



FROM THE SUPERVISOR'S DESK
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It's hard to believe that it is almost the end of July! The summer is quickly flying by. I hope you are all enjoying it and taking advantage of the various activities in the area. I will highlight a few things so as to keep you informed.

1. The FUND awarded us a grant for \$3500.00 which enabled us to obtain the services of a grant writer to apply for funding for the WWTP. As a result we were awarded a WQIP grant from the Department of State \$230,625 for upgrades to benefit our Sewer Districts. Over the years The FUND has been most generous to our town
2. The Decker and Dodd Hill detour, which was needed due to the road/wall repairs on Lakeshore Drive (9N), took a toll, not only on the road, but on the people who had to use it and on those who live there. The road/wall has been repaired and the paving on 9N is complete.
3. We are working on Banners that will honor our VETERAN'S; it is taking a little longer than we anticipated. We would prefer that the individual have a connection to Hague, preference will be given to those born/raised here. If you have a loved one that you would like to put on a banner you can get the application(s) from Bertha at the Community Center, it must be completed and returned with the pertinent information and a picture, in uniform, from the chest up. In the meantime, we have ordered some Spring/Summer banners that we hope to have up in the next week or so and then come fall some Fall/Winter banners.
4. The Town Board voted to come up with a Park Improvements Master Plan for the Town Park. It is a beautiful attraction we would like to make the most of that asset. The Town has contracted with the LA Group to come up with a conceptual plan that we can use to apply for a Lake Front Revitalization grant. There will be a public meeting on August 5th at 7:00 pm to discuss how to enhance/improve/revitalize our park. We look forward to your attendance at this meeting and your offering of constructive comments/suggestions/ideas. If you cannot attend you may email me at supervisor@townofhague.org with the subject line being Town Park.
5. Warren County is again hosting, on August 3rd, a household hazardous waste collection at Warren County DPW, 4028 Main Street, Warrensburg from 9am until 2pm. You must register on-line, by mail or fax.
6. The Floating Classroom will be at the Town Launch at 11 o'clock on August 6th for anyone interested in learning some interesting facts about the lake. Reservations are required; call 518-668-3558 to make one.
7. At a county meeting we were advised of the millions in unclaimed funds that NYS has. Go to the Office of the State Comptroller on your computer to see if you have any unclaimed funds, maybe you will be lucky.
8. Don't forget—every Wednesday is Music in the Park—starts at 7, goes until 9. We have a great lineup for the concerts. If you can't attend them all, pick a couple.

Highway did a great job with the roads this winter. They started using the brining system where they pretreat before a storm. The town is making a determined effort to cut down on the salt usage and thus cut down on the amount of salt which enters the lake.

I attended the Grand Opening of the Charles R. Wood Environmental Park and Festival Commons on May 29th. It has taken years in coming to fruition and it is a beautiful park. All the organizations involved were present, speeches given, a lunch reception had and tours of the Wetlands were given by Randy Rath.

Steve Ramant is working diligently on Knotweed eradication. We received funding from the Land Conservancy to help with the eradication. Steve is also working on a MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) with towns bordering the Lake regarding aquatic invasive species prevention. He devotes many hours to protecting the Lake. The Park, which opened June 27th, is fully staffed for the summer.

On the county level: RFP's (to purchase or lease) were sent out regarding the railroad, only one party was interested – United Rail. We are in negotiations with them. The FAA decided Warren County Airport does not need the 1000' extension, so that is now off the table. At the June county board meeting we adopted the NYS climate smart communities pledge on behalf of planning and community development. We also approved the tentative operating budget for the fiscal year 2019-2020 for Adirondack Community College and had a public hearing on it on June 19th.

Our landfill continues to be a losing proposition and a solution needs to be found. The board is looking into other options, some of which were a weigh system or individual curbside pickup by private enterprises.

Warren County is seeking to provide public access via a hiking trail to Hague's historic fire tower on Swede Mountain. The fire tower, built in 1918, was decommissioned in the late 1960s, when the state decided that forest fire detection by aircraft was more efficient. Warren County Public Works Superintendent Kevin Hajos has evaluated the fire tower's condition, and estimates that it could be renovated and restored for public use for about \$3,000. Unfortunately, the condition of the old ranger cabin does not lend itself to restoration.

I am here daily so if you have questions or concerns, please feel free to call. Enjoy the rest of your summer.

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QUOTE:

"Take chances, make mistakes. That's how you grow. Pain nourishes your courage. You have to fail in order to practice being brave." Mary Tyler Moore

