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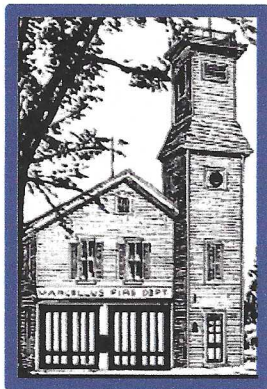
Newsletter

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Dear Village Residents,

The Village Board hopes that you enjoy a wonderful summer. Also, there is more information that we would like to convey to the community at our website: <http://www.villageofmarcellus.com>. It provides much information that can be very helpful.



### Keep Grease and Wipes Out of Sewers

We continue to urge you to keep grease out of your plumbing system. Do not put fats, oils or grease (F.O.G.) of any type down your drain or garbage disposal. Use baskets or strainers to catch grease or food scraps and then empty them into a container for trash disposal. One such container is a liner bag, available at local hardware

stores that can be used for easy disposal of cooking grease and fat. Grease buildup can cause big backup problems for residential sewers. Also, flushable wipes are not flushable. Dispose of these in the trash as well. They too will cause blockage in residential sewers.



### Village Garage Sale

The Village garage sale will take place on July 11<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to 3 pm - have fun, sell your treasures and remember that no permit is required for this one-day event.

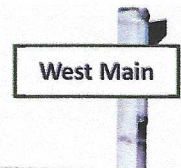
### Significant Cost of Insurance - WWTP Upgrades

With two years of construction of a very costly project at the Waste Water Treatment Plant having been completed, sewer users in the Village, Town and School District can be assured that a modern, fully operational water pollution control plant will serve their needs well into the 21st century. Because the upgrades to the plant have increased considerably the value of the plant - from about \$3,235,000 in 2019 to \$16,240,000 in 2020 - the cost of insurance for the Treatment plant has risen significantly. The plant today is the single most valuable asset in the Village, other than our employees of course, and the Village must continue to provide appropriate coverage for this most valued piece of property.

### 2020 Town Trash Days - Town and Village of Marcellus Residents

Fridays: July 10, 17, 24, 2020	8:00 am to 3:00 pm
Saturdays: July 11, 18, 25, 2020	8:00 am to noon
To include E-Waste electronic recycling and Community Shred Day: Saturday July 25	8:00 AM to Noon

Limit 5 Boxes per vehicle. If held it will be at the Marcellus Town Highway Garage  
Permits available at the Town Clerk's Office



### West Main Street Drainage

With the Village having completed the installation of 1,000 feet of storm water pipe along West Main Street this past winter, the storm water issue on this County Road (Rt. 41) seems to have been resolved. This was a very expensive project for the Village, one that required the Village to secure bonds in order to pay for it. Since the County intends to pave all of Main Street, from Lee Mulroy road to the Village line this summer, we are hopeful that the County will also pave the drainage cut that was caused by our installation of the storm water pipes. When that is done, it is the intention of the Village to pave the residential driveway aprons as well as restore the grassy areas in the Village right-of-way.

### Street and Sidewalk Repair, Tree Removal and Plantings

Per the DPW Superintendent's schedule, First Street, from Reed St to Slocombe Ave, was recently repaved. In addition, with most of the funding provided by an Onondaga County Grant program, the Village parking lots were repaved and striped, both of which were in desperate need of repair. Also, pending budgetary considerations, some fiber micro paving on Reed Parkway and Maple Street will be considered. We are not sure, however, if CHIPS money will be available this year because of State and Local budget deficits. Also some tree removals are planned, per the DPW Superintendent's schedule, again pending budgetary considerations.

### Brush Pick-up

The Village Board and DPW are going to continue the policy established previously for Brush Pickup. Spring brush pickup has ended, but during the summer months (June, July and August), brush may be placed at the curb on Saturdays and Sundays for pickup on the first Monday of each of those summer months. Village residents should not to put yard waste out to the curb for pick-up until then. They are welcome to bring yard waste to the compost pile next to the Highway garage. Also, please do not sweep yard debris into the road. This often causes storm sewers to become obstructed and creates a serious danger for motorcyclists.



### Battery Collection

During the month of July, household batteries (alkaline and zinc-carbon Only) will be collected from residents. Rechargeable batteries will not be accepted during the collection. Yellow bags have replaced orange battery bags. Residents should place the yellow bags on top of their trashcans during the month of July for the Village hauler to collect.

### Olde Home Days and Teal There's A Cure and Summer Concerts

Unfortunately, the Marcellus Olde Home Days and the Annual Teal There's A Cure 5K Run/Walk have both been cancelled because of the ongoing health crisis. In addition, summer concerts held during the summer months at Marcellus Park Annex have been cancelled due to the current health crisis.

### Thank You



The Board would like to thank Kathy Welsh, who grew and planted the flowers that now grace the Village flower boxes, which are filled with compost from the treatment plant. The Board also thanks our D.P.W. for all of the work they did in helping to

disturbance in the Village during these uncertain times, a tribute to the efforts of our Police Chief and his Officers.

### Parking



Overnight parking on most Village streets is permitted during summer months, but we urge residents to use Village parking lots for any long-term parking situations. The Police will be enforcing the two-hour parking limit particularly on North and Main Streets. We also encourage those who have driveways to use them for their own parking needs rather than the public streets. Also, parking on the sidewalks and in the Village right of way - the area that lies between the sidewalk and the road - is not allowed and we urge residents to use Village lots and avoid ticketing by Police.

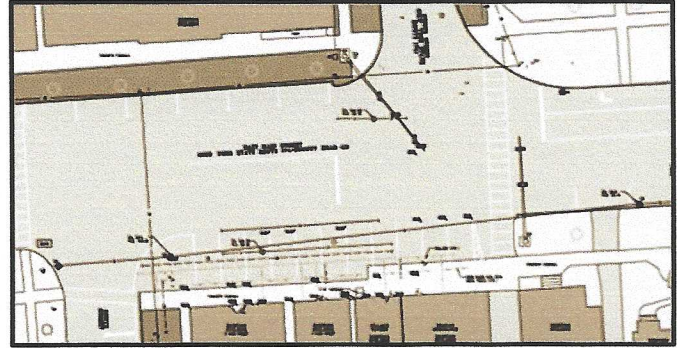


### Proposed New Town Hall

As a resident of the Village as well as the Town of Marcellus, we encourage you to be aware of the Town Board's plan to build a new town hall. Your input and support is valued. Located in the First National Bank building, it has been in use as the Marcellus Town Hall for nearly four decades. As a public building, it is inefficient, inaccessible, unsafe, and increasingly costly. It no longer meets the needs of the Marcellus community. The Marcellus Town Board has been seeking a solution for over a decade, having explored many options including: renovating the old town hall; adding an addition; utilizing other town properties; and building outside the village. The Town Board believes the best long-term solution is constructing a new town hall on Main Street, right next door. The Board has collaborated with town officials and employees, community members, and QPK Design, and its vision is a dignified but modest building that will meet the needs of the people of Marcellus for generations. The Town Board takes fiscal responsibility seriously and has carefully planned for this opportunity for the past decade. The Board believes the maximum possible tax increase is \$7.26 per \$100,000 assessed property value. Please see the town website for additional information ([marcellusny.com](http://marcellusny.com)) and send your thoughts by email ([newtownhall@marcellusny.com](mailto:newtownhall@marcellusny.com)) or phone (315-673-3269). The Village Board, having been presented the plans recently, is in full support of them, especially since its location remains in the Village Center and the building design mirrors the look and feel of our Village streetscape, and includes public bathrooms and additional public parking as well. Having presented its plans to the Village Board recently, The Town Board requests your input and support as it seeks to build a new, safe, efficient, accessible town hall.

The Police Department reminds residents that they should call 911 if they have any concerns or any questions of what appear to be criminal or other suspicious activity in the Village. By using 9-1-1, our local officer will be notified, dispatched as quickly as possible. Given the fact that our police officers are not on duty 24 hours of every day, using 9-1-1 will cause other police agencies to respond to problems in the Village. In addition, if any resident happens to encounter a door-to-door salesman, please ask that individual to show you the permit that any peddler has to obtain before being allowed to solicit in the Village. If there is no permit, please direct them to the Village Hall and please call the Village Hall to alert our staff.

### Village Parking Improvements



The Village and its DPW has been involved for several months in an on-going project with several Marcellus Central School District students and their teacher, Mr. Tyler Cooper. The students, along with some invaluable advice, effort and expertise from Joe Durand of TDK Engineering, have researched and prepared an excellent CAD drawing for changing the parking situation in front of 2-6 East Main Street (Reagan Building and Village Tavern) from a perpendicular to a parallel configuration. As part of their Senior Project, Lee Piekielek and Liam Hawes, have created a most appropriate design for this area on East Main, the final spot in the Village that has perpendicular parking, and is a dangerous traffic hazard, trying to park and then back out onto Main Street. There will probably be a loss of 4 (four) parking spots as a result of this change, but the businesses that border this area have come to realize the importance of eliminating this dangerous parking situation and have agreed to the change. Following a review and approval of the design by the County DOT and State DOT, it is expected that construction might take place this summer. The Board applauds the efforts of the students and all involved in the project and looks forward to its implementation.

### Some Reminders

Hours at the Village Hall are 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. If there are emergencies after hours, the number for highway or for sewer problems it is 315-506-9253. If there is an emergency water problem, please call OCWA at 315-455-7061. We also remind you that the Village Office (315-673-3112) will be closed on Friday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>. There will be NO DELAY for trash collection because of the holiday that week, BUT there will be a one-day delay for trash collection in September because of Labor Day. Thank you for taking time to read this letter and we hope you enjoy a safe 4th of July and a fun-filled summer.



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