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Talk of the Town

New Town of Gaines Website!

One of the priorities for 2018 has been the creation of a new, modern website. The previous website was mostly unchanged since the first version that launched in 2010!

The Town Board chose C&H PC of Medina, NY to help with the initial design, and the new site launched in mid-April. Since then, we've been loading new content on the website, moving things around to help make it easy to navigate, and keeping it up to date with fresh information.

Some of the highlights of the new website include:

- Easily viewed on your mobile device
- An events calendar, where the events have the relevant documents attached right to the event
- Pages for information of interest to the town and for the historian. Each of these
 pages have interesting topics posted there, and will continue to have new information added in the future.
- Information like the Town Clerk's Report and Town Supervisor's Report for each month are available for viewing and download.

Most of the content from the previous website has been moved to the new website. If you can't find something you need, just send us an email or give us a call!

The website address hasn't changed. Go to www.townofgaines.org to check it out!

Town Board Meetings have a new look

During this year's Town Board Meetings, we've started displaying information relevant to the public on the wall via a projector at our meetings. This allows us to show more detailed information on the agenda topics for the people in attendance. Some of the more detailed information being shared include:

- A synopsis of the Town Supervisor's Report that is required to be provided each month. This report is also available on the town website.
- Information on the abstracts (the list of bills the board is approving to pay each month)
- Background information on other agenda items.

We've received great feedback about this new approach to sharing information during board meetings. We think you'll be pleased if you attend. Everyone is always welcome.



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News from the Town Clerk

Dogs! Dogs! Dogs!

If you own a dog or have a new puppy and have not yet registered him/her at the Town, you should do so at your earliest convenience. Proof of rabies vaccination is required. Rates for a Dog License is \$15 for unspayed/unneutered or \$7 for a spayed/neutered.

Going Fishing?

Don't forget to get your fishing license! Remember, the Town receives revenue for each license sold, therefore, it's in your best interest to purchase it from your Town Clerk.

Water Billing

The Town of Gaines bills for water quarterly. Payment is required approximately 3 weeks after you receive the bill (look at your bill for the exact date). Payments may be mailed, put in the drop box at the Town Hall, or paid on-line at www.townofgaines.org. Just click on the faucet. There is a small fee for using the on-line payment option.

Other news...

Orleans County is holding the annual HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DAY on Saturday, August 18! Now is the time to dispose of those household chemicals the garbage men won't take, such as oil-based paints, solvents, pesticides, aerosols, motor oil, antifreeze, propane tanks, and more. You MUST register to take part in this event. Please call (585) 589-3198.

Orleans County Public Health Department still has rabies clinics available for dogs, cats and ferrets:

- August 25th 9-11:30 AM at the Town of Shelby Highway Bldg., 4062 Salt Works Rd., Medina
- October 13th 9-11:30 AM at the Orleans County Highway Bldg., 225 W. Academy St., Albion Please bring proof of prior vaccinations

News from the Highway Superintendent

The Highway crew has been busy! Just recently completed the paving and shoulder work on Allen's Bridge Road.

Roadside mowing is underway and on-going.

Although it's summer, and no one wants to hear about winter; the salt has been mixed and we are ready for next winter.