



April 2021



Mayor's Message

Spring has arrived in the village with yard work, blooming trees and flowering plants, and plans for improvements. This year we have planned for road and sidewalk repairs that were delayed last year due to the pandemic. Swing seats in Hickory Park will be replaced and the staff has designed a replacement section for the playground which will be installed this spring.

Safety in the village has been an ongoing concern of mine, and with nicer weather, three businesses moving to Main Street this year, and more vehicle and pedestrian traffic, I have been meeting with the Department of Transportation and the Sheriff to plan for increased protections. Deputy Sheriff Eric Andre has been assigned to patrols in Bergen; he has experience in village patrols and will be an asset to our community safety. A portable speed sign from the county will be installed on Rochester Street this spring, and the temporary speed bump has been requested to be installed on Munger Street for the summer. There will be an increase in overall patrols in the village for speed control for daily traffic and tractor trailers. These additional patrols have been carried over from last year's decrease due to COVID.

The DOT has agreed to a traffic study in the village over the next 2 months to update signage, new lane lines and bike markings will be painted, and crosswalk markers will be installed. Parking spaces will also be marked.

Due to excessive parking violations in the village, the board has approved a \$75 fine for parking infractions which has been added to the local law.

Through the efforts of the representatives of the Triangle Club, Legion Ladies Auxiliary, and Friends of Bergen, Hometown Hero Banners honoring current service members have arrived, and will be hung by our staff on poles south of the business district by Memorial Day. Look for 7 new bricks in our Veterans Walkway in Hickory Park.

I have been able to secure funds through the Streetscape portion of the Main Street grant to have shingle signs made for Ralph and Rosie's, the American Legion, Greg'ry's, and the new laundromat. Welcome to The Laundry Lounge!!

Kris Pangrazio has been hired as a part time seasonal employee to assist with septic tank pumping and overall groundskeeping. We are interviewing candidates for the position of full time MEO.

On behalf of the village, I would like to thank Kirk Roberts for his work in the village over the last 13 years; you can see Kirk's handiwork in the Tulley Building, Sage Pavilion, and village parks. We wish Kirk all the best in his new endeavors.

Enjoy the warming weather!!

Mayor Anna Marie Barclay

American Legion Memorial Day Celebration

May 31, 2021 9:30 am Hickory Park

No parade due to COVID restrictions

Thomas F. Williamson: Legion Commander – “Please remember that Memorial Day is a day set aside to honor those men and women who gave their lives for a free America. Take some time in your day to remember and honor those lives lost in order that we can enjoy a free America.

Our American Legion Post invites all armed service and honorably discharged Veterans in our community to become a member. We welcome any support you can provide for our Veterans in need, our scholarship fund to BBCS, and the children's summer camp in the village

Tickets for our annual Memorial Day Raffle (meat package, gift cards, money, and large screen tv) are available, 7 tickets for \$5.00.

Please call the Legion Wednesday through Saturday after 4pm at 494-2232, or 494-1627 anytime for further information.”





Village Emergency Contact Numbers

Electric 353-0981
Sewer 353-3659



Remember that you are allowed one bulk item per week along with your toter and recycle bin. Please respect your neighbors and neighborhood by not leaving large piles out for refuse pickup for extended periods of time.

Please refrain from driving off road vehicles through our parks, streets and sidewalks. It is illegal and the sheriff's office will be watching for violators.



Save the Date

Brush Pickup

Began April 5th.
Brush and bagged leaves will be picked up each Monday, weather permitting



BBCA BERGEN PARK MINI FEST

June 12, 2021 Hickory Park

3pm – 7pm Chiavetta's Drive thru Chicken BBQ

6:30pm – 9:30 pm Charlie Mitchell Band

9:30pm Annual Fireworks Display

Barbecue tickets can be reserved by sending a check made payable to BBCA to Village of Bergen, PO Box 100, Bergen, NY 14416 with notation BBCA Chicken BBQ



Village Information



Burn Ban In Effect

Reminder! Annual Burning Ban in effect until May 14th

All residential brush burning is prohibited in smaller communities during the state's historically high fire-risk period from **March 16 through May 14th.**

Several factors enable wildfires to start easily and spread quickly at this time, including the lack of green vegetation, abundance of available fuels such as dry grass and leaves, warm temperatures and wind.

Important Sewer Account Message

Just a reminder that sewer arrears must be paid by **April 30th** to avoid being sent to Genesee County to be put on the Village Taxes.

If you are unsure of your balance, please don't hesitate to contact our office, we would be happy to assist you.



Our 2021 Community Garden has a limited number of 4' x 10' plots available. The cost is \$25 per plot. If you are interested, please contact the Office.



The office will be closed Monday, May 31st in honor of Memorial Day