount to Collect in Taxes

Total Taxable Property Value = Taxable Rate

Taxable Rate X Your Assessed Value = Your Tax Payment

Collecting the Tax Levy

The Amount to be Collected in Taxes is then divided by the Total Taxable Property Value to determine the taxable rate per assessed value. This rate is then used to determine your taxes. In Henrietta, the 2018 Town Tax rate is \$1.119 per thousand dollars of assessed value.

Notes: The reason properties are being reassessed is it is State Law to maintain fairness and equity across all properties. The reasons home assessments are going up is because house sales, after nearly a decade of being flat, have shot up the past two years. If the market stayed flat, the assessments would stay flat. If the market dropped, assessments would drop. It is also important to understand that if the budgets stayed the same and the amount to collect in taxes stayed the same, then if all assessments went up 20%, the tax rate would drop 20%, and you'd be paying the exact same amount in taxes. Unfortunately, most taxing authorities do not keep flat budgets and as such, our taxes go up.



It's that time of year again where we are recovering from winter and have many projects to do around the home. I'd like to take a moment to advise you on a few steps to ease your way to complete them. First and foremost, please contact the Building dept. before starting any home projects that will require Permits from the Town. These include but are not inclusive as: sheds decks, pools, additions, major plumbing, structural work, renovations, etc. In other words, if you can't answer the question yes or no if you need a Permit, please do not hesitate to contact us. Better to find out early in the process if a Permit is needed. This will save you time & money and most of all emotional distress if you find out too late after the project is started. We are here to make sure you, the Resident, are protected by insuring the work you do yourself or the Contractor you hire, can meet the NYS Building Codes.

There have been many changes in the most recent version of the Code, in particular the Energy Code, Plumbing and the Electrical Code. So please, contact us first so we can help you make sure your project can be completed on time and on budget. This always becomes an issue when the Home Owner try's to sell their home and the Bank sees that there were improvements to the property from the original construction and asks us if Permits were taken out for the jobs. When we say no, it only complicates the sale and can result in you losing out on a sale. This is a busy time of year for us and our turnaround for Permits is approx. 8-10 business days, up to 2 weeks if necessary due to the volume of plans submitted.

Many residents ask us about Open Burning of yard debris. The NYS DEC has issued an Open Burning ban from now through the month of May due to the dry conditions across the State. This is to reduce the chance of wildfires starting because of unwatched fires. It is enforceable by \$8,000.00 / day fine by DEC Enforcement Division if found in violation. In Monroe County, there has been no open burning allowed since 1994, by order of the MC Health Department. So please do not burn debris. We will follow up with the DEC to enforce this regulation.

Last but not least, with summer coming upon us, the Office gets numerous questions about Recreational Fires, The NYS Fire Code, Chapter 3, section 307 addresses this subject. Basically it allows these fires as long as they do not impact the neighboring properties through smoke or smell. Not all residents like the smell of smoke. Some may have allergies, some do not want the smoke smell on their clothes coming in from an open window. Please check with your neighbors and see if they have any objections to your use of a recreational fire. Please contact this Office with any questions on any subject and we will try our best to find the answers for you.

Sincerely,

Terry L. Ekwell, Director

Ph: 585-359-7065

Email: tekwell@henrietta.org



With a long, tough winter behind us, the Department of Public Works is now gearing up for spring and summer projects. This means heavy equipment, dump trucks and employees will be working throughout town. Please be aware of these activities and be careful traveling the work areas to protect our workers and yourselves. Educate your children to stay away from these sites due to the heavy equipment in use.

Reminder to all residents, summer operation hours are in effect. The Public Works department starts work at 6:00AM Monday through Thursday and concludes the day at 3:30PM. Friday the hours are 6:00AM until 10:00AM. These hours were used last summer as an experiment which was successful and proved to be more efficient to accomplish the annual capital and routine projects.

Below is a list of Town Roads scheduled for repaving this year. Note that the State (Jefferson – NY252, West Henrietta – NY15, East Henrietta – NY15A, and Lehigh Station/Erie Station – NY253) and the County (numerous, including Calkins, Brooks, Hylan, and East River) handle their own paving schedules.

Gutter Replacement, Milling, and Paving Work (begins in spring)

Justinshire Drive
Justin Circle
Marberth Drive
Kathy Drive
Tall Oak Lane
Tumbleweed Drive
Englewood Hill
Oakshire Way
Friel Road
Coachwood Lane
Chautauqua Drive
Ivy Cottage Lane
Parkerhouse Road

Milling and NovaChip Sealing (begins mid-summer)

Cave Hollow
Grangerford Heights
Hanover Drive
Chelsea Meadows Drive
Stillington Court

Slury Sealing (begins mid-summer)

Groton Parkway Amador Parkway Aronica Drive Coronet Road Fresno Road Macon Drive

Slury Sealing (continued) (begins mid-summer)

Manatee Park way

Wakehurst Road

Guildhall Road
Sussex Road
Viscount Drive
Cobra Drive
Cross Drive
Ivory Way
New Gate Drive
Pittsford-Henrietta Town Line Rd
Dawn Valley
Brandywine Terrace
Rampart Street
Maple Valley Crescent



Tinker Homestead Museum: Tours by appointment Tuesday – Saturday 10:00am- 2:00pm.

Tyler Pavilion: For reservation information, please call the Recreation Department at 359-2540.

Upcoming program Schedule

June 9 ... Lawn Games of the 1800s

11:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Join us for games and crafts of the 1800s. There will also be special musical presentation- Songs of New York State by Dave Ruch in the Amphitheater. Food Trucks Roc City Sammich, Effortlessly Healthy, and Chef's Catering will also be available.

July 14 ... Ice Cream Social

12:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Complimentary ice cream, museums open for showing, and live music

August 3-5 ... Civil War Encampment

Friday, 6:30 pm Concert

Saturday & Sunday, 2:00 pm Battles

Saturday & Sunday, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm Camps open for living history demonstrations

September 22 ... Honey Harvest Fest

11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Watch the honey extraction, sample honey recipes, wagon rides, live music, cider press demonstrations and honey to purchase

Join us for our Saturday Morning Garden Seminars. View the Schedule and Topics on our website: https://sites.google.com/view/tinkerpark

About Town...



The Henrietta Foundation maintains the North Branch of the Lehigh Valley Trail in Henrietta. We sponsor a trail cleanup twice a year; once in the spring and once in the fall at the trailhead on East Henrietta Road just south of Ward Hill Road. Spring 2018 trail cleanup took place on May 5th with the assistance of Boy Scout Troop 750 from Pinnacle Lutheran Church. The Foundation would appreciate any community help at future cleanups. Look for a notice at the trailhead and on the Town of Henrietta website.

Community members are also invited to attend Henrietta Foundation meetings which are generally held on the second Tuesday night of the month in Baldwin cabin in Lookup Park.

The Henrietta Foundation also operates the driving range at Lookup Park. The range is now open for the season; weather permitting and is a true asset for Henrietta residents. Come get a few swings in when you have the opportunity! Please say hello to the volunteers who staff the range.



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