Wawarsing Water District

Turkey Hill Area Easements FAQs

- What is an easement?
 - An easement is a written document that provides permission for the Town to install the water main in the street.
- Why do we need a Water Line Easement from you?
 - Due to road widths and road setbacks the Town needs permission from you to install a buried/underground water pipe along the edge of or under the road pavement.
- What are my responsibilities as the property owner in terms of this easement?
 - The easement allows us (The Town) to bury the pipe in the roadway area.
 - We (The Town) are responsible for the maintenance of the waterline not you.
 - We (The Town) will file the authorized easement with Ulster County on your behalf to remain with your land deeds.
 - o The property owner and the Town will sign an easement and complete a TP-584 form.
 - The Town will file the easement with the County Clerk.
- What happens once the easements are signed and filed with the County?
 - Once the easements are filed, the Town will bid and award a contract to install the waterline. The waterline installation is intended to have minimal disruption to you.
- What do we need to do to complete the easement?
 - You should receive a package, delivered by the USPS, from the Town. The package includes the easement description and the TP-584.
 - The easement and TP-584 form needs to be signed by the property owner(s). The easement also requires notarization.
 - To best assist and keep the project moving forward, we need you to return the paperwork within two weeks of receiving the letter and/or schedule an appointment to come to Town Hall (108 Canal Street, Ellenville) and notarize your signature(s).
- What is form TP-584?
 - This form is a legal document that needs to be completed with all easement related activities. The form gets completed and filed with the County.
- How can I set up an appointment to get my forms notarized?
 - Please contact the Town Supervisor Confidential Legislative Aide, Tracy Moza (845)647-7800 ext. 6. Tracy will set an appointment time with you.
- I thought the Turkey Hill Rd Area was not apart of the proposed project. Why do you need an easement from us?
 - The Turkey Hill Rd area is not part of the Wawarsing Water District but the project.
 However, we are considering placement of the waterline on the local roads to allow for possible future water services in the Turkey Hill Area.
 - Depending on the easements received and the cost of construction the Town may be able to place the waterline close to these homes for a future connection.
- When can homes in the Turkey Hill Area get water?
 - Once the District construction is completed the Town can consider having outside district user agreements for Turkey Hill homes.
- What happens if the Turkey Hill Rd Area is not constructed?

- o If the Town decides to construct a waterline in the future, it will not be included in the current project budget and will be paid for by the users at that time.
- What if I can not complete the paperwork in the next two weeks?
 - We ask that you call and make an appointment
- How much will this cost me?
 - There is no charge for the easement or filing the paperwork.
 - If the waterline is constructed through the Turkey Hill Area as part of the project, there is no charge for the watermain.
 - If a service connection is granted for the Turkey Hill area homes, in the future, the property owner will be responsible for the water service line that runs from the road to the house.
- When will construction start?
 - Construction will start after all easements have been obtained for this part of the project and the project has been bid and awarded to a Contractor.
 - We would like construction to start the summer of 2020.
 - For more information and updates about construction, please visit the Updates section of the Website (https://www.wwdistrict.com/updates)
- How can I help?
 - Complete or schedule an appointment with the Town and get your paperwork returned.
 - To schedule your appointment, reach out to Town Supervisor Confidential Legislative Aide, Tracy Moza (845)647-7800 ext. 6. Tracy will schedule an appointment time with you.
 - Please reach out to your neighbors and ask if they have received and completed their paperwork.
- What if I didn't get an easement package from the Town?
 - Please reach out to Jeff Liebowitz of the Chazen Companies (845)486-1526 or Town Attorney, Bill Collier, Esq. (845)647-4000.
- What if I don't understand the easement and/or I have questions about the easement?
 - Please reach out to Town Attorney, Bill Collier, Esq. (845)647-4000.
- Why are our homes in the Turkey Hill area not part of the Water District and we are not getting water services?
 - The NYCDEP worked with USGS to establish the limits of the water district.
 - As part of the water district that was formed in 2019, the NYCDEP has agreed to finance the construction of the water district.
 - If the Town would like to add homes or businesses to the water district, they must do so, after the initial work is complete.
- What if my neighbors don't want to provide an easement?
 - o If the Town can not get the support from all the properties in this area and complete their easement paperwork, the waterline will remain located along Route 209.
 - o There would be no waterline installed in the Turkey Hill area.
 - A waterline installed at a future time would not be part of the current project budget and would be paid for by the property owners.