

**Dear New Employee** 

Welcome to employment with Schoharie County and thank you for the service to the people of Schoharie County!

You have chosen to work with a group of extraordinary people. Local government employees significantly contribute to the quality of life here in Schoharie County. Your contributions will improve the functioning of government and the lives of those around you.

As a County employee, you are eligible to join our Union. Membership is not required. A recent Supreme Court case has decided that employees are no longer required to contribute to the maintenance of the contracted items contained in our current agreement. What status these employees hold or the effect on guaranteed benefits has not been decided. Simply, employees who decide not to join the public-sector Union are not required to pay fair share dues.

Joining the Union now, will ensure that you are able to vote on the next contract, participate in the direction our Union will take in the future, and perhaps most importantly as a new employee, ensure you are covered under the current contract negotiated by CSEA and receive all the benefits provided as a CSEA member. The packet of information you are receiving now contains information on these benefits.

If you choose to join our Union, please follow our Facebook page @CSEA848 to keep in touch with your Union and abreast of upcoming events. Please frequent our web site and subscribe to receive notifications of meetings and newsletters.

The executive board, listed to the left, are available to assist you at any time with employment related questions or concerns.

Thank you

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