

# VILLAGE OF MORRISVILLE

## FEBRUARY 2021 NEWSLETTER

TOM LANE, MAYOR 684-9067  
MIKE HIGGINS, DEPUTY MAYOR 415-0166  
KATHLEEN ROHER, TRUSTEE 684-7122  
JUDY SCHOLEFIELD, TRUSTEE 684-1088  
BILL DONNELLY, TRUSTEE 684-9584



DAVE COMMINS, DPW SUPERINTENDENT 684-3776  
AMY WILL, VILLAGE CLERK-TREASURER 684-7007  
JANET OLEY, DEPUTY VILLAGE CLERK 684-7007  
LLOYD SUTTON, CODE ENFORCEMENT 684-7007

EMAIL: [VILLAGECLERK@FRONTIERNET.NET](mailto:VILLAGECLERK@FRONTIERNET.NET)

WEBSITE: [WWW.MORRISVILLENY.COM](http://WWW.MORRISVILLENY.COM)

### MAYOR'S CORNER

On February 4 I attended a Village of Morrisville Planning Board hearing as a concerned resident. The decision of the hearing is not important here, but what is important is the professionalism that members of the Planning Board exhibited. The purpose of the Planning Board is to rationally and logically direct the growth and development of our community by addressing land use. On behalf of the residents in this village, thank you to Marie Smith, Rachael Armstrong, Ron Bush and Craig Waters for volunteering your time and commitment to make our village a better place to live.

The village has openings on a few boards right now if you are interested and want to make a difference. The Zoning Board of Appeals has an opening and the Historic Preservation Board is in need of members to serve to protect our beautiful old homes from losing their identity. Call the Village Office for details. Join us and help preserve our community.

~ Tom Lane

### **Tentative Water/Sewer Equivalent Dwelling Unit (EDU) Assessment Roll**

The owner(s) of any connected property assessed two or more equivalent dwelling units on the Tentative Water/Sewer EDU Roll may appeal the EDU assessment to the Village Board of Trustees by filing a written complaint with the Village Clerk no later than March 4, 2021. Complaint forms with instructions for contesting an EDU assessment are available by contacting the Village Office. The Board of Trustees shall hear complaints in relation to EDU assessments on March 4, 2021 beginning at 7:30 p.m. Members of the public body will be participating via videoconferencing technology, with no in-person location. The public may listen to or view this meeting via web-based video technology by going to [zoom.us/join](https://zoom.us/join) and entering Meeting ID 496-003-2450.

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Morrisville are conducting this meeting pursuant to Governor Cuomo's Executive Order 202.1.

### **PROPERTY OWNERS ASKED TO CHECK BASEMENTS FOR FROZEN WATER METERS**

The village is pumping a higher than normal volume of water from our wells, which typically indicates a water leak. With the recent cold weather, property owners are asked to check their basements to ensure their water meter has not frozen and is now leaking.

While the utility owns the meter and the couplings on either side of it, the responsibility to protect the meter from damage lies with the homeowner. If we need to replace a damaged meter, including damage caused by freezing, the homeowner will be charged for the meter.

Water meters sit several inches off the floor in the basements of most homes. Many basements are partially finished and not used for main living quarters, so you might not notice colder temperatures or frosted areas along walls. But you can take several actions to prevent meters and pipes from freezing in your home. Temperatures are colder along the floor and the cement block wall of the basement than they are near the ceiling. Circulating the warmer air can help prevent frozen meters. In some homes, meters are in separate, unheated rooms; keep the doors to that room open. You may also need to insulate the meter or add heat tape. You should check your meter regularly throughout the winter, and more often when temperatures are near or below zero.

If you have any questions, please call the DPW at 684-3776.

### **Village offices are open to the public by appointment only**

The public is encouraged to conduct business by phone or electronically.

Village of Morrisville  
P.O. Box 955  
Morrisville, NY 13408

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Pre-Sorted  
Standard Mail  
US Postage Paid  
Morrisville, NY  
Permit #35

## Remember to Shovel Your Sidewalk!

*It's the neighborly  
thing to do.*

Many people, including children, the elderly, and those using wheelchairs and strollers depend on sidewalks all year long.

**So be Morrisville nice.  
Clear your snow and ice!**

*(And if you have a neighbor who needs help shoveling, consider lending a hand.)*

To keep sidewalks safe, Section 157-3 of Village Code provides that all property owners must keep the sidewalks adjoining their property free and clear of snow and ice and shall not suffer or permit snow or ice to remain on such sidewalks. When snow is removed from the walks by the village using plows or other methods, it shall nevertheless be the duty of the owner to complete the removal of snow and ice which may remain after such plows or other methods have been used.



The March meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Morrisville will be held on March 4, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. Members of the public body will be participating via videoconferencing technology, with no in-person location. The public may listen to or view this meeting via web-based video technology by going to [zoom.us/join](https://zoom.us/join) and entering Meeting ID 496-003-2450.

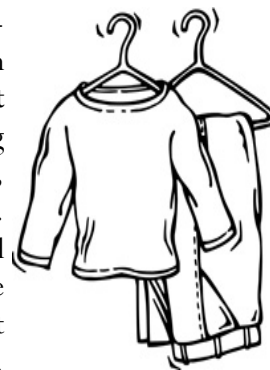
## *Did You Know?*

*Facts about our village codes you may not know*

Section 91-4: Building Permits are required for any work which must conform to the uniform building code and/or the energy code. Construction, enlargement, alteration, improvement, removal, relocation or demolition of any building or any portion thereof requires a permit. Property owners are encouraged to contact the Code Enforcement Officer prior to beginning any construction project to determine if permits are required.

The Clothes Basket at the Morrisville Community Church is open and overflowing. **Come see what we have!** Clothing is \$3 per bag (we provide the bags). All books, toys, games and puzzles are free. Housewares, Valentine's and Easter decor is \$3 a bag. We are open Thursday 10-12 and the first Saturday of the month 10-12.

Adults only, wear a mask, sign in and come get a bargain. We're located at 3824 Swamp Road, Morrisville. Please share!



Water/Sewer bills were issued January 15.  
Bills are payable on or before February 16 to avoid late penalties.