

## Town of Ulysses e-news

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Hello Ulyssians,

Read on for important information compiled for you from Town of Ulysses staff...

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### **TOWN OF ULYSSES NEWS:**

#### **Zoning Update comment deadline- Feb. 18**

The town is currently updating its zoning law. View the latest draft documents here:

<http://www.ulysses.ny.us/boards/zoning-update/>

The deadline for public comments is February 18, 2019. Comments on the draft zoning can be submitted to Carissa Parlato, Town Clerk, at [clerk@ulysses.ny.us](mailto:clerk@ulysses.ny.us) or by writing to 10 Elm Street, Trumansburg, NY 14886. Questions about the draft can be directed to John Zepko, Town Planner, at [zepko@ulysses.ny.us](mailto:zepko@ulysses.ny.us) or (607)387-5767 extension 222.

#### **Town of Ulysses Board of Zoning Appeals- Notice of Public Hearing**

The Town of Ulysses Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a public hearing at 7pm on Wednesday, February 20, 2019 to consider an appeal by the Paleontological Research Institute for an area variance under Section 212-162 of the Town of Ulysses Zoning Law, Fences and Walls, for the purpose of increasing the height of a fence from 6 feet to 8 feet, at the property located at Smith Woods, Trumansburg Road, Town of Ulysses, Tax Parcel Number 13.-3-1.

The above application is available at the Town Hall or on-line here: <http://www.ulysses.ny.us/calendar/?cmd=view&event=3012&category=Government>. Persons wishing to appear at such hearing may do so in person or by other representative. Communications in writing in relation thereto may be filed with the Zoning Office at [zepko@ulysses.ny.us](mailto:zepko@ulysses.ny.us) or at the following address: Town of Ulysses Zoning Office, 10 Elm St, Trumansburg, NY 14886

#### **Wintertime request from the Highway Department:**

Our Highway crew is hard at work keeping the roads clear of snow and ice. As a reminder, please do not plow snow into or across roadways. If you plow your own driveway or have it plowed, the snow needs to remain on your property. Also, please keep your garbage and recycling containers out of roadways and far enough back from the road so that plows will not hit them.

#### **Notice of Town Board resolution subject to Permissive Referendum**

The resolution authorizes the Town of Ulysses ("the Town") to use up to \$188,281.00 from the Town of Ulysses Capital Equipment Reserve Fund (DA878) to purchase the following highway equipment: (1) a 2020 Mack Granite 64FR Truck for \$144,283.96 and (2) the associated plow equipment and accessories for \$80,581.70. See more details here: <http://www.ulysses.ny.us/pdf/2019-02-12-AUTHORIZING-USE-OF-FUNDS-FROM-DA-FUND-CAPITAL-EQUIPMENT-RESERVE--SUBJECT-TO-PERMISSIVE-REFERENDUM.pdf>.

#### **Seeking Town Supervisor Candidates**

Town of Ulysses Supervisor Elizabeth Thomas is considering stepping down sometime later in 2019. In the

event of a resignation, the Ulysses Town Board is responsible for appointing an acting Supervisor through December 2019. An acting Supervisor wishing to serve the balance of the term which ends December 2021 must run in the next general election which will be November 2019.

The statutory responsibilities of the Town Supervisor include serving as: the presiding officer at meetings of the town board; a Town Legislator or Town Board Member, voting on matters before the town board as do all the other board members; the Town Executive and Administrator, carrying out Town Board decisions. The Supervisor fields many questions and comments from residents as well. The Supervisor is also the Town's fiscal officer/treasurer of the town and generally represents the town in the conduct of its financial affairs. The Supervisor has the authority to appoint a Bookkeeper and Deputies to assist as needed, within the appropriation limits set by the Town Board.

The Town Supervisor has also performed duties delegated by the Town Board, including grant administration, supervision of the Planner, Code Enforcement Officer, and Bookkeeper and appointed deputies, and oversight of the Water Districts. The Supervisor also represents the Town on a number of inter-municipal initiatives. The current Supervisor works 37 hours/week and receives a salary of \$35,591 plus health insurance for the combined duties of Supervisor and Budget Officer. There are no state requirements on the number of hours a Supervisor must work, so this position could be split between a Supervisor and an appointed Deputy Supervisor.

The Town Board is inviting Ulysses residents interested in being considered for the Acting Supervisor role to submit a resume with a letter describing interest and qualifications. Applicants should also specify the time available to fulfill the duties and whether they would be willing to run for election to serve the balance of the term ending in 2021. Applications should be submitted to the Town Clerk at 10 Elm St. Trumansburg, NY 14886 or [Clerk@ulysses.ny.us](mailto:Clerk@ulysses.ny.us). Town Board members will review applications and conduct interviews on a rolling basis to be prepared to make an appointment if and when Supervisor Thomas submits her resignation.

### **Parking at Town Hall**

Please note that the Town of Ulysses does not own the parking lot on the north side of the building (behind the How Sweet It Is ice cream building), and it not plowed regularly. You may use the lot across the street from the town hall or the lot behind the town hall.

### **Sign up for Swift911 to get emergency updates from the town**

The town has implemented Tompkins County's Swift911™ alerting system.

Swift911™ will allow us to alert residents by text, e-mail and phone with emergency messages for things like floods, fires, water emergencies, road closures, missing persons, evacuation orders, and weather emergencies.

Sign up in one of these ways:

\* Text "Swift911" to "99538". You will receive a response with a link for the Swift911™ Public App within your app store. This app is free and available on most Apple, Android, and Windows smartphones. Once the app is installed, simply follow the instructions to provide your information.

\* Go to <https://mp.swiftreach.com/>

### **NEW YORK STATE DEC:**

#### **Free tree and shrub seedlings available for qualifying land owners**

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos announced a new Trees for Tribes Program initiative, "Buffer in a Bag," designed to help increase riparian buffers throughout New York State. Qualifying public and private landowners may apply for a free bag of 25 tree and shrub seedlings for planting along streams, rivers, or lakes to help stabilize banks, decrease erosion, protect water quality, and improve wildlife habitat. Visit DEC's website for more information about the Buffer in a Bag application process and requirements. Applications are due by 3 p.m. on April 3, 2019. General questions about Buffer in a Bag may be directed to [treesfortribs@dec.ny.gov](mailto:treesfortribs@dec.ny.gov). For more information on the Trees for Tribes Program and its tree planting activities, visit DEC's website.

### **UPCOMING TOWN MEETINGS: (All are open to the public and meet at the Town Hall)**

All town meetings are held at the town hall at 10 Elm St., Trumansburg, unless noted otherwise.

For agendas and other meeting information, click on the event on the calendar here:

<http://ulysses.ny.us/calendar/?category=Government>

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Forward this message to anyone else that you think would be interested. We'd love to connect with more

residents. To send questions or comments, or be removed from this list, please e-mail [clerk@ulysses.ny.us](mailto:clerk@ulysses.ny.us)

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Best,

[Carissa Parlato, CMC \(Certified Municipal Clerk\)](#)

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