



**October
2022**

Mayor's Message

I hope this newsletter finds all the village residents in good health and enjoying the sound of geese flying overhead and the beautiful fall colors. We all know what follows in western New York. Our village crews have begun readying village equipment for winter operations. Sidewalk replacements for this season are complete and our DPW crew will be milling lipped sidewalks this fall to eliminate trip hazards. Planting of trees in Hickory Park and on some village streets is taking place to enhance the beauty of our village. Hickory Park restroom renovation is now scheduled to begin the second week of November with construction taking place throughout the winter months. Much of the renovation is being accomplished in-house with village staff. The restrooms should be back in service in the spring of 2023.

I would like to thank Rene' Vurraro, Marianne Fleming, Heather Painting, Todd Cargill, and John Schuck for volunteering to serve on the Village Park and Tree committee. Thanks for all you do for our community.

I will be attending a New York Municipal Power Association meeting in Syracuse on October 25, to discuss the cost of power we purchase over and above our hydro allocation supplied from the New York Power Authority I will give a report of the meeting in the next newsletter.

Save the date- October 29, from 5pm-9:00pm. The Bergen Business and Civic Association and the Village of Bergen will be hosting the Halloween's Eve Festival and Historical Ghost Walk. The cost of this family friendly event is \$5.00 per person to support Imagination Library. This event is held at Hickory Park and Mount Rest cemetery. Food trucks, games/prizes, face painting, music and more. Bring the family out for some fall fun. Presale tickets are available and time slots for the tour can be reserved at the Byron-Bergen Public Library, hope to see you all there.

In closing have a safe and enjoyable Halloween, until next month be safe be healthy.

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

From the Desk of the Village Historian, Vicky Truax



We are so looking forward to the upcoming Halloween's Eve Festival and Historical Ghost Walk we didn't want to spoil any of the stories you might hear so we encourage you to attend the festival and hear it straight from the ghosts themselves!





Village Emergency Contact Numbers

Electric 353-0981
Sewer 353-3659



Village Meetings

All meetings are open to the public

Hometown Heroes Banner Program 2023



The Bergen Triangle Club, Ladies Auxiliary of the Sackett-Merrill-White American Legion, and the Friends of Bergen are proud to be a part of the Hometown Heroes Banner Program. The program serves as a tribute to recognize service men and women from Bergen who are currently serving our country in a branch of the military. Updated information and applications are available for Hometown Hero Banners at the village office, Legion Hall, and at

amb0330@rochester.rr.com. The deadline date for orders has been changed to **December 10, 2022** in order to insure the current fee (\$200.00). Please call 820-8594 with any questions.

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

Thermal Infrared Imaging



Thermal infrared imaging has become a valuable tool in performing energy audits in residential and commercial applications. We are again offering a **free infrared assessment on your home**. The assessment, complete with color photos and helpful information show areas of heat loss. If you are interested please **contact the Village Office**.

Save the Date

Village Tree Lighting

Monday, December 5th



A limited number of trees are available to decorate. Please contact the Village office to reserve yours today!

Office Closings

Friday, November 11th
In honor of Veteran's Day

Thursday and Friday,
November 24th and 25th
In celebration of Thanksgiving

Refuse Service **will not** be delayed for Veteran's Day nor Thanksgiving Day.

Pickups will be on Tuesday, November 8th and Tuesday, November 22nd as usual.



Change your Clocks/ Change your Batteries

Don't forget that at 2 a.m. on Sunday, November 6th, you will need to turn your clocks back one hour, marking the end of Daylight Saving Time. Time to change your smoke alarm batteries!

A fire can double in size every 30 seconds. The sound of the alarm will give you and your family those few extra seconds to get out and stay out of your home.

The Office of the Fire Marshal also recommends that one of the simplest things you can do to protect your family is changing the batteries in your smoke alarms/detectors and carbon monoxide detectors at the same time.

Any elderly or disabled residents who need assistance changing their smoke alarm batteries can call the office for this free service!