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Village of Avoca Newsletter

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Village of Avoca News and Events

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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 Friday 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM Second Saturday Morning Fourth Wednesday Evening

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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 2nd Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Town/Village Hall.

NOTICES:

Village Water Bills

Water bills not paid by April 10 will be relevied to the Village 2025-26 tax bill coming out June 2025.

Cemetery Fee Changes

The new fee schedule passed by the Village Board of Trustees on November 14, 2024 for Valley View and Highland Cemeteries is now in effect as of January 1, 2025 and is available at the Village Hall.

The new policy and fee schedule is being posted on the new Village of Avoca website at

villageofavoca.org

Upcoming Events:

Wednesday, March 5th

• Budget Workshop @ 6 PM

Sunday, March 9th

- Daylight Savings Time begins
 Thursday, March 12th
 - Thursday, March 13th
- Public Culvert Meeting @ 5PM
- Budget Workshop @ 6 PM
- Village Board Meeting @7PM
- Public Hearing Modified
 Handicap Parking Law @ 7PM
 All meetings will begin at the end of the preceding meeting

Monday, March 17th

• St. Patrick's Day Celebration

Wednesday, March 19

- First Day of Spring
- Budget Workshop

Thursday April 10th

• Village Board Meeting @7PM

Thursday May 8th

Village Board Meeting @7PM

Sunday, May 11th

Mother's Day

Monday, May 26th

 Parade at 10AM with Commemorative Service Following

If you have messages for our electronic sign, please email the office at

clerk@villageofavoca.org

The sign should be used for milestones or announcements for the Avoca area. Any information for the newsletter can also be sent to the village clerk.

Community Updates:

Public Service Announcement

The Village has been made aware of alternative energy companies are in the area soliciting residents door-to door for provider services. We remind all residents to be mindful and cautious when dealing with any company or entity if releasing any personal or financial information. Further information can be reviewed at the following link:

https://dos.ny.gov/news/consumer-alert-new-york-department-states-division-consumer-protection-provides-tips-avoid

As many residents are aware, a proposed Solar Farm Project is being discussed and an application has been submitted to the Village for review and processing with the Village Planning Board. This application is for the section of the proposed project on the Village parcel only, as the Village has separate Land Use and Zoning Laws. While the Village is working in conjunction with the Town on this proposed project, the part of this project on the Town parcel will be reviewed and processed through the Town of Avoca Planning Board.

The Village approved retaining an attorney and engineer specializing in solar projects, as the Town did, and this service will be paid for their services from an escrow account established and paid for by Delaware River Solar. There will be a Village Planning Board Public Hearing for the proposed solar project in the near future at a date to be announced. Below is a map of the proposed solar farm project site at the end of South Main Street.



Message from the Mayor

The multiple municipal projects continue throughout the Village through these cold months. Projects updates include:

- 1. There will be a Public Hearing for the East Avenue Culvert Replacement project. Due to various facts and concerns, the replacement date has been moved back to the summer of 2026 and with the increased construction costs plans are being considered for a one lane bridge with 5-foot sidewalk. The date of the Public Hearing will be March 13, 2025 at 5:00 PM.
- 2. The Water System Upgrade Grant is being explored and RFPs with cost estimate have been received from 5 engineering firms.
 These are currently under review for the Engineering Study and Recommendations for the current Village water system.
- 3. Other grants continue to be explored for park renovations and improvements this summer. A new flagpole for Hees Park has been donated and will installed in the spring near the scoreboard to Hees Park.

The Village purchased a new Ford 550 with plow for the street department and is now in service. Also purchased from Equipment Reserves was a new multi-use plow for the tractor to service the sidewalks, water system locations and cemeteries.

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

Mayor Eric R. Tyner



If you would like to rent the Pavillion at any of the parks: Memorial, Hees or Gazebo, please contact the village clerk, Christine for a use application:

clerk@villageofavoca.org

SNOW REMOVAL REMINDER

There is no parking permitted on Village streets from November 1 through April 1 from 1:00 AM to 6:30 AM for snow removal. Also a reminder to all residents, it is a violation of NYS law to remove snow from private property and push onto a public sidewalk or street. Therefore, please be reminded that when shoveling, snow blowing or plowing snow, do not deposit this snow on the village streets or sidewalks. Thank you to all residents for your cooperation.