



WILSON CHRONICLE

MAY 2024

From the Supervisor's Desk ~

As we begin this new year and the feel of Spring is in the air there have been several changes throughout our community. We started the year with three new board members, Michael Leggett, Steve Frerichs, and Tim Kropp, with Tony Evans as Interim Supervisor. We reached a new contract with Modern Disposal and it includes refuse carts for all our residences. These carts are 95 gallons, and no refuse that sits outside the cart will be collected.

Thanks goes out to our Highway department for keeping our municipal roads clear, safe and drivable this past winter. They have been working on Town ditches to relieve some of the stress and hardship on our farmers and residents, and will continue as the weather permits. As a reminder, you will be asked to take a photo of the water line that enters your home as New York State is requiring all municipalities to locate any lead service lines in use. Thanks goes out to all our departments that help keep our town safe and growing.

~ Tony



LONG TERM RENTALS (LTR)

PACKETS ARE NOW BEING PREPARED FOR PERMITS TO OPERATE LONG TERM RENTALS IN THE TOWN OF WILSON. IF YOU OWN A LTR, PLEASE CALL THE CEO AT 716-751-6705 X3 TO GET YOUR NAME REGISTERED TO BE SENT THE INFORMATION TO FILE FOR A PERMIT. STR APPLICATIONS HAVE BEEN MOVING ALONG SMOOTHLY!



The Carts Are Coming!!

Refuse carts will soon be joining your recycling cart if you live in the Town of Wilson outside the village. Each cart has a unique serial number that is on file in our office. If you sell your home, the refuse and recycling bins must stay with the property! You will find instructions for the refuse carts attached when you receive it along with a calendar. Our regular garbage pickup date will stay the same. Large/bulk item pickup will take place on the first Wednesday of each month ONLY and you can place up to four items out each month. Additional carts will be available to purchase in July.

CHECK OUT WWW.RETHINKYOURWAST.COM/EVENTS

www.wilsonnewyork.com

Library Hours

Wilson Community

M, Tu, Th 10 am– 8 pm

Wed 2 pm–8 pm

Fri 10 am–5 pm

Sat 10 am–1 pm

Ransomville Free

M & Wed 2 pm–7 pm

Tu & Th 10 am–7 pm

Sat 2 pm–5pm

DEPARTMENT HEADS

Jim Bird

Assessor

751-6705 x5

Travis Evans

CEO

751-6705 X3

Jim Pringle

Highway/Water Supt.

751-6691

A. Diane Muscoreil

Town Clerk/Tax Collector

751-6704 X2

Town Hall is Open

Monday ~ Friday

9:00 am ~ Noon

1:00 pm ~ 4:00 pm

TOWN WATER DEPT.

You can play an important role in conservation of our natural resource of water by checking your home for small water leaks. A toilet that leaks or a small drip can waste many gallons of water, which will increase your water bill.

We continue to check quarterly meter readings that reflect a leak, but it is a good idea for the homeowner to make checks periodically.

Please contact our office if you have any updates to your current contact information at 716-751-6213.

James Pringle

Public Works Superintendent



BUILDING INSPECTOR ~ TRAVIS EVANS

Building permit applications are available on our website [http://www.wilsonnewyork.com/2165/Building-Department and CE200 Forms](http://www.wilsonnewyork.com/2165/Building-Department%20and%20CE200%20Forms) *are required to apply.* You can print them out and bring them in with you. Also online is the fee schedule for all permits. You can also review the code online to determine if a permit is needed or not. Any questions can be directed to my office. My hours are Monday—Thursdays 9-12 & 1 –4.

Regulations for open burning are controlled solely by the NYSDEC, who have an online site at <https://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/58519.html>. The Town strives to ensure that it is an appealing place to live. We need the efforts of all residents to maintain their property per Town Local Law: “Properties should have regularly maintained lawns and be kept free of debris.”

Travel trailers should NOT be considered a dwelling and cannot be lived in for any extended period of time. Questions—716-751-6705 Ext. 3

RECREATION 2024 COUNCILMAN E. ANNE BASILE, CHAIR

The Town of Wilson has announced the dates for this years Sumer Rec Program. This year we were able to add extra dates to our normal programing. The dates will be July 1-3, 2024, and July 8-August 16,2024.

Stephen McCarthy (Recreation Director) and Sarah White (Assistant Recreation Director) will be returning this year to conduct the program. According to Stephen and Sarah, this year we will be able to accommodate 75 students! They feel that attending “summer rec” is a wonderful opportunity for the kids of the Town and Village of Wilson, (along with any child enrolled in the Wilson School district) to keep their minds and bodies active. When at the “REC” program, kids get to learn about nature, take on new responsibilities, gain independence and develop essential social skills.

This year registration will take place online to make it easier for parents / guardians to register their children. It will be announced on social media and through the town hall when the registration process goes live. We are tentatively looking at about the third week of May for registration to begin. No child will be considered registered until all paper work and payments are completed in full.

We look forward to an exciting summer program!

Anne Basile, Town of Wilson

Chairperson Summer Recreation

PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE

Calendar of Events

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Town of Wilson Information

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Historical Society

Dog Licensing

Harbor Webcam

Board Agendas

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WWW.WILSONNEWYORK.COM

WILSON COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY NEWS

The Board and Volunteers say, again, “Thank You, Thank You” for your thoughtfulness and generosity. Our shelves are full and we are able to purchase fresh fruits and vegetables weekly. We are open every Tuesday, 2pm-8pm, but are available for emergency food requests. We are staffed with all volunteers to cover the 6 hrs. every Tuesday along with the pantry administrator (no one is paid). We distributed Thanksgiving Dinner to the pantry patrons on Sunday, November 19, 69 families received a full meal feeding 159 individuals. Christmas Dinner to pantry patrons was distributed on December 17, 66 families received a full meal feeding 142 individuals. We are now receiving bread weekly as well as milk for distribution, thanks to various grants with the vendors of the products. We are also signed up with WNY4 PAWS which allows us to distribute dog, cat and other pet supplies monthly.

If needed, please contact met at www.wilsoncommunityfoodpantry.com or call us at 716-727-4074. Remember this is a hand-up not a handout. Again, please check on your neighbors and the elderly, we have a lot of food to share. We are here for you, our community.

Janet M. Hoffman, Administrator
Wilson Community Food Pantry

MISCELLANEOUS

- ◆ A drop box is available in the front lobby of the Town Hall at any time for mail you want us to receive, including dog licenses, tax bills, water bills, Assessor info, etc. Just drop them in the black box!
- ◆ If your mailing address has changed, please contact the Assessor’s office with the new information so you can receive any notices and your tax bills in a timely manner. 716-751-6705.
- ◆ The Town 2023 Annual Water Quality Report is posted at various spots around town and on our website, www.wilsonnewyork.com, on the opening page.
- ◆ The Wilson Golden Agers meet at the Wilson Community Library on Young Street the first and third Tuesday of each month. Gathering begins at 10:00 am and a group meeting at 11:00. All seniors are welcome, regardless of where you live! Just bring a bag lunch and beverage! For more information, call Bonnie at 716-638-4030.



WILSON LIONS CLUB—SERVING OUR COMMUNITY FOR OVER 80 YEARS!

*Don't Miss our Special Basket Auction July 13th, 2024 at the
Wilson Historical Society!*



HIGHWAY/WATER

The Town Highway Dept. is looking forward to the warmer temps and sunshine.

Flooding can become an issue at this time of year. Draining ditches may be full of water and yards may be holding water. It is a good idea to go out and check on your drainage system to be sure it is flowing as it should. Often the only reason for the water backup is an obstruction in the culvert or ditch. If the problem persists, give us a call.

Our normal summer work of repairing roads, ditching and mowing is in process.

The water department will continue hydrant and water pit maintenance. If you feel your water bill could be incorrect, please call us at 751-6213 immediately so we will be able to correct it as soon as possible.

PLEASE REMEMBER
THAT IF YOUR WATER
BILL IS NOT PAID BY
OCTOBER 1ST, IT WILL
GO ON THE TAX ROLL
AND YOU WILL BE
CHARGED AN
ADDITIONAL \$100.00

JAMES PRINGLE,
Highway Supt.

TOWN CLERK /TAX COLL.~A. DIANE MUSCOREIL

- ◆ Remember to check the town website for up to date information. Agendas and minutes of the Town, Planning and Zoning Boards are all available on the site along with a directory of officers, a calendar and listing of local businesses. My office continues to offer in-person or online credit/debit transactions for most payments made at the Town Hall including tax, water, conservation licensing and building fees. The link is on the first page of our website, with separate links for water, tax, and miscellaneous payments. There is a small fee added to your bill that goes directly to All Paid for offering this service to us.
- ◆ Tax Collection for 2024 went very well with our Bank on Buffalo collecting payments for us along with our lockbox in Boston, MA. Remember to put your phone number on your check when paying your tax bill so we can easily contact you if there are any problems. If you spend winters away from Wilson and want to make sure you get your bill in a timely manner, give us your temporary mailing address and we will make sure to forward your bill to your winter address. Also, be aware that all of our mail now goes out of town before being sent back to Wilson for delivery. You need to factor that in when you are deciding what date to mail out your check. Any payments made after April 1st will have to be made to the Niagara County Treasurer.

GREENWOOD CEMETERY UPDATE

The Town of Wilson has taken over management of Greenwood Cemetery.

You can contact Travis Evans at 716-638-7005 for information on Sales and/or Service.



Stone Washing is Available

DOG TALES—LICENSING NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE

You are now able to license your dog online at our website, www.wilsonnewyork.com. On the opening page just click on Dogs Licensing and follow the prompts! Reminder: current rabies information is needed to renew your dog license. If you are having difficulty getting updated rabies, call our office. We will work things out.

Upcoming Free Rabies Appointments are mandatory with the registration link available online at www.niagaracounty.com/health the Monday before each clinic (June and July clinics the Tuesday before due to holidays)

June 1st 9-noon Hye Park Oasis/Centennial Pavilion
July 13th 9-noon Town of Lewiston Highway Garage
Sept. 14th 9-12 Town of Lockport Highway Dept.
Dec. 7th 9-12 North Tonawanda—Public Works.



ASSESSOR ~ JIM BIRD

The Assessor is the local government official who estimates the value of real property within the town and village's boundaries. This value is converted into an assessment, which is one component in the computation of property tax bills. The Assessor is obligated by New York State law to maintain all assessments at a uniform percent of market value each year.

The Wilson Assessor's office is in the continuous process of gathering property data to reflect the correct inventory on all parcels. We continue to review all building permits and adjust our inventory to reflect any changes. If you feel we have incorrect data in our system regarding your property, please contact our office.

The Board of Assessment Review will be meeting to hear complaints on assessments on Wednesday, May 29th, 2024 which is Grievance Day. A Complaint Form (RP-524) will be available in our office and on our website in early May.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to call the assessor's office at 751-6705.

Monthly Meetings

Town Board Workshop Mtg. 1st Wednesday 3:00
Town Board Meeting 3rd Wednesday 7:00 pm
Planning Board 2nd Wednesday 7:00 pm
Zoning Board 4th Wednesday 7:00 pm as needed

Check our website for possible changes .

LEASH LAW

IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR ANY OWNER OF ANY DOG IN THE TOWN OF WILSON TO ALLOW IT TO RUN AT LARGE, DEFINED AS BEING UNLEASHED AND ON PROPERTY OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, ENGAGE IN HABITUAL LOUD HOWLING, BARKING, CRYING OR WHINING, CAUSE DAMAGE TO PROPERTY, HARASS ANY PERSON , CHASE VEHICLES OR BE UNLICENSED. VIOLATORS SHALL BE SUBJECT TO A FINE IN TOWN COURT.

PLANNING BOARD

Mike Seeley, Chair
Vanik Aloian
Charlie Milne
David Warsocki
James Jackson
Jory RoBlee

ZONING BOARD

John Sinclair, Chair
Corey Harmon
Robin Mignella
John Moley
Brian Peck
Alt: Amy Wiltse

RECREATION BOARD

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Steve Frerichs Co-Chair
Gary Darnell
Charlie Milne

BOARD OF ASSESSMENT & REVIEW

Mike Clark, Chair
Lou Faery
James Fenn
Randall Galyen
Kevin King



The Town of Wilson is planning their **ELECTRONIC RECYCLING** for **TOWN of WILSON RESIDENTS** on **May 18th, 2024**, and **August 17th, 2024** from 8:00 am—12:00 pm at the Town Highway Garage.

Please be ready to show proof of residency when bringing in electronics to drop off. Due to a new State law, **REGULATIONS HAVE BEEN CREATED WHERE NOBODY CAN PAY ANYTHING FOR ELECTRONICS RECYCLING, NOT CONSUMERS, NOT SITES! THE MANUFACTURER HAS TO TAKE AND PAY THE FULL COST OF TRUE ELECTRONICS RECYCLING, SO THERE IS NO CHARGE FOR RECYCLING ELECTRONICS (TVs)!**

WE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTING TIRES AT THIS EVENT

CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR ANY CHANGES TO THE SCHEDULING OR CALL THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE AT 751-6704 EXT. 2.

The **MARTIN JENNINGS AMERICAN LEGION Post 836** will hold their annual **MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY** May 27, 2024 at 10 am at the Greenwood Veterans Memorial Park on Park St. Wilson, N.Y. Guest speaker will be Vietnam Veteran and Retired Niagara County Sheriff Thomas Beilein.



The U.S. Air Force Honor Guard will honor those who made the ultimate sacrifice for our country. The ceremony will be dedicated to legion members who passed away this past year: Jim Muscoreil, John Johnson, John Freischlag and Gary Greenwald.

All are welcome to attend, bring a chair! The legion will also hold a flag raising and perform taps at the Wilson Historical Society Fair at 12 noon.

Wilson Community Library

Happy Spring! The Library has so much going on these days. We have Family Storytime every 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month at 10:30am for children 5 and younger. We also have Paws for Reading on the 2nd Saturday of the month at 10:30am where you can come and read to an SPCA volunteer and their pup. On the last Thursday of the month at 7pm, we host our Novels by Night adult book club. We also have several other fun adult and children programs throughout the month, including adult recipe club and holiday themed story times! Make sure to keep up with our Facebook, Instagram, website and bulletin board. Our Summer Reading Program will be starting up soon for children and adults. It will run for 6 weeks from July 8th to August 17th. Make sure to sign up the week of June 24th. We will have great programs and prizes all summer long. Stop in soon to check out a book, movie, video game, board game, or puzzle!

Sincerely, Wilson Community Library

Meghan Brauer, Director





CELEBRATE WILSON – 2024

We had an eventful and successful 2023 and are looking forward to events coming in 2024. Our heartfelt thanks go out to our Community and supporters, and hope that you enjoyed what we had to offer. CW hopes you received the Town/Village Calendar of Events 2024 in the mail, if not please call 716-751-0165 and let us know and we will forward one to you.

The second annual “LEON Festival”, that is Noel spelled backwards, a half way to Christmas event, is returning June 15th. We are asking you to decorate for Christmas on that day. We have encompassed all of the community in the new event and it coincides with the Annual Soccer Tournament on Father’s Day weekend. Everyone wants this to continue as a new event in our Town/Village which includes the churches, businesses, not-for-profits and the fire hall. The big day will offer a vendor fair with much to see and do and lots of food and entertainment. Watch for fliers for a list of all that will be going on.

Other CW events are our “Pre-Mother’s Day” Chiavetta’s Barbeque, Saturday, May 11th to begin our season—be sure to get your tickets, followed by the flowers in pots and barrels. Again, there will be music at the Gazebo in Martin’s Park in July and August then the annual August Basket Raffle. Again, these events are for you, the community. All proceeds earned through these events and fundraisers remain in our community! If you or your business would like to make a donation or sponsor one of these events please send your check and in the memo line on the check specify which event. Celebrate Wilson is a 501C3, your donation is tax deductible. Celebrate Wilson and its members again want to thank the community and especially the Village DPW for all its support.

Janet M. Hoffman, President
Celebrate Wilson



HISTORY IS ALIVE!

To all our Wilson neighbors, the Wilson Historical Society is deep in its planning for the 2024 Memorial Day Fair which will take place on Monday, May 27th, from 8am-4pm. The unofficial kickoff of the summer season in Wilson will again take place at 645 Lake Street museum grounds and fields. Parking is very limited, so save time, effort and money and take the free shuttle from the parking lots in the village! Featuring Chiavetta’s BBQ Chicken, Dogs, Burgers, sno-cones, and cotton candy along with several food trucks offering other delights. Many vendors of crafts, flea market items and more! Offering pony rides this year for kids, come check out the fair and see your neighbors! They’re bound to be there, so see you at the fair!

In other news, our season of the Douglas Walch Memorial speaker series has brought many exciting and interesting presentations to Wilson! This year we learned about “Salt— An American Gold Rush”, “The Music of Ireland” with Wilson’s own Tom Keefer, “Songs & Stories of the Civil War”, “Getting Dressed in the 1880’s”, “Historic Quilts”, and a presentation on “Joseph Ellicott – Surveyor of most of WNY” by another Wilson alum, Dennis Upton. Our final program for the season will be welcoming the Niagara County Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 268 when they present their program, “Our Photo Album” presentation of hundreds of the photos taken by Niagara’s own veterans during their service during the war on Tuesday, April 16th, 2024 from 7-8pm. Remember, these programs are open to the public and completely FREE. Get out and learn about your local history, you might learn something and how can that be bad?!

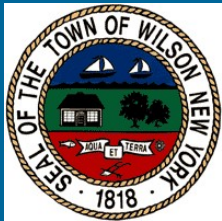
Many thanks to our volunteers who commit to help us with the Fair and other events throughout the year and especially our Trustees who form the core of our small but dedicated group! Come join us! – Call the clerk’s office at town hall for more information on how to join!

Warm regards, John Sinclair – President.

TOWN OF WILSON

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 Wilson, New York 14172

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 Email:
Wilson.townclerk@gmail.com



TOWN OF WILSON OFFICIALS

Supervisor	Wm. Anthony Evans	751-6704/628-4541
Town Clerk/Tax	A. Diane Muscoreil	751-6704/751-9213
Councilmen	E. Anne Basile	751-6704
	Stephen Frerichs	751-6704
	Michael Leggett	751-6704
	Timothy Kropp	751-6704
Highway /Water	James Pringle	751-6691/628-6968
Assessor	Jim Bird	751-6705
Bldg. Inspector	Travis Evans	751-6705 X3
Dog Control	Stan Culverwell	622-6198
	Rich Culverwell	946-6882
Town Constable	Dave Warsocki	531-2992
Town Justices	Robert Botzer	751-6704 X4
	Maria Evans	751-6704 X8
Water Supt.	James Pringle	751-6213/628-6968

The Wilson Community Farmer's Market is Back!
 2024 Season Join Us in a New Location!

The Wilson Community Farmer's Market will be joining Brownie's Car Cruise Night!

- WEEKLY TUESDAY -

Brownie's
CAR CRUISE NIGHT

Brownie's Car Cruise Night
 Every Tuesday, May 7 - Sept.
 5:00 - 8:00

Wilson Community Farmer's Market
 Every Tuesday, June 4 - Sept.
 4:30 - 7:30

You'll find all the things you love about the Market along with cars, live entertainment, food and ice cream!

Brownie's Custard Stand / Eats and Treats
 166 Harbor Street Wilson NY 14172