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# Village of Avoca Newsletter

Fall **2025** 

County of Steuben State of New York 3 Chase Street Avoca, NY, 14809 (607) 566-8511



## **News and Events**

Look the Village of Avoca up on Facebook or villageofavoca.org

## **Village Office Hours:**

Monday 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM
Tuesday 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM
Wednesday 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM
Thursday 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM
2nd Thurs 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM
Friday 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM
NEW SATURDAY HOURS
2nd Sat 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM

### **Contact Information:**

**Mayor** Eric Tyner (607) 281-8617

mayor@villageofavoca.org

**Clerk/Treas.** Valerie Saltsman (607) 566-8511

clerk@villageofavoca.org

### **Street & Water Supervisor:**

Tony Comstock (607) 566-2475 **streets@villageofavoca.org** 

#### **Trustees:**

- Lannie James Gay
- Andrew Hubbard
- Donald Rodbourn
- Marcia Rowe Smalt

### **Zoning Officer:**

Beth Peck (607) 368-3571

### **Dog Control Officer:**

Gary Hadsell (607) 382-4785

#### Assessor:

Laura Snow (607)566-8511 Thursdays 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Website: villageofavoca.org

# Village News:

Please join us for our Village Board Meetings on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Town/Village Hall.

# **NOTICES**

### <u>Village Tax Bills – Due by</u> <u>October 31st</u>

Any bills unpaid by that time will be sent to the County for relevy.

### <u>FINAL NOTICE for Water</u> <u>Meter Upgrades</u>

For properties that have not changed over to the new meters, a penalty will remain in effect. Contact the Street/Water Supervisor to schedule the change.

### **NEW FOIL POLICY**

The Village is currently in the process of implementing a new FOIL Policy to include electronic requests for public documents.

Please contact the Village Clerk for information on requesting any public documents.

## **Upcoming Events:**

September 3

First Day of School

September 7

Park It for the Parks (Ag-Fest)

@ Memorial Park

12:00 PM to 3:00 PM

September 11

Village Board Meeting – 7:00 PM

Public Hearing – Intra-Departmental Loan for Culvert Project

September 22

Planning Board Meeting – 7:00 PM

October 9

Village Board Meeting – 7:00 PM

October 13

Columbus Day

October 27

Planning Board Meeting – 7:00 PM

October 31

Trick or Treat 6:00 to 8:00 PM

November 2

**Daylight Savings Time** 

If you have messages for our electronic sign or have information for our newsletter, please email:

## clerk@villageofavoca.org

The sign should only be used for milestones or announcements for the Avoca area.

## Community Updates:

The application process for South Main Solar Farm discussions continue with the Village Planning Board and Board of Trustees, as the current application has been modified to reduce the number of solar panels to be placed on the Village parcel of land. The application process will continue at the next Planning Board meeting on September 22, 2025. The current plans are available at the Village Hall for review by residents and if there on any questions regarding the proposed project.

# Third Quarter Water Bill Announcement

Due to a mechanical malfunction with a piece of equipment used to read water meters in the Village, the third quarter water bills had to be estimated. Efforts are being made to fix or replace the malfunctioning equipment for the next water meter reading for the fourth quarter when any adjustments needed will be made to this quarter's attached water bill.

With this equipment issue being addressed, the Village is currently seeking the \$50,000 grant for the CDBG funds and we ask your help with providing a **Letter of Support** for this grant and the \$1.5 million dollar construction grant in the near future by providing a **Letter of Support**.

If any resident can provide a **Letter of Support** for this process and deliver to the Village Clerk or mail to the Village Hall, your support would be highly appreciated.

- Each letter needs to be unique in format, but in your letter if you could follow the following outline:
- Please state your name, address and date of the letter• Please state your letter is in reference to the Village of Avoca CDBG Grant process
- Please state any issues that you have / are having with your Village water system, such as low pressure, sediment, discolored water, disruptions, meter issues, etc.
- Please include a short paragraph in regards to your support for the outlined Engineering Study to the current Village Water System.

### Message from the Mayor

As summer comes to a close, our municipal projects are being wrapped up throughout the Village. Projects updates include:

- 1. The East Avenue Culvert Replacement project continues with the final plan approval with NYS DOT and the selection of the construction firm for the new bridge planned for the summer of 2026.
- 2. The Village has submitted the application for the \$50,000 CDBG Grant for the Water System Engineering Study with HUNT Engineering. If any resident of business would like to submit a Letter of Support for this project please contact the Village Clerk.
- 3. The Village is installing video surveillance camera systems at both Hees and Memorial Parks to monitor the recent acts of vandalism that has been reported. These camera systems are designed to cover all angles at each park.
- 4. The new sidewalk down River Street to Hees Park is in the final stage of completion.
- 5. The Village Board is still exploring new sidewalks down South Main Street to Route 415 through various avenues. Further updates on this project will be announced in the future.
- 6. The brick base around the new flagpole for Hees Park has been installed.

Please feel free to contact me at the Village Hall or call me at 607-281-8617 with any questions.

Mayor Eric R. Tyner



### LEAF/BRUSH PICK-UP

Grass, weeds, and small branches must be placed in 30 gallon or less biodegradable paper bags and set out by the road. Larger branches/brush must be no longer than 6ft in length and have a maximum diameter of 3" placed neatly on side of the road.

Fourth Annual Park it for the Parks (AgFest) September 7, 2025 12:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Memorial Park on Steuben Street

Please join other residents and visitors for the car, truck, tractor and motorcycle show and other events to raise funds to the Avoca Parks!