



Mayor's Message

It is with great pride that I am writing this newsletter as your new mayor. Serving the residents of our village is truly an honor. I would like to thank Anna Marie Barclay for her 24 years of service, dedication, and untiring commitment to both the village board, and numerous civic organizations in our community.

On April 9th, the Easter bunny made an appearance at Hickory Park for the annual Easter Egg Hunt. As parents gathered and socialized, excited children played on the playground, while anxiously waiting to sprint for colorful eggs, in hopes to find a golden ticket. A fun time was had by all. I would like to thank the Bergen Business and Civic Association for sponsoring this community event.

Spring has sprung, with flowers blooming. I am sure I will be seeing many of you doing yard work, while enjoying the fresh air. Our Department of Public Works will also be busy completing projects around the village. We have already completed the removal of the excess stone from village streets thanks to the mutual aid supplied by the village of Churchville. They were instrumental in completing this task and we are grateful for their assistance. Other projects will include road maintenance, sidewalk replacement/repair, catch basin cleaning/repair, and aggressively addressing stormwater infiltration into our wastewater sewer system. As you are cleaning up your yards, I would like to remind you that brush pickup is on Mondays. Our crew will make one pass on all village streets with one truckload maximum per week.

In closing, I would like to wish all mothers a Happy Mother's Day on May 8th. I hope you are able to enjoy time with your family.

Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions or concerns. I can be reached at jchimino@villageofbergen.com or (585)703-2875.

Mayor Joseph M. Chimino

Robert "Bob" Fedele 1940 - 2022



The Village of Bergen community has lost a wonderful friend and neighbor; a man who led a wonderful life, had a beautiful soul, and lived a life of kindness, a life of meaning which he willingly shared with family, friends, and neighbors.

Bob was so proud to serve as village trustee for 5 years; he served with integrity and dedication to seeking an understanding of his responsibilities so that his decisions were always in the best interest of the community. Bob arrived earliest to all meetings to review the bills and ask questions, called to get clarification between meetings to be sure he had accurate information to base his decisions, and to be able to answer questions accurately.

He worked just as hard at co-chair of the Bergen Farm Market, President of the BBBCA, and Chair of the Park Festival Car Show. Bob was an Air Force veteran.

His easy smile and greeting were always so welcoming, he was a kind and generous man.

Bob loved and respected his family, his friends, his community, and his country. Whenever you had a conversation with Bob you were reminded of how true this was.

Bob was a joy to work with, but more importantly, a joy to have as a friend. We are truly blessed to have shared our community with him.

Anna Marie Barclay



Village Emergency Contact Numbers

Electric 353-0981
Sewer 353-3659



Village Meetings

All meetings are open to the public

Five Easy Ways to Pay Your Electric or Sewer Bill:

- ◆ In Person at the Village Office, 11 North Lake Avenue 8am-4:30pm Monday through Friday
- ◆ By our secure drop box left of our front door
- ◆ By Mail to PO Box 100, Bergen, NY 14416
- ◆ Automatically with ACH Withdrawal from your checking account set up through the office
- ◆ FREE Secure Utility Payment Portal using your debit or credit card at www.villageofbergen.com

Board of Trustees

Second Wednesday of the month
6:30pm

Planning Board

Third Wednesday of the month
7pm
Agenda items must be submitted no later than ten days prior to the meeting

Zoning Board of Appeals

Fourth Thursday of the month
7pm
Agenda items must be submitted no later than ten days prior to the meeting

Save the Date

Public Hearing Notice

April 27th 6:30pm
Village Hall, 11 North Lake

In the matter of the adoption of the Electric, Sewer, and General Budgets. The proposed budget includes a 2% tax increase which will net the Village \$6,546 in additional revenue and a 3% wage increase for employees. Copies of the tentative budgets are available for inspection in the Village Administrator's Office.

School Budget Presentation

Wednesday, May 11th 6:30pm
Superintendent Pat McGee will be making a presentation to the Village Board regarding the 2022-2023 Byron-Bergen School Budget.

The office will be closed
Monday, May 30th
in honor of
Memorial Day



2022 Summer Recreation Program

Look for more information on the **SIX** weeks of our summer recreation program coming soon!

Memorial Day Parade

The American Legion is hosting a parade this year!
Monday, May 30th at 9am

It will begin at Buffalo Street and Lake Avenue and proceed south on Lake Avenue to Hickory Park where there will be a ceremony to honor our fallen servicemen and women.

Our 2022 Community Garden has a limited number of 4'x10' plots available. The cost is \$25 per plot. If you are interested, please contact the Village Office.



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.