

TOWN OF DEERFIELD



July 2018

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A MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERVISOR

School is out and summer is here. As you are traveling either within the town or outside of the town, please keep an eye out for children either in or near the roads.

The following updates are provided:

Legislation – As communicated in the past, the Town has now tried for the fourth (4th) year to get the access road to Bank of America/SUNY POLY turned over to the state by introducing legislation in the Senate and Assembly and for the 4th year the Senate has stepped up and passed the legislation. The Assembly has turned their backs on the residents of the town by not advancing the legislation. Their lack of action has now forced the hand of the town board to either look at making costly repairs to the road that the town residents will have to pay for in higher taxes. I will be asking the town board to consider closing the road due to the high financial burden on the residents. It will be my goal to then get the Assembly to seriously consider helping out.

Speeding – Please be mindful of the speed limits in the town. We continue to get numerous complaints of speeding in residential neighborhoods. We have asked for increased police presence in these neighborhoods to deter the speeding.

ATV's/Dirt bikes – The trail systems within the town's parks are there to enjoy. Motorized vehicles are not allowed per local law. Signs have been posted indicating no motorized vehicles are allowed. The state police and sheriff's department have been instructed to arrest all folks who violate this local law. Please respect the trails and keep all motorized vehicles off of them. If you witness this activity on the trails, please call law enforcement.

Oneida County Sheriff – 315-765-2211

NYS Police – 315-366-6000

Salt/Sand Storage – The town board in conjunction with the Highway Superintendent are in the process of reviewing plans for an enclosed salt/sand storage building. This is being considered due to DEC regulations regarding the past practice of leaving these piles uncovered and salt leaching into water systems.

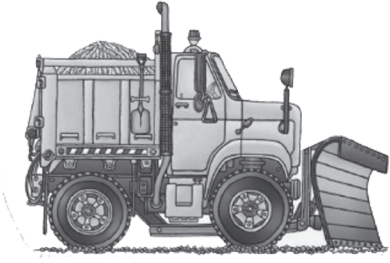
Thank you and have a happy and health summer!

Questions and comments can be directed to me at either supervisor@townofdeerfield.org or 724-0413 x250

Regards,

Scott P. Mahardy
Supervisor

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT



The Highway Department hopes everyone is doing well and has a fun filled summer planned. As I am writing this newsletter I would like to remind residents that school is out for the summer and there

will be more children playing in our parks and walking along our streets. **Please drive safely.**

As of five years ago the town moved to collecting green waste at the curb with a compactor. By collecting green waste in this manor it saves the Highway Department time in collection and keeps our town looking neat and gives us more time in our short summer months to complete other important projects. After five years of collecting green waste in this manor we are still getting green waste at the curb piled loose. The town will not be picking up loose green waste and will ask you to remove it from the curb. We are also noticing large debris such as tree stumps and large pieces of concrete that cannot be picked up by hand as we will not out with the loader to collect large heavy material. As a reminder, Residents can always bring their green waste and hard fill materials to the highway garage to dispose of. As I am driving around town I am noticing green waste and brush at the curb weeks before the collection starts. Green waste should not be put out more than 48 hours before the Scheduled collection date. The collection always starts and ends in the same places every month once we have gone by we will not be coming back until the next green waste date. **PLEASE DO NOT MIX ANMIAL FECES WITH YOUR GREEN WASTE.** Just to clear up some questions from new residents in town as to the definition of green waste, Grass clippings small plants shall be put out in a reusable container that can be dumped into our compactor. Tree trimmings and brush shall be put out to the curb piled net, no longer than 8' to be chipped by the highway crew.

Reminder to the town residents trash items can be brought to the highway garage at 6892 State Route 8 Deerfield during

our normal work hours, Monday through Thursday 6am to 4:30pm please call ahead and let us know when you can bring trash so we may have help available to assist. The town still has two Saturday collections left this year September 8 at the firehouse on Trenton road and October 20 at the Highway Garage on State route 8.

The Highway Department is looking at a very busy summer with some vary large road projects and the normal maintenance work that needs to be done. As we work on our projects the weather affects and delays what we do and the company's we work with for paving projects. We have started some of our road projects for the 2018 season and will continue to work on them until completion or the season won't allow us to complete the projects. As the Highway Department projects continue along please feel free to call **826-7014** with any questions.

In past newsletters I have talked about the DEC consent order for sewer system repairs in Oneida County. The process continues to move forward with a few informational programs in place. The first being called **OPERATION RIPPLE EFFECT** this is giving residents information about removing storm water from the sewer system, such as sump pumps and rain gutters to help with sewer overflows to the Mohawk river. A second program is called **DOWN THE DRAIN** this informs people about oil and greases being dumped down the drain and into the sanitary sewer system. This causes problems plugging up the system downstream and at the waste water treatment plant. As the process moves forward we are closing in on the DEC completion date of December 21, 2021. If anyone has been down by the waste water treatment plant to see the extensive work being done it is a very large project. Our meetings continue with the county and other municipalities involved.

Thank you and have a safe summer,

The Highway Department

DATES TO REMEMBER IN 2018:

July:

2nd - Green Waste Collection

August:

6th - Green Waste Collection

September:

4th - Green Waste Collection

8th - Trash (Trenton Road Firehouse)

October:

1st - Last green waste

20th - Trash at Town Garage



After last green waste we will be putting leaf collection equipment together we won't be collecting any more green waste.



FROM THE OFFICE OF BUILDING & CODES

Open Burning in the Town of Deerfield

Question & Answers on Regulations Effective from October 14, 2009

1. Do the regulations on open burning make burning household trash in burn barrels or piles illegal?

Yes. Burning trash is prohibited statewide in all cases. Our existing incinerator rule already prohibits burning household trash in wood stoves, fireplaces, and outdoor wood boilers. DEC recommends that you recycle all appropriate materials (such as newspaper, paper, glass and plastic) and compost your organic kitchen and garden waste.

Watch a PSA on open burning and check out other clips on DEC's YouTube Channel.

2. What are the regulations on open burning in New York State?

Effective on October 14, 2009, all open burning is prohibited

in New York with several exceptions including the following:

- Campfires less than 3 feet in height and 4 feet in length, width or diameter are allowed.
- Small cooking fires are allowed.
- Fires cannot be left unattended and must be fully extinguished.
- Only charcoal or clean, untreated or unpainted wood can be burned.
- Ceremonial or celebratory bonfires are allowed.

In towns with a total population less than 20,000, you may burn tree limbs with attached leaves. The limbs

must be less than 6 inches in diameter and 8 feet in length (also referred to as brush). **However, this is not allowed from March 16 through May 14 due to the increased risk of wildfires.**

See Section 215.3 (link leaves DEC's website) for a full list of exceptions.

3. Why has DEC changed the regulations allowing open burning in New York State?

Open burning of household trash releases dangerous compounds including arsenic, carbon monoxide, benzene, styrene, formaldehyde, lead, hydrogen cyanide and dioxin, among others. Open burning is also the single greatest cause of wildfires in New York.

4. Can I burn leaves if I live in a rural area?

No, burning leaves is banned in New York State. We encourage you to compost leaves.

5. Your rule says firewood must be untreated, some firewood is heat-treated, is that allowed?

Some firewood is heat treated (kiln dried) to control invasive insect species if it is to be transported over 50 miles. Heat treated firewood is not intended to be prohibited. However, the burning of chemically treated wood such as pressure-treated lumber and plywood is prohibited.

6. Are open fires allowed to control invasive plant and insect species?

Yes. Case-by-case DEC approval is not required.

7. Can agricultural wastes be burned?

Yes, organic agricultural wastes may be burned on-site where they are grown or generated including brush and wood produced by clearing fields and other activities. The fire must be located on contiguous agricultural land larger than 5 acres,

and the materials capable of being fully burned within 24 hours.

The burning of pesticides, plastics or other non-organic material is prohibited.

8. Can I burn liquid petroleum fueled smudge pots to prevent frost damage to crops?

Yes. However, burning tires and other wastes for smudge is not allowed.

9. Can prescribed burns be performed?

Yes. Prescribed burns, the burning of forest land to achieve a vegetative or wildlife management goal, can be performed but only in accordance with DEC regulations. Check with your regional DEC office.

10. Are fire training burning activities allowed?

Yes, with some restrictions on the use of acquired structures and in accordance with guidance from NYS Dept. of State's Office of Fire Prevention and Control. The Fire Services Bureau may be reached at 518-474-6746.

11. Are individual open fires to control plant and animal disease outbreaks allowed?

Yes, as approved case-by-case by DEC, upon the request by the Commissioner of Agriculture and Markets.

12. Can I dispose of a flag or religious item in an open fire?

Yes, in a small-sized fire if it is not otherwise prohibited by law or regulation.

Have a Safe and Fun summer season!

Why Spay and Neuter?

Spaying and neutering pets is important for many reasons, including: population control, health benefits, and behavioral improvements.

According to American Humane, approximately **3.7 million animals are euthanized at shelters each year** due to the sheer fact that there are not enough willing adopters. Pet overpopulation is a much larger issue than many people are aware of. For every human born today in the United States, 45 cats and 15 dogs will be born. Spaying and neutering your furry friends can help prevent this overpopulation epidemic. In just seven years one female cat and her offspring can produce 420,000 kittens. While one female dog and her offspring can produce 97,000 puppies in that same time frame. Whether a litter is intentional or accidental, it adds to these staggering, devastating statistics.

Spaying and neutering your pet can also improve its overall health. Spaying a female pet helps prevent uterine infections and breast cancer, which is fatal in about 50% of dogs and 90% of cats. Neutering male pets prevents testicular cancer, enlargement of the prostate gland and greatly reduces their risk for perianal tumors. This one time procedure will contribute to the health and happiness of your pet while likely helping you save money on veterinary care in the long run.

Lastly, the final benefit to spay and neuter, is the behavioral improvement in your pet. Intact animals are more likely to have unwanted behavioral tendencies such as humping, marking, aggression, and roaming. Spayed and neutered animals are far less likely to mark their territory by spraying strong-smelling urine all around your house. Spaying a female will eliminate the nervous pacing and messiness associated with heat cycles. Unaltered animals are also more likely to roam away from home in search of a mate. Even the most well-trained dog can be overwhelmed by the natural urge to mate. Studies show that neutering will decrease sexual roaming in about 90 percent of the cases.

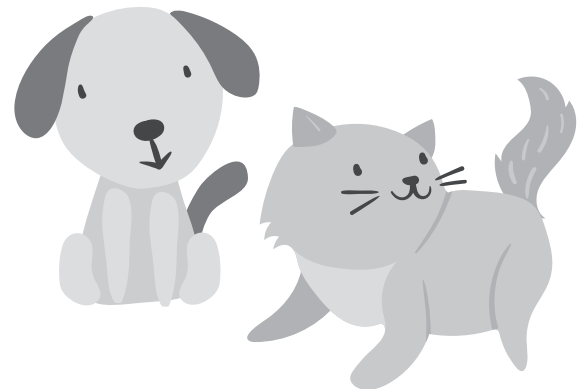
If the cost of spay and neuter is a concern for you or your family there are programs available in our area to help including:

- Spay and Neuter Syracuse
- Mohawk Valley Cat Care
- CNY SNAP (Spay and Neuter Assistance Program)

Another option to look into is Care Credit which is a financing for your spay and neuter procedures offered at many local veterinarians. If you have not done so already please consider spay or neutering your pet.

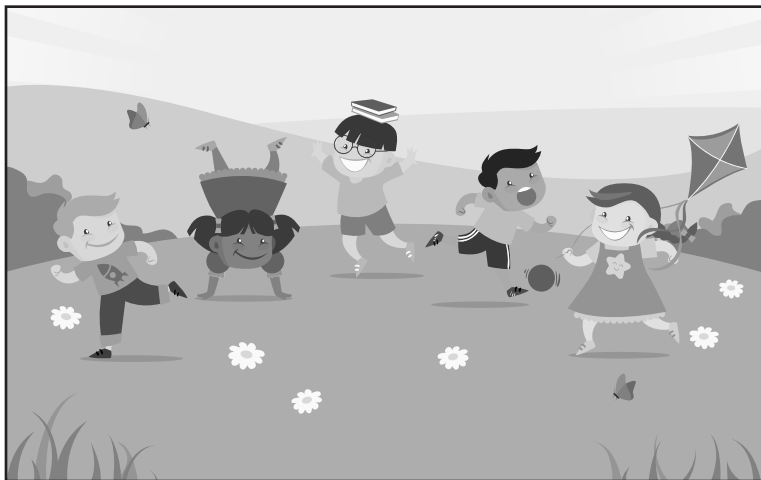
Thank you,
Andrea Brennan, Deerfield Animal Control

<https://www.americanhumane.org/fact-sheet/spayingneutering/>
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<https://www.ddfl.org/resource/the-canine-escape-artist/>



DEERFIELD YOUTH PROGRAM

The Deerfield Summer Park Program



We are so excited to announce that our Summer Park Program will begin on July 9th and run through August 16th 2018. As in the past years we will be open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8:30 until 3:00 pm. We have the same outstanding staff that your children enjoyed working with last year.

Jessica P – Youth Leader
Alex G – Youth Counselor
Mike C – Youth Counselor
Josh Z – Youth Councilor
John H – Youth Counselor
Kyle J – Youth Counselor
Olivia Z – Youth Counselor
Connor Y – Youth Counselor

We are all looking forward to another summer of Fun and activities. We hope to plan 3 trips out of the Park as field trips, many great activities and some down time for your children. Our calendar schedule will be available during our first week at the program.

You can find registration forms on our FB page, Website, at our Town Clerk's office, or the first day that you arrive at the park.

- **Daily attendance is not a requirement of this program. However, the participant's parents or specified guardian must sign the child in and out, to enter or leave the program site, in order to remain in the program. A violation of this policy shall result in dismissal from the program.**
- **The summer playground program is not intended to be a day care or day camp program.**
- **Daily attendance is not mandatory to remain in the program.**
- **Local elementary schools will be contacted to confirm your child's enrollment and grade completed**

What your child will need?

If you child is here during lunch time, a bagged lunch, and snacks are suggested.

A refillable water Bottle – with name on it to be brought every day - **Mandatory**

Appropriate clothing for the weather and for days of messy crafts.

DEERFIELD YOUTH PROGRAM

A good attitude and willingness to have a good time.

What your child will not need?

We ask that your child does not bring any motorized vehicles, scooters, hover boards, skate boards, or bicycles.

We appreciate your donations of goodies, craft supplies, games, and entertainment. We know your children are looking forward to summer fun, but it doesn't hurt to have some educational programs as well, ie Zoo mobile, bulling clinic, first aid education, and we hope to be able to provide a little of that kind of activities as well. If you know of an

organization that can help us out, please let us know.

We are looking forward to this summer as we hope you and your families are as well.

If you have any questions or concerns Please contact Jessica P (Youth Leader)– at 941 –788-8509 or myself, Karen Day (Youth Director) 315 724-0413 ext 231 or 315 723-4971.

Karen Day
Youth Director

Wilderness Park Pavilion

Reservations are starting to already come in for the 2019 season!! To check the availability of the Pavilion you can go to the Town's website: townofdeerfield.org, go to the calendar section and use the drop down arrow to choose another calendar: Wilderness Park Pavilion. To reserve the pavilion, please call the Town Clerk's office at 315-724-0413 ext. 223 or you can also email your reservation at: townclerk@townofdeerfield.org. Reservations can be made 13 months in advance and can be made up to one (1) week before requested date. For more information, please see the website or call the Town Clerk's office.

FROM THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE

NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF FINAL ASSESSMENT ROLL

(Pursuant to Section 516- Real Property Tax Law)

Notice is hereby given that the Assessor of the Town of Deerfield, County of Oneida, has completed the Final Assessment Roll for the current year and that a certified copy has been left with the Town Clerk at the Deerfield Municipal Building (6329 Walker Road), here it may be seen and examined by any interested person.

Dated this 1st day of July 2018

George Haskell, Assessor

Town Historian News

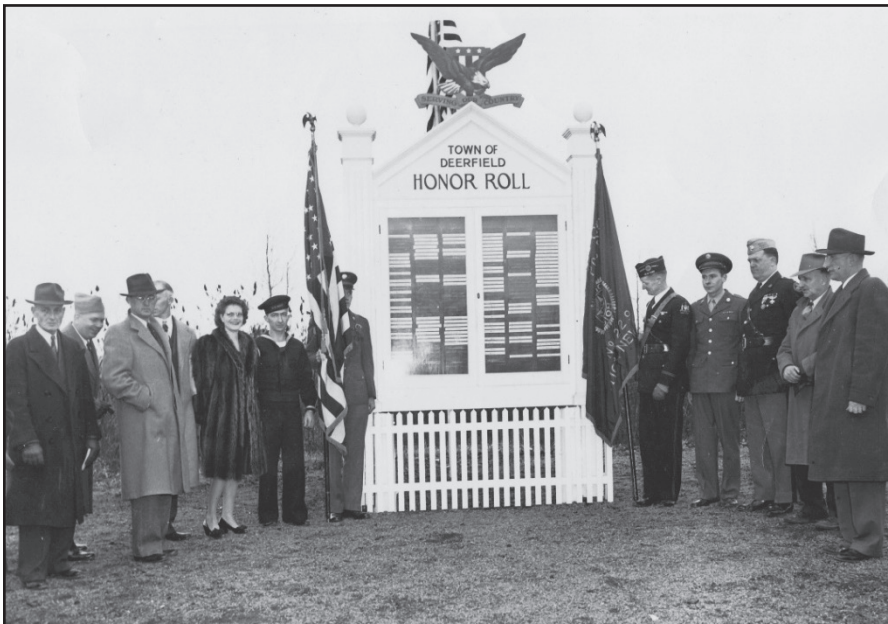
by Jozef Malinowski • townhistorian@townofdeerfield.org

The Town of Deerfield Honor Roll

The Town of Deerfield Honor Roll was a symbol of pride for our community. It served as a place to remember and pay tribute to all who served our country, particularly the native sons and daughters of the town.

The Honor Roll was designed and constructed by John E. Carruthers. It was donated by the town and originally placed at the entrance of Broadacres on Walker Road.

A dedication ceremony was held on Sunday, November 19, 1944. The planning committee was comprised of Archibald Blue (Chairman), Marian Barnes (Town Historian), Harlow Watts (Master of Ceremonies) and Bernard Stevens, John Barnes, Michael J. Lynch, and Charles Emhof (Members of the Town Board). Invocation was made by Rev. Stanley Macewicz and the guest speaker was Alan Stevenson. The dedication was made by Rev. Samuel Sothern, and the Honor Roll brought recognition to over 113 citizens of the Town of Deerfield.



The Honor Roll was later moved to the North

Gage Presbyterian Church and Cemetery. In 1976, a new veterans' memorial plaque was dedicated at the entrance of the Wilderness Park.

Your Help is Needed

A master list of town veterans and service members is currently being compiled for our historical archives. Do you know of a veteran or service member that was born and/or lived in Deerfield? Please feel free to email townhistorian@townofdeerfield.org and include any helpful information such as name, year of birth/death, branch of service, location of service, rank, war service (if applicable), burial location etc. Thank you!

SENIOR NEWS

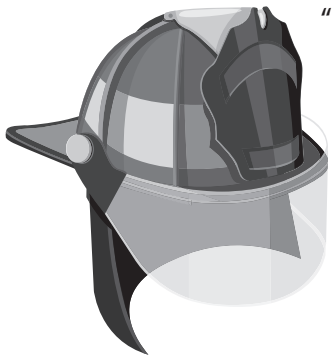
The seniors meet **every Thursday from 9 am until 3 pm**, cards and bingo are played. On the first Thursday of the month a representative from the Office of Aging is at the Municipal Building from 1 - 2 pm. The third Monday of the month we have a bus going to Turning Stone for Bingo and the machines. The cost is \$11.00 and reservations are needed.

On July 25th we will be going to Sodus Bay Lighthouse Museum, have lunch at The Heights Restaurant and stop at

Young Sommer Winery. A Bermuda Cruise is set for August 26 - September 2. On September 26th we have a trip to Raquette Lake luncheon cruise and the Adirondack Museum. If interested or want more information about our trips, please call **Lura at 315-724-0658**.



Deerfield Volunteer Fire Department News



"Thank you" does not seem like a great way to begin an article, but that is just what the membership of the Deerfield Fire Department would like to express. Our most sincere "thank you" to

all the residents of our great town who came and supported our many activities and fundraisers in the spring and beginning of the summer months. Our Lenten Fish Fry's and Chicken

BBQ were yet again great community events and our annual Fireman's Field Days featuring Main Event Attractions was enjoyed by hundreds of people from around the area! We could not have asked for better weather! Your support, as always, is greatly appreciated!

As the summer months are upon us, your Deerfield Fire Department will be very busy as we continue preparations to host the 2018 New York State Motorized Firematics Tournament

Deerfield Volunteer Fire Department News

from August 16-19 at our Trenton Road firehouse. Multiple teams from across New York State will be here competing in eight exciting Firematic events as we celebrate the 30th Anniversary of the first tournament we hosted in 1988. Please plan on coming down and enjoying a top notch event! We will also present our many training programs and continue our tradition of providing the highest level of care and professionalism at all emergency calls.

Recruiting new members is always on our minds and I recently read the following story in a firefighting publication. *"Is There More? ... Do you feel that you can do more for your community and more for your fellow human beings? ... When you review all of life's events on a daily basis, in reading the newspaper or viewing the news on-line, do you ever wonder, "How can they do that?"... OR "How do they keep calm while the world around us is falling apart?" AND "How do can they climb into a wrecked automobile and provide comfort to a patient?" We may have the answers to your questions! Have you considered joining your local volunteer Fire Department? Departments across the state are in need of people to volunteer and serve within their community, to answer the call when the pager goes off, and to help their fellow human beings in time of need. We ...are no different than any other department. We, too, are faced with fewer and fewer people available to volunteer and help within our community. My letter this summer is to all of you that may be feeling that there is a void in your life, wondering if you can do more... If you are wondering can you volunteer even if you have a "night job" the answer is a resounding YES! People who are available*

to answer the call during the day are always needed.."

If you or anyone you know is interested in joining our team of dedicated volunteers, please consider becoming an Active Member. Talk to one of our members, stop by the firehouse, ask questions and get informed about what it is that we do!

If responding to fire calls is not for you but you would like to be a part of your community and help at our events, please consider an Associate Membership to the Deerfield Fire Department. You can get more information on our web page: www.deerfieldfire.org or ask one of our members! They would love to have a conversation with you about our team!

Follow us on social media:

Facebook – Deerfield Volunteer Fire Company

Twitter - @DFD800

Instagram - deerfieldfd



Deerfield Volunteer Fire Company Inc.

2018 Schedule

NY State Motorized Firematics Championship

Saturday, August 18, 8 AM

NY State Championship Parade

Sunday, August 19, 1 PM – Trenton Road

Fall Fresh Fish Frydays

September 21, 28 – October 5, 12 4 – 7 PM

Ladies Auxiliary "Family Style" Roast Beef Dinner

Saturday, November 3, 4 – 7 PM
(Tentative)

Craft Fair

Saturday, November 10, 9 AM – 4 PM

*Takeouts available at all dinners
All events at the Bruce "Spike" Yourdon Memorial Hall
and Firefighter's Field*



TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE HOURS:

Mon, Tues, Wed, and Fri: 8:00am - 4:00pm
Thurs: 8:00am - 6:00pm

ASSESSOR'S SUMMER HOURS:

Please call 315-724-0413 ext. 221

Deerfield Fire Chief	Kevin Powers	315-732-2693	
Tax Collector	Tracy Jubis	315-724-0413 x 230	Poland Elementary: 315-826-7000
County Legislator	Philip M. Sacco	315-796-2034	Poland High School: 315-826-7900
Dog Control Officer	Andrea Brennan	315-520-1606	Whitb. Transportation Dept.: 315-768-9740
Youth Director	Karen Day	315-723-4971	Deerfield Fire Department: (Business) 315-732-2693
Town Historian	Jozef Malinowski	315-542-3086	Sheriff's Dept: Business @ 315-736-8364
Senior Citizen Director	Lura Raymo	315-724-0658	State Police: Business @ 315-736-0122
Zoning Board of Appeals (Chairman)	Lura Raymo	315-724-0658	Whitesboro High School: 315-266-3200
Planning Board (Chairman)	Lisa Zurek	planningboard@townofdeerfield.org	Whitesboro Middle Sch: 315-266-3100
Assessor	George Haskell	315-732-1789	Whitesboro Parkway Sch: 315-266-3175
Town Justice	Thomas Larkin Jr.	315-507-3058	Deerfield School: 315-266-3410
Town Justice	Jim Sullivan	315-507-3058	Important Phone Numbers
Deputy Clerk & Deputy Registrar	Karen Day	315-724-0413 x 231	Court Room # 315-507-3058 Fax # 315-507-3060
Town Clerk, Registrar	Tracy Jubis	315-724-0413 x 223	Tax Collector Extension 230
Councilperson	David Barone	315-793-0843	Planning Room Extension 227
Councilperson	Candace Oczkowski	315-794-4905	Senior Citizens' Extension 228
Councilperson	Michael Collins	315-798-9344	Town Clerk Extension 223
Councilperson	Phillip Domser	315-732-1262	Supervisor Extension 250
		315-735-6420 Home	Building & Codes Extension 222
Highway Superintendent	Sam Arcuri, Jr.	315-826-7014 Work	Assessor Extension 221
Supervisor	Scott Mahardy	315-738-0311	Telephone Extensions at the Deerfield Municipal Building

6329 Walker Road, Deerfield, NY 13502
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