

VILLAGE NEWSLETTER
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PUBLIC HEARING

The Village of Green Island will hold a public hearing on Monday, March 20th, 2017 at 6:30 p.m., at the Green Island Municipal Center, 19 George Street, Green Island, NY.

The purpose of the public hearing is to consider Local Law No. 1 of 2017, a local law to override Tax Levy Limit set forth in General Municipal Law § 3 – C. The purpose of the proposed local law is to allow the Village of Green Island to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing June 1, 2017, that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the tax levy limit as defined by General Municipal Law § 3 – C.

All interested parties may appear and be heard.

BUDGET HEARING DATE

Village Budget Hearing will be held on **Wednesday, April 5th, 2017** at 5:00 p.m. at the Green Island Municipal Center, 19 George Street, Green Island for the presentation of the **Village Budgets** for fiscal year 2017-2018.

RECREATION NEWS

Summer Employment: The Recreation Department is accepting applications for **summer employment**. Due to budget constraints, summer jobs will be extremely limited. A competitive interview process will be mandatory for all applicants. Applications are now available at the Village Office or with Mrs. Legault in the main office at Heatly School. All applications must be returned to the **VILLAGE OFFICE** on or before April 28th, no exceptions. Applicants must be 14 years old by July 1, 2017 to be eligible for employment.

The Recreation Department is partnering with the Green Island Senior Citizens to host a **Breakfast with the Easter Bunny**. The event will take place on Sunday, April 9th, 2017, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Community Center, 5 George Street. The cost is \$9 for adults, \$5 for children 10 and under. Breakfast will consist of pancakes, eggs, bacon, sausage, fruit, juice, coffee and tea.

Don't have time for breakfast but want to stop in and see the Easter Bunny that's great too. The Bunny will have plenty of Easter treats for everyone and you're welcome to take your own pictures.

STORMWATER COALITION OF ALBANY COUNTY

The Stormwater Coalition of Albany County was formed in 2008 via an inter-municipal agreement between 13 municipalities and the University of Albany. The Village of Green Island is a charter member. The purpose of the Coalition is to foster cooperation, achieve cost savings and to provide for the provision of joint shared services related to compliance with the NYSDEC SPDES Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) Permit program and Federal Clean Water Act requirements. For more information about the Stormwater Coalition please log on to their website at www.stormwateralbanycounty.org. This website has very specific information about how our community benefits from the program and includes educational components for homeowners, businesses and contractors. We also do our own outreach as well and periodically mail out flyers to many businesses that show best management practices as it relates to their operations. This is just an example of the many efforts to educate the public in our quest for clean water. For further information about Green Island's MS4 program contact Sean Ward at 273-2201 or seanw@villageofgreenisland.com.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN GREEN ISLAND

March 14, 2017

Dear Friends,

This letter is going to be a short one. I thought last month's newsletter would be the last one of the season about snow --- but NOOOOOO --- I was SOOOOO wrong! I am sitting at my computer typing this early because we will be spending the rest of the week doing snow removal. By the time you get this, the storm will be over and the snow will be pushed back, but right now I can't see that far ahead. Heck, I can't even see out the window! This reminds me of the first winter when I became Mayor and we got two storms in a week and each one left two feet of snow. That was certainly memorable, but we got through it and we survived. Our guys do such a great job. We seem to get snow whenever they have garbage pickup – so they came in early, got the garbage done and went back to plowing. Please give them a wave and say “thank you” when they go by. A little show of appreciation means a lot – especially when you are working around the clock. Thanks guys and before you know it you will be mowing the grass!

Thinking ahead to nicer weather, see the other newsletter with details about summer employment and “Breakfast with the Easter Bunny.” And soon I will be sending you all the info on our Summer Concerts in the River Park Gazebo!!! The Gig-A-Bite crew has met and we have our menu planned and I promise you won't be disappointed – or hungry! I am sending out my sponsor letters (or as I call them, my “begging” letters) this week. We are lucky to have such a great bunch of volunteers and very generous sponsors who make it possible to do all the concerts at no taxpayer expense! I don't know of any other municipality that gets the support that we get – or that has as much fun doing it. Another reason I LOVE living in Green Island!

Three cheers for the Green Island Seniors who sponsored a spaghetti supper last Friday to raise money for the Green Island Little League. We served close to 200 dinners and raised over \$2,000 for the kids! Thanks to everyone who helped, but especially Jill Alix and Rachel Files. You guys are the BEST! Let's keep looking out for each other – yet another reason I LOVE this community!

That's it for this month. Hopefully I will have more time to be “chatty” in next month's newsletter. If it is still snowing in April – I QUIT!

Sincerely,



Ellen M. McNulty-Ryan