

## Village Meeting Schedule

Second Wednesday of the month  
unless otherwise posted.  
Hoags Corner Ambulance Bldg.  
7 p.m.



## Address

19 Town Garage Road  
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# Fall 2025 Newsletter

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## Greetings from Mayor Martin

Hello everyone,

The school year is well under way, the leaves are falling from the trees, and apples are plentiful. While I don't want to rush into winter, I am looking forward to a few less outside chores once things stop growing. The Village board has been busy crafting new legislation, entering into new contracts and adding an archivist to our appointed positions. Check out the news below!

## Village Election

Village elections will be held on March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026. Positions to be voted on are mayor and two trustees. Our two trustees, Lydia Davis and Nick Atchinson, will not be running for reelection. If you are interested in running for office you will need to use the Village Independent Nominating Petition (found on the Village website under "Election Information", bottom of the page) and obtain 22 signatures. Completed petitions are due to the Village Clerk between **February 3<sup>rd</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup>**, 2026.

## We have an Archivist!

An archivist is someone who collects, organizes and provides access to historical documents.

**Do you have old photos of the Village?** We would like to build a collection of images of the village that will document how the village has evolved over time. This collection, when curated, will be posted on the village website. Of interest are photos of roads, homes, churches, businesses, etc. particularly those passed on by previous generations. Coordinating this effort is Bill Davis, a former village trustee, in the newly created position of village archivist. For submissions or questions please contact: [archivist@villageofeastnassau.org](mailto:archivist@villageofeastnassau.org)

## Emergency Preparedness

Mayor Martin partnered with Siena University student Hailey Ringuette, an Environmental Studies major, to collect information on pertinent environmental emergencies. Hailey compiled that information, which includes helpful steps you can take to prepare yourself and your home in the event of an emergency, and alert systems you can subscribe to in order to receive the most up to date information. The Village website will be updated with this information once we have fully transitioned from .org to .gov.

## Cookie Contest & Holiday Market November 9<sup>th</sup>

The Village is no longer hosting the cookie contest, fortunately the Tsatsawassa Firehouse Company has stepped in to take this on. The Cookie Contest & Holiday Market will be from 1 – 4 on 11/9. Plan to enter some cookies? Registration is now open and closes 11/6. You can find more information on the Tsatsawassa Firehouse Company Facebook page, by emailing [info@alivelyevent.com](mailto:info@alivelyevent.com) or calling Katie @ 518-488-7846.

The Troy Record is the Village's official newspaper

## **Communication Survey – Next Steps**

Thank you everyone for responding to the communication survey that was sent out in the spring. We had a small response rate of 10%. The next step is to create a policy on what should be communicated and decide on a platform.

## **Zoning Laws – Update**

An Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) is dwelling that can be in or attached to a single-family dwelling or within a new or existing accessory structure which contains all the features of a home (bathroom, kitchen, living space and separate entrance). The board initiated the creation of this law to support Village residents who may be seeking to accommodate family members or supplement their income. The public hearing was held at the start of the October meeting and the board plans to vote on the law at the November meeting.

## **Village Road Maintenance and Improvements**

Exciting news! The Village has contracted with the Town of Nassau to provide routine maintenance, snow plowing and emergency services for village roads beginning this month (October). What this means for the Village is that we now have more consistent and reliable services to maintain our roads. Also, thanks to Darcy Construction and Cedar Creek Tree Service for all their past work maintaining Village roads.

## **Climate Smart Committee Updates**

The Village park is ready for next year with more perennials planted to fill the beds and a Redbud tree added close to the bank of the Tsatsawassa Creek. Redbuds are one of the earliest trees to bloom in spring and are excellent for pollinators. In addition, an ADA-compliant square picnic table was made and donated to the park by nearby resident Lee King as part of his Taconic Community tables project, where he works with teenager apprentices.

We are now on Facebook! Join our group - Friends of East Nassau Climate Committee - to learn about upcoming events and discuss relevant climate topics in our community.

We now have MailChimp to electronically share our newsletter. If you want to receive the newsletter please email us at [climatesmart@villageofeastnassau.org](mailto:climatesmart@villageofeastnassau.org).

Finally, we initiated a new Climate Talk Series in partnership with the New Lebanon Library. Our last talk of this year will be on Friday, November 14, at 6:30 p.m., Neil Bettez, Climate Resilience coordinator at the Hudson River Estuary, will discuss how we can plan for future climate risks using natural and nature-based solutions. Please come!

## **Know someone who didn't get the newsletter?**

Have them email [clerk@villageofeastnassau.org](mailto:clerk@villageofeastnassau.org) to get their address added.