SERVING THE PEOPLE OF TULLY

#### From Town Supervisor

I hope you all had a great holiday weekend. I just want to update you on key actions from our April Board meeting.

The Board appointed Sarah Panzarella to the position of Director of Parks and Recreation. Sarah will be taking the position previously held by Ryan Dando. Thank you, Ryan, for your years of service to the community.

Our committee to interview candidates for the open position on the planning board completed its work and recommended the appointment of John Casey for the position, and the board so appointed him. I want to thank all who applied, and encourage your interest in future opportunities to serve. All of our applicants had great potential, and it is great to see public interest.

The Board held the continuation of the public hearing on Local Law #1 and enacted it into law. This sets an expectation that all solar projects will have a PILOT agreement (payment in lieu of taxes). This just removes the need to take this action on every proposal and eliminates the potential of the board not replying to the applicant within an allotted time.

We were also able to declare some obsolete ambulance equipment scrap which allowed it to be donated to Ukrainian relief efforts.

County Planning contacted us about participation in a CNY bike trail. The Board agreed that this was worthwhile, and we will be working to better understand expectations. We will keep you informed of progress.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Dave Kinne for his volunteer work on our historic train station as we work to bring the building to a usable status.

Looking forward, we are soliciting residents interested in serving on the assessment grievance board due to a resignation. Please submit a cover letter and resume by US mail to the Town Clerk's office.

We are also looking for a small number of residents that would like to participate in a committee reviewing the reclamation actions on the gravel mining site on Route 11A. In this case, please contact the Supervisor directly at 315-696-4693 extension 12.

#### Parks and Rec

This May our long-time director of Parks and Recreation, Ryan Dando is stepping down. The new director is Parks and Rec board member Sarah Panzarella. She is enthusiastic to build upon the wonderful foundation of programming put in place by the previous directors. If you have questions for Parks and Rec and/or Sarah, please email tullyparksrec@gmail.com. We are also saying goodbye to our board member Dave Courtwright. We'd like to thank both Ryan and Dave for their service to our community. You will be missed! As a result of these changes, the Parks and Recreation board will have two open vacancies. If you are interested in joining the Parks and Rec board, please mail or drop off a letter of interest and copy of your resume to: Susan Vaccaro, Town Clerk, Municipal Building, 5833 Meetinghouse Rd., Tully, NY 13159.

We are also looking for qualified lifeguards for Green Lake. Prospective lifeguards must be 14 years or older and must obtain lifeguard certification. Details on swim lessons will be coming soon. We will be offering lots of fun new and old summer programs as well. You can follow us on Facebook (https:// www.facebook.com/tullyparksrec) to stay up to date on all Tully Parks and Recreation has to offer!

## **Free Shredding Event for Tully** Residents

#### June 4th 9am to Noon **Town Hall Parking Lot on Meeting House Road**

The Town will be hosting a free shredding event for all Village and Town residents – and businesses, too!! Bring your paperwork, tax documents, bank statements and bills to the parking lot at the town hall to be securely shredded and taken to a waste management site for recycling (proof of residency required).



### The Tully News

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#### **Town of Tully Website**

www.townoftully.org.

#### Village of Tully Website villageoftully.org.

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www.ongov.net

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#### Symphoria and Jazz concerts 2022!

We have received exciting news! CNYarts grant funding will allow us to bring these two amazing concerts to our beautiful community!

Symphoria will feature an upbeat string/flute ensemble. Prepare yourself, your family and friends for an enchanted evening. Tickets \$5/donation.

John Spillett Jazz ensemble will be energized fun with familiar tunes you will love!

Concert dates will be announced soon! Both concerts will be held at the Tully United Community Church on Meetinghouse Road. Covid restrictions will be followed. If necessary, and to keep our community safe, concerts may be rescheduled based on guidelines.

Our sponsors, local businesses, organizations and contributions also make these concerts possible as Marketing and Venue costs were not funded. If you would like to make a donation for these or future events, please send your check to TAG Partners in Motion c/o Terri Murray 5145 State Route 80, Tully NY 13159 Happy Spring to All!

#### From the Village

The Village of Tully is proud to announce the adoption of the NYStretch Energy Code as of January 2022. The new code advances requirements for energy efficiency and is projected to save about 10-12% of energy costs for new buildings and major renovations of old buildings. The new code requires an upgrade in building insulation with testing to prevent heat leakage, a heat recovery system for air and water, whole building energy monitoring, reduction in lighting, and installation of conduit for eventual solar and ev charging stations.

The Village of Tully was awarded a \$5,000 grant from NYSERDA as a result of passing the new energy code. Tully was the first community in Central New York to pass the new code.

Tully Mayor Erin Goodfellow states "I think it's important for our community to be forward thinking about how we can conserve energy, build more energy efficient structures and keep the future of our environment in mind when going about our day."

The Village now has a Climate Smart Community Task Force, which meets to organize environmental activities intended to engage many segments of our community. The Task Force includes Suzanne Drumm (Rotary/Interact), Kim Cameron (TAG, Library), Peter Huntington (TAG), Terri Murray (TAG Partners in Motion), Melissa Flint-Morgan (businesses), Charles Bibik (Fire Department, High School), Brian Hust (Boy Scouts), and Kathy Vernay (Village Board and Tully Community Garden). The Task Force is being assisted by Amanda Mazzoni of the Regional Planning and Development Office, and Michael Boccuzzi, an intern. Village achievements produced by this task force will earn the Village points from NYSERDA toward more grant money.

A greenhouse gas emissions study for the Village of Tully is being done by the College of Environmental Science and Forestry, and should be available in early May.

#### **Pantry Box**

A reminder that the Scouts have a pantry box of food in the TUCC parking lot that is available 24/7 for your use.

## COVID test kits are available at the Town Hall and the library!

#### **Tully Community Garden**

The Tully Community Garden is accepting new members for this growing season. The garden is planned, planted, tended, and harvested as one single plot with members contributing time and effort as their schedules permit. A wide variety of vegetables is planted in the Community Garden plot behind St. Leo's Parish Hall.

Members are connected by email for coordinating garden needs and occasional work days. Time worked and vegetables harvested are on an honor system. New gardeners will be paired with more knowledgeable ones, so this is a good time to learn about gardening for those who are new to it.

Work has already begun as members helped to remove the tarp which covered the garden over the winter. OCRRA donates a dump truck load of compost for our use, and that will be delivered and spread soon by garden members.

There is no charge for joining the Garden. Donations are accepted but not required. If you are interested, please contact Kathy Vernay, kvernay@twcny.rr.com, 315-416-6629.

#### **NOTICE**

Southern Hills Preservation Corporation is looking for residents of Tully that are interested in joining our Board of Directors.

Together, we make our mission a reality—To promote affordable housing and community revitalization through development, financing, advocacy, counseling, and education.

Email us at info@southernhillspc.org to get involved!

# **Employment Opportunity**

Tully Cemetery Caretaker to do trimming and assist Superintendent with routine responsibilities. May-July would require 20-30 hours/week; Aug.-Nov would be 10-15 hours/week. Applicants must be at least 18 yrs. of age. Hourly rate would range from \$17-\$18/hr. depending on experience. Interested persons can contact Robert Fairchild, Superintendent at 315-683-5358.

#### **News from Tully Free Library**

You may have heard that the library is planning some needed repairs and updates to our space. We have asked the community for comments regarding these plans and want to address concerns that some may have about upcoming changes to our wonderful library.

The major source of funding for any work will come from our application to the NY State Library Construction Grant (which we have most recently used to upgrade to LED lighting). The funds in our budget proposition, which you will be asked to vote on in May, will not be used for any building updates and will continue to provide the library only with our regular operating costs.

Grant funding will help us with needed updates including:

- The library needs to meet new fresh air ventilation standards, and updates to our plumbing, emergency lighting, and exterior walkways.
- The library's interior space needs to be reconfigured to meet ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) compliance and provide improved accessibility to all who use the library.
- The library's increasing programming means we need more space for planning and accessible storage than we currently have.
- Feedback from the community has told us library users want space for tutoring, quiet reading, and flexible meeting space.

The drawings you've seen on our website or bulletin boards were intended as conversation starters and as sources for ideas on how we can accomplish the needed changes to our space. As we complete our grant application, we are sending revised information based on your comments to our architects, who will provide us with new designs that will reflect these new specifications.

We want the public to know that as we make these upgrades, we are dedicated to preserving what is special about our library, such as our wonderful woodwork, stained glass, and fireplace, which help make our interior the warm, inviting place that is so beloved to this community.

Feel free to come to the library for a "backstage tour" where you can see our current infrastructure needs in person. If you would like to get more involved in the project, or have questions, feel free to contact us at (315) 696-8606 or director@tullyfreelibrary.org. We thank you for your continued support of our library as we look to improve our service to this community. Please continue to read more about this project on our website, www.tullyfreelibrary.org.

#### **Cemetery Donations**

Many rural cemeteries are experiencing challenging times in maintaining their properties. The Tully Cemetery Association strives to keep their grounds well groomed, repair monument foundations, and perform necessary equipment maintenance. We are fortunate to have volunteers who give attention to gravestones that need cleaning and to place American flags prior to Memorial Day on graves of those that served in the military.

This upcoming year we are in need of performing some exterior work and sealer to our Chapel, doing electrical work necessary for the shop, as well as some driveway repairs. Although a portion of the lot cost includes perpetual care, costs of operating expenses have accelerated. We are encouraging lot owners and community members to consider making a monetary donation to Tully Cemetery.

Donations can bee mailed to Tully Cemetery Association, P.O. Box 145, Tully, NY 13159, or made on the Tully Historical Society website (tullyhistoricalsociety.org).

## Town of Tully Spring Clean-Up Day Saturday, May 14th, 2022

#### 9:00am to 3:00pm

#### Village Treatment Plant, Community Drive, Tully, NY

This is your opportunity to dispose of residential household trash and debris. See specific limitations below.

The <u>CLEAN-UP DAY</u> is <u>ONLY</u> for Village and Town residents. You must show proof of residency and accompany vehicle at drop-off site. Proof of residency must have your street address on it. A Post Office Box will not be accepted as proof of residency.

#### NO PROOF OF **RESIDENCY** – NO DUMPING

All items must be less than 10 feet in length. All oil, gas and antifreeze products, which are not acceptable for disposal, must be drained from tanks and equipment.

#### \*\*\*IF YOU HAVE UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS ON BOARD, YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED ON SITE\*\*\*

<u>WILL ACCEPT</u>: Most General Rubbish, Appliances, Metal, <u>Computers</u> (Flat Screens Only), Electronics, Lawn & Garden Waste, Vehicle Batteries, Empty Drums and Pails cut in half

Tires will be accepted off the rim at a cost - (Prices subject to change)

Please have the correct amount of money.

16-inch and smaller tires: \$3.00

17-inch and larger-truck tires: \$7.00

Large tires: \$25.00

<u>WILL NOT ACCEPT</u>: TELEVISIONS, BED SPRINGS OR MATTRESSES, Rechargeable or disposable household batteries, Fluorescent tubes, Brush, Garbage Recyclables, Pails with lids, Whole drums, Paints, Chemicals, Oil, Gas, Antifreeze or any Hazardous Waste

Please separate items to improve efficiency at disposal site FOR INFO ON RECYCLING TV'S, GO TO www.OCRRA.org

ALL RESIDENTS PLEASE NOTE: DUE TO INCREASING COSTS, NO TRAIL-ERS LONGER THAN 8 FEET WILL BE ALLOWED THROUGH THE GATES TO THE DUMPSTERS!!! ONE LOAD PER HOUSEHOLD!!!