

# VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

Winter 2022

Village Office located at 509 Liberty Street

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## **VILLAGE BOARD...315-639-6260**

Mayor: James Eves Trustees: Bruce Nutting, Richard Stevenson  
Deputy Mayor: Bruce Nutting Daniel O'Connell, Renee Stano  
Village Board Meetings are held the third Tuesday of each month at 4:00 PM in the Village Office Conference Room, located at 509 Liberty St.

## **VILLAGE MANAGER...315-639-6260**

Stephen Lane

## **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS...315-639-4200**

Working Foreman: Mathew Shawcross  
Staff: Sherman Tucker, Lucas Peters

## **VILLAGE CLERKS OFFICE...315-639-6260** Fax: 315-639-3121

Monday-Friday 8:00am - 3:00pm

[www.villageofdexterny.com](http://www.villageofdexterny.com)

[mayordexter@villageofdexterny.com](mailto:mayordexter@villageofdexterny.com)

Village Clerk-Treasurer: Michelle McGrann Deputy Clerk-Treasurer: Danielle Queior

**Please Note: If you are physically handicapped or disabled and need to conduct business at the Village Office, please call the office at 315-639-6260 to make arrangements.**

## **PLANNING BOARD**

Chairman: Stephanie Ferguson Members: Deborah Harmann, Todd Reinhardt,  
Vice Chairman: Brian Moore Carol Oliver, Charlene Mannigan, Tammy Hanson  
Regular meetings are held the last Monday of each month at 6:30 PM, in the Village Office Conference Room located at 509 Liberty St, unless there is no business.

## **ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

Chairman: Donald Butler Members: Amy Kenney  
Vice Chairman: John Stano \*If your interested in becoming a Zoning Board member please contact the Village office\*  
Regular meetings are held the last Monday of January, April, July, & October at 6:30 PM, in the Village Office Conference Room located at 509 Liberty St, unless there is no business.

## **ZONING/ BUILDING CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**

James Millington: 315-639-6260 or 315-778-7566

**Office Hours: by appointment**

*VILLAGE OF DEXTER ZONING CODE & NYS BUILDING & FIRE CODES*

Under the above codes you may be required to have a building permit for construction, demolition, furnace or wood stove installation, plumbing alteration or electrical updates, roof replacements, & installation of pools or fencing within the boundaries of the Village of Dexter. This is a partial list of what may require permits. New York State has revised code requirements for many building permits including roofing. If you are considering improvements to your property, it is recommended you contact Mr. Millington to see if a building permit is required. Building permit applications can be mailed or picked up at the village office. The Zoning and Subdivision Law are on the Village Website under "Quick Links". Also, a "Resident's Toolbox" is available just above the Zoning Law. The "Toolbox" was written by Jean Simoneau, a former Chairman of the Planning Board, to make understanding the Zoning Laws easier.

## **VILLAGE HISTORIAN...315-639-3522**

John Stano [jstano366@gmail.com](mailto:jstano366@gmail.com)

John would appreciate donations or lending of stories, family pictures, and or artifacts from the Dexter Area. Check out [www.facebook.com/dexternyhistory](http://www.facebook.com/dexternyhistory) for great pictures and information!

## **POLICE...315- 639-6261** (Village Office)

P/T Police Officers: Christine Kennedy, Dennis O'Brien, and Steve Wood

**Jefferson County Sheriff's Dept...315-788-1441 Non-Emergency...315-786-2601**

**Emergency, Fire, Ambulance or Sheriff's Dept...911 NYS Police...315-782-2112**

*If you have a complaint or a problem and need assistance from the Police Department, please call the non-emergency dispatch number at 315-786-2601.* If one of the Dexter Police Officers is on duty, they will be dispatched to the problem. Otherwise, the nearest Jefferson County Sheriff or NY State Police Officer will be dispatched.

## **TOWN OF BROWNVILLE...315-639-6266**

Monday-Thursday Noon-5:00 PM/Fridays Noon-4:00PM

[www.townofbrownville.com](http://www.townofbrownville.com)

Supervisor: Richard Lane Town Clerk: June McCartin Deputy Clerk: Kim Raymond

Councilmen: Jeffery Timerman, Ronald Tepfenhardt, Richard Dodge, Albert Roberts

The Town issues marriage, hunting, fishing & dog licenses. Birth and death records.

**Town meetings are the first Wednesday of each month at 7:30 PM at the Town of Brownville Office located at 16431 Star School Road, Dexter.**

## **DOG CONTROL OFFICER...315-836-5312**, Betsy Ring

**ASSESSOR...315-639-3037** Fax: 315-639-3951  
Christine Thurston: [Brownville.assessor@gmail.com](mailto:Brownville.assessor@gmail.com)  
Assists residents with questions or concerns regarding their property assessment and exemptions.  
Office Hours: Mon & Tue 11am-2pm, Wed 11am-5pm, Brownville Town Office, 16431 Star School Road, Dexter.

**TOWN OF BROWNVILLE COURT...315-639-6266**

Town Justice: Justin Brotherton, Kathy Quencer  
Court Clerk: Lisa LaBrake 315-767-6940  
Court is held every Thursday at 6:00 PM in the Brownville Town Office, 16431 Star School Road, Dexter.

**DEXTER CEMETERY ASSOCIATION...315-639-6266**

Town of Brownville

**DEXTER CITIZENS COMMITTEE**

Alana Romeo...315-804-7923

**SMITH-SAVAGE AMERICAN LEGION...639-8803**

The monthly meetings for the American Legion are as follows:  
Legion Meeting: First Thursday each month at 7:00 PM.  
Auxiliary Meetings: First Thursday each month at 7:00 PM  
Sons of the Legion Meeting: First Thursday each month at 7:00 PM.

**COUNTY OF JEFFERSON BOARD OF LEGISLATORS**

William Johnson, District 2 Legislator, representing Towns of Lyme and Brownville.  
<https://co.jefferson.ny.us/towns-of-lyme-and-brownville>

**JEFFERSON COUNTY VOTER REGISTRATION...315-785-3027**

Registration forms are available in the Village office. Forms are used to register to vote in Jefferson County for General Elections. If there has been a change in your name or address since you last voted, or if you want to enroll in a political party or change your enrollment, you must fill out a new registration form. To qualify to vote, you must be 18 years of age & have resided at your present address 30 days before the election.

**FRONTIER HOUSING CORPORATION...315-965-8150** Fax: 315-293-2969

Office Located at 321 Lakeview Drive Dexter [info@frontierhousingcorporation.com](mailto:info@frontierhousingcorporation.com)  
[www.frontierhousingcorporation.com](http://www.frontierhousingcorporation.com)

**Board of Directors**

President: Cheryl Lane  
Vice-President: Kathy Finucane  
Treasurer/Secretary: Becky Flath  
Directors: George Youngs, Beth Todd,  
April Marvin, Tom Zecher

**Office Staff**

Executive Director: Laurie Hulbert  
Grants & Program Manager: Whitney Shanahan  
Properties Manager: Colene Acevedo  
Properties Manager: Jennifer Wadsworth  
Maintenance: David Sanford

**ATTENTION HOMEOWNERS**

Frontier Housing Corporation has grant funding available through NYS Affordable Housing Corporation and The North Country HOME Consortium for owner occupied rehabilitation. We serve the following townships: Brownville, Hounsfield, Henderson, Lyme, Adams, Ellisburg, Rodman, Lorraine and Worth. These grants provide financial assistance to help income-eligible homeowners with necessary improvements for their homes. Our focus is making the home safe and energy efficient by testing for lead based paint, replacing roofs, windows, doors and other repairs throughout the home. For more information, or an application, please contact: Frontier Housing Corporation, P.O. Box 56, 321 Lakeview Drive Dexter, NY 13634 Phone: 315-965-8150 Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:00 AM-4:00 PM Fridays-8:00 AM-1:00 PM.

**DEXTER FAIR HOUSING LAW**

The Mayor and Board of Trustees would like to remind residents that the Village of Dexter Fair Housing Law makes it illegal to discriminate in the sale or rental, or the provision of brokerage services due to race, creed, color, religion, sex, handicap, family status. If anyone feels that they have been discriminated against for any reason, please contact the Village Office at 315-639-6260.

**GENERAL BROWN CENTRAL SCHOOL...315-779-2300**

Superintendent: Barbara Case, [bcase@gbliions.org](mailto:bcase@gbliions.org)  
Assistant Superintendent: Lisa Smith, [lsmith@gbliions.org](mailto:lsmith@gbliions.org)  
**General Brown Junior/Senior HS...17643 Cemetery Rd. Dexter**  
Principal: David Ramie, [dramie@gbliions.org](mailto:dramie@gbliions.org)

**Brownville/Glen Park Elementary School...275 E. Main St. Glen Park**

Principal: Melissa Nabinger, [mnabinger@gbliions.org](mailto:mnabinger@gbliions.org)

**Dexter Elementary School...415 E. Grove St Dexter**

Principal: Laurie Nohle, [lnohle@gbliions.org](mailto:lnohle@gbliions.org)

**DEXTER ELEMENTARY PTO**

Please support educational opportunities for the students by collecting "Box Tops for Education Labels" on General Mills products, labels can be dropped off at the Dexter Elementary School Office. See the calendar on the district website for upcoming PTO events. Thank you for supporting the school.

### **HEAD START PROGRAM...315-782-4900 ext. 236**

Head Start is a pre-school setting for 3 and 4-year-old children. There is a home-based program available for rural areas. Transportation is available within boundaries. Healthy meals and snacks are provided. Field trips are offered. There is an inclusive setting for special needs children and family support services are available. Hearing, vision and developmental screenings are offered for all children. Bilingual services are available. There is no cost and it is within the General Brown School District. Head Start is sponsored by the Community Action Planning Council of Jefferson County.

### **AMBULANCE SERVICES...315-788-8105**

The Town of Brownville, with cooperation from the Villages of Dexter, Brownville and Glen Park, contracted with Guilfoyle Ambulance Service, Inc. to provide ambulance service on a 24/7 basis to the Town of Brownville and the Villages of Dexter, Brownville, and Glen Park. **Guilfoyle will bill your private insurance carrier, Medicare or Medicaid for their services. You will be required to provide Guilfoyle personnel with your insurance information when requested.**

Please Note: The contract does not include routine non-emergency transfers to and from the home, hospitals or doctor's offices. If you need an ambulance, please **call 911** and the Guilfoyle ambulance will be dispatched to your residence.

### **DISABLED PERSONS PERMIT**

Plastic hanging permits are available for Village residents at the Village Office. To obtain a permit you need an application certified by a physician, or a dated certification letter from your physician on official stationary stating a permanent or temporary disability. If you have a driver's license, a copy is required at the time the handicapped hanger is issued. A copy can be made at the Village Office.

### **VILLAGE SQUARE PUBLIC SIGN**

Nonprofit events may be advertised on the Village Square sign. Anyone wishing to use the sign will need to contact the Village Office at **315-639-6260** or stop in at the Village Office located at 509 Liberty Street.

### **PARKING**

**Whether there is snow or not the parking of vehicles is hereby prohibited on all highways or between the sidewalk & the street within the village of dexter between 2:00 am and 6:00 am November 1<sup>st</sup> to April 1<sup>st</sup>. Violators will be ticketed, towed or both.**

**Basketball hoops or any other obstructions within the Village Right of Way need to be removed. The Village will not be responsible for any incidents and or damages that may occur from such obstructions.**

Public parking at a local business must not interfere with emergency vehicles. Fire, rescue and ambulance vehicles must have a clear path to and from the Municipal Building at all times. There is no parking allowed on East Kirby St. across from the Laundromat in signed areas. Violators will have the appropriate action taken.

**Storage of abandoned, unused, or unlicensed motor vehicles upon private land within the village, unless wholly contained in a garage or other structure is prohibited. A 30-day permit can be obtained in the Village Office. Violators can be issued a fine of up to \$250.**

### **CUB SCOUT PACK 55**

Cub Scouts is open to all boys from kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. The Cub Scouts typically meet every Wednesday @ 6:30 PM at Scout Hall, 227 East Bronson Street, Dexter. {The former Catholic Church.} For further information on joining the Cub Scouts, contact **Mike Shanahan at {315}408-8049** or email at [pack55dexterny@gmail.com](mailto:pack55dexterny@gmail.com).

### **BOY SCOUT TROOP 55**

Troop 55 is now active with 11 scouts attending. Boy Scouts is open to all young men grade 5 through age 17. If you are interested in joining or becoming a Scout Leader, please contact **Mike Shanahan at 315-408-8049** or [troop55dexterny@gmail.com](mailto:troop55dexterny@gmail.com). If you would like to donate cans & bottles to the Troop, please drop them off in the shed at the Dexter American Legion parking lot, the shed is labeled as "Boy Scouts Drop Off for Bottles & Cans." Proceeds from these donations are crucial to the Troop, helping cover the costs of supplies, service projects and summer camp expenses.

### **VENTURING BSA [www.venturing.org](http://www.venturing.org)**

Venturing is a Youth Development Program of the Boy Scouts of America for young men and woman who are 14 years of age through 20 years of age. Venturing's purpose is to provide exciting, positive experiences to help young people mature and prepare them to become responsible and caring adults.

### **SEA SCOUTS [www.seascouts.org](http://www.seascouts.org)**

Sea Scouts is a specialized program for young men and women ages 14 to 20, organized to address boating skills and promote knowledge of our maritime heritage. Sea Scouts units focus on sailing and cruising either sailboats, power vessels or paddle sports. Dexter/Brownville area does not currently have a Venturing "Crew" or Sea Scout "Ship." If there are youths interested in joining or forming units, please contact **Mike Shanahan at 315-408-8049** or [troop55dexterny@gmail.com](mailto:troop55dexterny@gmail.com). You can register online for all program and levels of Scouting at [www.seascout.org](http://www.seascout.org)

**DEXTER FREE LIBRARY...315-639-6785**

120 East Kirby Street  
Email: [dexlib@ncls.org](mailto:dexlib@ncls.org)

Director: Kim Weston  
Staff: Barbara Patchett  
President: Liz Bourcy  
Vice President: Vacant  
Secretary: Jean Butler  
Treasurer: Rebecca Hall

Members at large: Marcia Schryver, Linda Carroll, Amy Kenney, and Sabrina Dettmer.  
Library Board of Trustees meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of month at 6:15 PM.

**Library Hours:**  
**Tuesday: 10am – 6pm**  
*(10am-Noon Seniors age 65+)*  
**Wednesdays: 10am – 6pm**  
**Thursday: 10am-6pm**  
**Saturday: 9am-Noon**

For upcoming events please visit us at <https://www.dexterfreelibrary.org> or check us out on Facebook or Instagram.

**DEXTER HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

President: Carolyn {Corky} Marlowe  
Secretary: Sonja Thompson  
Corresponding Secretary: Deborah Harmann  
Treasurer: Roy Parsons  
Board of Trustees meet at the Dexter Area Museum at 7:00 PM on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month.



*The Dexter Historical Society, in collaboration with the Dexter Volunteer Fire Department, is offering two "Special Occasion Calendars" for \$10 each or \$15 for both. Checks can be made payable to the Dexter Volunteer Fire Department. Contact Gerry Kostyk at 315-405-3412, Mike Heise at 315-778-6942 or Corky Marlowe at 315-782-4705. Calendars are good forever as there is no date on them. Thank You for your support!*

The goal of the Dexter Historical Society is to make the rich and interesting history of the Dexter area, including Limerick & Pillar Point, readily available to all residents of and visitors to our community. To this end, the Society presents a series of programs and events each year and maintains the Dexter Area Museum, 105 East Kirby Street. It is our goal to open the Museum to the public at regular times each week. To make this possible, we must first complete the sorting & detailed cataloging of the Society's holdings, a task which will require significant time and effort from a team of volunteers. We invite anyone interested in assisting with this task to join with us in our efforts to provide regular public access to the Museum.

The Museum building is now 180 years old. The exterior of the building has been scraped and repainted, the steeple has been repaired, and the bell which previously hung has been removed and mounted on a pedestal beside the Museum, with a big help from our fellow Village DPW. Interior maintenance still needs to be done; and pressure washing will be done to the exterior to remove grime and insects. Plans are being drawn up for The Last Station, a building to be constructed next to the Museum, which will house two old pumpers and other apparatus from the Dexter Volunteer Fire Department. Construction will begin on this building soon. Please consider making a donation to the Dexter Historical Society or to The Last Station project, in care of the Dexter Historical Society, PO Box 231, Dexter, NY., 13634. If you have questions concerning the project, please call **Carolyn Marlowe at 315-782-4705**.

All are welcome to attend the meetings to learn more about the Society's work & programs. If you are interested in becoming a member of the Society, annual membership fees, per individual, are as follows: Regular Membership: \$10.00; Sponsor Membership: \$20.00; Patron: \$30.00; Lifetime Membership: \$200.00. There is no membership fee for students. To join, send information and fee to the Dexter Historical Society, PO Box 231, Dexter, New York 13634.

If you would like to help us create a truly available Dexter Area Museum or would like more information about the Society, please contact the Society **President Carolyn Marlowe @ 315-782-4705 or [church314@twc.com](mailto:church314@twc.com)**

Check out Facebook.com and enter @dexternyhistory into the search bar. John Stano, Village Historian, has created & maintains the Facebook Page. We offer our sincerest thanks to the Dexter Community for all of your interest & support.

**SUNDAY WORSHIP**

Immaculate Conception	Brownville	Saturday: 5:30 PM, Sunday 9:00AM
St. Andrews	Sackets Harbor	Saturday: 4:00 PM, Sunday 10:30 AM
United Methodist Church	Dexter	Sunday 9:30 AM
United Methodist Church	Brownville	Sunday 11:00 AM
Presbyterian Church	Dexter	Sunday 11:00 AM
Presbyterian Church	Chaumont	Sunday 9:30 AM
Airport Fellowship Church	Dexter	Sunday 10:00 AM
St. Paul's Episcopal Church	Brownville	Sunday 9:00 AM

**DEXTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Located at 200-204 West Kirby Street in the Village of Dexter. The Church holds worship service every Sunday at 9:30AM. As of July 1, 2021, the church has welcomed a new Pastor, Joseph Auslander along with his wife Martha. They will be serving as a ¼ time pastor and we wish them well. Come join us... you will find friendly, welcoming people. A big thank you to all who donated to the Methodist Church sales throughout the 2021 year, we couldn't do it without you!



The Methodist Church has a St. Pauley Shed drop off box, available in the church parking lot, for community members to donate wearable clean clothing, shoes, belts, purses, linens, blankets, curtains, and stuffed animals. Please no rags or fabric scraps. All items must be tied in plastic bags before being placed in the drop box. This is a mission program. Used clothing is given to families in the United States as well as in 43 other countries. All items are shipped whole garment and will be worn by someone someplace. Receipts for tax deductions are available in the mailbox on the drop box.

### **TOWN OF BROWNVILLE FOOD PANTRY**

Located in the basement of the Dexter United Methodist Church

210 West Kirby Street, PO Box 642, Dexter, New York

**Coordinators:** Barb Compeau: 315-788-5238, Barbara Tyler: 315-271-5844

The Town of Brownville Food Pantry WELCOMES anyone who is in need of a little extra help each month.

### **Dates & Times the Food Pantry is open is as follows:**

#### ***January - October 2022***

Second Wednesday each month: 2:00-3:00 PM

Third & Fourth Wednesday each month: 6:00 PM-7:00 PM

#### ***November - December 2022***

First Wednesday each month: 2:00-3:00 PM

Second & Third Wednesday each month: 6:00 PM-7:00 PM

***\*If General Brown School cancels school because of weather the pantry will also be closed unless otherwise stated at the bottom of the channel 7 TV screen {channel 4 on Spectrum Cable}.***

**We thank you for your patience during the COVID-19 pandemic, the food pantry will allow you to choose your own food items again, with some restrictions listed below.**

- 1.) You will still remain in your vehicle at first until it is your turn. We will get your information and give you a number.
- 2.) The Town of Brownville Food Pantry is open to all qualifying residents in the Town of Brownville to include the Villages of Dexter, Brownville, and Glen Park. You will need to fill out and sign a short form, show a photo ID, along with two proofs of current residence showing your actual physical address such as a National Grid Statement {not PO box or an envelope}. All information provided is confidential and kept in locked files.
- 3.) Only one person per family will be allowed in the pantry. If you need extra assistance, the assistant will also need to abide by the rules.

The food pantry provides a five-day supply of food and you may choose your items. A volunteer will provide you with the quantity you will receive in regard to your family size. Residents from the Town of Brownville may visit the food pantry once a month. We do not make deliveries to your home.

The following is a list of food we try to keep in stock:

Canned Vegetables	Spaghetti Sauce	Dry Milk/Canned Milk	Juices
Jellies & Jams	Canned Fruit	Peanut Butter	Baby Foods
Dried Beans	Tuna Fish	Canned Meats & Stew	
Canned Pasta Meals		Frozen Meats	

The following are popular non-food items needed:

Bathroom Tissue	Tooth Paste/Tooth Brushes
Hand Soap	Shampoo
Deodorant	

**Drop off boxes located at the Dexter & Brownville Post Offices, the Brownville & Glen Park Village Offices, and the United Methodist Church in Dexter.** Please be sure to notify one of our contacts prior to dropping off any donations to the United Methodist Church to ensure that someone will be there. For monetary donations checks may be made payable to the Dexter United Methodist Church Food Pantry mailed to PO Box 642, Dexter, New York 13634.

Please no open or partially used products. New York State allows us to give out food items that are no more than one-year past expiration date. Volunteers check every item donated for expiration dates, please do not bring items that cannot be of use to us.

***The Town of Brownville Food Pantry wants to thank everyone who has generously made donations to the food pantry, especially during this Covid-19 virus. Our pantry appreciates your support, kindness and thoughtfulness towards others in our communities. We are able to keep our food pantry open because of caring people like you. We also thank all of our 35 volunteers who help run the pantry. They come from the three villages within the Town of Brownville, Watertown, and Town of Hounsfield. They include young and older men, women, students from the General Brown School District, Boy Scouts, and Cub Scouts. The pantry couldn't function without their help and dedications.***

**LOCAL LAW #4 OF 4-2017 DOG CONTROL**

According to Village of Dexter Local Law #4 of 2017, dogs are not permitted to run at large, deposit waste on public or private property, bark, howl, or whine continually, within the Village of Dexter. Violation of this law is punishable by a fine of \$25.00 or more. Any dog, running loose without a collar or tag will be considered unlicensed or any dog creating a nuisance will be picked up by the Dog Control Officer. Should you encounter a problem with a stray dog or a bothersome dog, please call the Dog Control Officer **Betsy Ring 315-836-5312.**

**DOG LICENSE**

To obtain a dog license, residents of the village can go to the Town of Brownville office, located at 16431 Star School Road, Limerick, Phone-315-639-6266.

**VILLAGE OF DEXTER PRIOR NOTICE LAW**

No civil actions shall be maintained against the Village of Dexter for damages or injuries to persons or property sustained by reason of any highway, bridge, sidewalk, or culvert being defective, out of repair, unsafe, dangerous or obstructed unless: written notice of such a condition was received by the clerk of the village, and there was a failure-neglect within a reasonable time after the giving of such notice to repair or correct the defect.

**The Village of Dexter’s Sewer Code {Article VI § 232-25} states the following:** “No person shall discharge or cause to be discharged any storm water, surface water, groundwater, roof run-off, sub-surface drainage, cooling water, or industrial process water to the public sewer.” This code includes sump pumps. It is illegal to discharge water from the sump pumps into the sanitary sewers. Sump pumps must discharge into the storm sewer or out into the yard. For questions, please call the Village Office at 315-639-6260 or the DPW at 315-639-4200.

**Per Village of Dexter Code §310-15: Damage to Water Meters**

“Any damage which any meter may sustain by reason of the carelessness of the owner, his agent or tenant of the premises or from neglect of any of them to properly protect the same, including any damage or injury that may result from allowing said meter to become frozen or otherwise injured, shall be paid to the Village of Dexter by the owner of the property served by such meter.”

**Village Law §6-602; Highway Law §319**

This is a friendly reminder that the Village of Dexter Department of Public Works/Highway Department has no liability in replacing or repairing mailboxes or other fixtures that are placed in the village’s right-of-way. During the course of roadway maintenance and snowplowing, such items may be unintentionally damaged. We regret that this may happen from time to time, but our road safety and maintenance is priority and of the utmost importance. Property owners have no right to interfere with a speedy and efficient removal of snow by placing the mailbox in such a position as to cause interference. There is no statutory law or legal authority which grants a property owner or resident along a public highway or street the right to place a mailbox in a highway right-of-way. Please see Village Law §6-602; Highway Law §319, which can be found online.

**WATER FILLING STATION**

The Village of Dexter has a water filling station  
Located next to the DPW building at 223 lakeview drive.

**WATER FILL RATES ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

2 INCH VALVE: \$1.50 – 250 GAL: \$3.00 – 500 GAL; \$6.00 – 1000 GAL  
1/2 INCH VALVE: \$0.50 – 5 GALLONS

\*Exact change must be used. Machine does not make change. Please read directions before operating.  
Questions: call the village office at 315-639-6260.

## **TRASH REMOVAL**

### **Refuse Hauler: PICK N GO PROPERTY WASTE SERVICES**

**Thursdays, beginning at 7am**

All recyclables and trash must be curbside by 7am in order to be picked up.

- Refuse is limited to six 33-gallon trash bags weighing no more than 40 lbs. each.
- All recyclables must be rinsed and cleaned. Recyclables can be placed together in one container or one CLEAR plastic bag.
- All cardboard must be broken down/flattened, tied and separated from all other trash and recyclables.
- Electronics, including televisions, will NOT be picked up on weekly trash days or during the Spring & Fall Cleanup Days. See notice below to dispose of electronics.
- Please place trash bags in trash cans with covers.

**Recyclables cannot be mixed with garbage.** Landfills are strictly enforcing the Jefferson County Recycling Law. The landfill will not accept and will issue fines to the Village for cardboard mixed with garbage.

**PICK N GO Recycles**

Our weekly **no-sort** recycling service can handle all of these items:

<b>Cardboard</b>	<b>Paper</b>	<b>Plastic</b>	<b>Metal</b>	<b>Glass</b>
Lightweight Cardboard Corrugated Cardboard	Newspapers & Inserts Junk Mail & Magazines Phonebooks & Paperbacks Brown Grocery Bags Milk & Juice Cartons	Plastic Containers (#1-7) Milk & Water Jugs Cottage Cheese, Yogurt, & Pudding Cups Soap & Detergent Bottles	Food & Beverage Cans Clean Aluminum Foil Aluminum Plates & Trays Empty Aerosol Cans Meal Lids	Clear, Green, & Amber Glass Canning Jars Liquor & Wine Bottles Food & Beverage Jars
<b>BUT NOT:</b> Wax-, Plastic-, or Metal-Coated Cardboard Styrofoam, Food-Contaminated Boxes	<b>BUT NOT:</b> Hardcover Books Napkins, Paper Plates, Cups Tissue/Toilet Paper	<b>BUT NOT:</b> Plastic Bags or Toys Styrofoam or Packaging Motor Oil or Rx Bottles	<b>BUT NOT:</b> Propane Tanks or Paint Cans Clothes Hangers or Silverware Small Appliances or Scrap	<b>BUT NOT:</b> Lightbulbs or Broken Glass Drinking Glass, Ovenware Dishes, Mirrors, or Windows

**UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS ALSO INCLUDE:**  
Contained Gaseous Waste · Dead Animals · Hazardous Waste · Infectious Waste · Mercury-Containing Waste · Liquid Waste  
Medical Waste · Pesticides & Chemicals · Radioactive Waste · Scrap Metals

**If the above rules are not followed the trash will not be picked up.**

For questions, please call the village office 315-639-6260.

When residents or contractors cut down trees within the Village of Dexter, they are responsible for taking away any and all wood and brush. The wood/brush can be disposed of at the Brownville Transfer Site.

The Town of Brownville Transfer Site also accepts electronics, to include computers, printers, monitors, televisions, microwaves and rechargeable batteries.

If you are a resident of the Village of Dexter, a permit for the transfer site can be picked up at the Village Office during normal office hours, there is no permit fee.

### **Brownville Transfer Site**

Game Farm Rd  
Brownville, Ny 13615

Hours for Village Residents are as follows:

**Wednesdays: 2:00 - 7:00pm & Saturdays: 8:00am - 3:00pm**

### **Jefferson County Recycling & Waste Management Facility...315-785-9072**

27138 State Route 12 North  
Watertown, New York 13601.

Hours for the facility are as follows:

**Monday - Friday: 7:30am - 3:00pm & Saturday: 7:30am - 1:00pm**

## **VILLAGE OF DEXTER NOTES OF INTEREST:**

To the residents of the Village of Dexter,

In 2016 the Village of Dexter underwent a multimillion-dollar sewer system upgrade. At that time Village residents were notified to have any and all discharge water that was being sent to the public sewer system rectified.

Per Village Code *Article VI Use of Public Sewers, 232-25. Drainage discharges*. It states "No person shall discharge or cause to be discharged any stormwater, surface water, groundwater, roof runoff, subsurface drainage, cooling water, or industrial process waters to the public sewer".

*Village of Dexter Sewer Code can be found on our website at [www.villageofdexterny.com](http://www.villageofdexterny.com)*

The Village is requesting inspections of the storm drainage discharges on all Village properties. The Village will begin enforcing removal of all "illegal" connections to the sanitary sewer system. The Dexter Code provides penalties at \$250 per day for the failure to comply with a notice to disconnect an illegal connection within 30 days. The Village expects there will be a high rate of voluntary compliance with this inspection program as the goal is to reduce sewer treatment plant costs, in turn keeping sewer rate increases to a minimum.

All residents are being asked to please call the Village Office to set up an appointment for an inspection with James Millington, Village of Dexter Code Enforcement. After being inspected documentation will be provided to the homeowner as well as being filed with the clerk in said residents file. Thank you for your time in the matter.

Respectfully,  
James R. Eves, Mayor

## **REMINDERS**

**Village office hours are 8:00am until 3:00pm Monday-Friday.**

The operation of Utility Terrain Vehicles is not permitted on Village roadways.

**THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS** currently has two vacancies to fill. Four credits of annual training are required for members as well as Village of Dexter residency. The Village will pay for all training. Workshops and webinars are offered covering up to date topics of interest to both the Planning and Zoning Board members. In March of each year the Tug Hill Commission, in conjunction with the Jefferson County Department of Planning and JCC offers a day long "Government Day." Classes are held throughout the day and 5 1/2 credits are given to each participant attending for the full day. This workshop gives members the required hours for the year and 1.5 hours to carry over into the next year. With the current Covid-19 pandemic many classes are being offered online through various organizations such as the Tug Hill Commission and Jefferson County Department of Planning. If you are interested in serving on the Zoning Board, please stop at the Village Office or call the office at 315-639-6260.

**WATER BILLS are mailed quarterly on or before January 10<sup>th</sup>, April 10<sup>th</sup>, July 10<sup>th</sup> and October 10<sup>th</sup>.** It is your responsibility to know when your bill is due, if you do not receive your water billing by the 16<sup>th</sup> of the month they are mailed out, please call the Village Office at 315-639-6260 for information on your billing. Please keep our office updated with current contact information and any address changes. **If the water, sewer, and refuse billing is not paid within the allotted 60-day period and service is shut off, a restoration fee will be charged and added to the amount due. The full amount due must be paid before services will be reinstated.**

**There is a drop box located next to the side entrance of the Village Office**, located at 509 Liberty Street, for your convenience. If you need to leave water payments, tax payments, building permits, or other information after office hours, please use this drop box. Be sure to put all payments in an envelope with your name address or account number included.

**Spring 2022 Newsletter** *new information is due March 14, 2022:* Articles/information can be e-mailed to [mayordexter@villageofdexterny.com](mailto:mayordexter@villageofdexterny.com), faxed to 315-639-3121, or left at the Village Office located at 509 Liberty Street, Drop box available.

★ **The Dexter Historical Society, in collaboration with the Dexter Volunteer Fire Department, is offering two "Special Occasion Calendars" for \$10 each or \$15 for both. Checks can be made payable to the Dexter Volunteer Fire Department. Contact Gerry Kostyk at 315-405-3412, Mike Heise at 315-778-6942 or Corky Marlowe at 315-782-4705. Calendars are good forever as there is no date on them. Thank You for your support!**

**Inked Paintings by Melissa**  
[Email-Stolenmoments2016@yahoo.com](mailto:Email-Stolenmoments2016@yahoo.com)  
[Stolenmomentsart.com](http://Stolenmomentsart.com)

Check out the website for more information about classes, events, and art shows throughout the year.  
[Facebook.com/Stolenmoments2016/](https://www.facebook.com/Stolenmoments2016/)



## LOCAL STORY: Who Saved Whom?

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11/14/2005 - 10/15/2021

I rescued a dog from Dexter, New York 15 years ago that recently passed away. In July of 2006, while on a family vacation in Dexter, this little boy named Bones came over to us and decided to stay with us the entire weekend even though his home was 3 houses over. I remember pulling burdocks off of him for hours... when going to bed that night I wanted him to come inside but this poor guy was covered with fleas and ticks. So happy to my eyes when I opened the door the next morning, he was right there waiting for me. We went for a long walk and on our way back he was running so fast through the woods that I hoped he wasn't going back to where he came from. Nope... He was right there waiting for me. While packing up our stuff to go home I looked at him and said I can't go home without you. Never so brave in my life I went over and asked the owner if I could bring him home, she gratefully handed me his bandana and collar and a book about Border Collies and told me his date of birth. I thanked her and promised I would bring him to a good home and love him. I was so happy that he would never be mistreated again.

On our way home: I said to myself what the heck did I just do. Well what WE did was rescued each other. I had lost my Mom two months before this boy named Bones came into my life and I truly believe she sent him to me. He came from the little town of Dexter and that is what we decided to name him. He is the best thing that has ever happened to me. He has been so loyal and protective of me. He loved playing in the snow and chomping on it. He always found THE BIGGEST sticks in the park. He loved going to Linear Park and run as fast as he could to the water where he would wait patiently for me to catch up to him so I could toss him rocks to catch while herding the water. He loved to bark at me and say: no more pictures Mom. He loved his water toy and tuggy... he loved running faster than crazy after tennis balls. He loved to go fishing and watch the guys cast and reel. But what he loved most of all were: belly rubs and lots of them.

One day I walked into a pet store and saw a calendar of a border collie playing agility and said I want to do that with my dog. I immediately googled agility training. We had a private lesson 3 days later and started training 2 days later and after 7 months we attended our first AKC show where Dexter came in 1st place 7/8 runs and earned his Novice Jumpers title (NAJ) and several after that: NA NAJ NF OA OAJ OF AX AXJ XF MX MXB MXS MXG MXC MXJ MJB MJS MJG MJC MJB2 MJS2 MXP MJP MXP2 MJP2 MXP3 MJP3 MJP4 MXPB MJPB.

He earned 3 Master Agility Championship titles and 1 Preferred Agility Championship title and his PAX. We attended the 2014 National Agility Championship show. He loved the jumps the most...flying high in the sky. I have always been so honored to walk into and out of the ring with him. I never realized how much confidence a dog could give a human. We have traveled many miles together but the most important "things" we have done on our agility journey is built a bond and trust for one another. I love and respect my Dexter boy more than I could ever put into words. I am so very proud of all of his achievements. He was a wonderful partner. We made so many wonderful friends while playing agility and camping 🐾🐾 he has brought so many people into my life whether in our neighborhood or at the park. He went everywhere with us, everyone loved him and he loved everyone.

He walked me down the wedding aisle with my Dad carrying our wedding rings. He kept my husband and I together through the years as we both loved him and he wanted to be with both of us. I have been so fortunate to be able to work from home the last 19 months to take care of him and watch my sweet boy grow old gracefully. He was the best co- worker and I miss him checking in on me and putting his sweet face on my lap. He was such a gift and I am so truly fortunate to have him in my life. I wish he was here licking the tears off my face like he always did. I love you my Sweet Dexter boy 🐾❤️

I miss your hugs and kisses 🐾🐾 and your unconditional love ❤️

I can't wait to see you at the Rainbow 🌈

Sincerely ~ Tara Lee Farrell



## **Winter 2022 Events**

Look for postings on the Village Sign and the Village Calendar [www.villageofdextery.com](http://www.villageofdextery.com)

Saturday Jan 1, 2022	<b>Wishing a year of Happiness &amp; Good Health to all!</b>
Monday, Jan 3, 2022	<b>Christmas Tree Pick Up</b> , Curbside, One Day Only
Wednesday, Jan 5, 2022	DVFD Meeting 7pm
Friday, Jan 7, 2022	Water Bills Mailed
Wednesday, Jan 12, 2022	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 2:00-3:00pm
Monday, Jan 17, 2022	<b>Martin Luther King Jr. Day</b> , Village Office Closed
Tuesday, Jan 18, 2022	Board of Trustees Meeting, 4:00pm
Wednesday, Jan 19, 2022	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 6:00-7:00pm
Wednesday, Jan 26, 2022	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 6:00-7:00pm
Monday, Jan 31, 2022	Planning Board Meeting 6:30pm if business Zoning Board Meeting to follow if business
Wednesday, Feb 2, 2022	DVFD Meeting 7pm
Wednesday, Feb 9, 2022	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 2:00-3:00pm
Monday, Feb 14, 2022	<i>Happy Valentine's Day!</i>
Tuesday, Feb 15, 2022	Board of Trustees Meeting, 4:00pm
Wednesday, Feb 16, 2022	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 6:00-7:00pm
Monday, Feb 21, 2022	Presidents Day, Village Office Closed
Wednesday, Feb 23, 2022	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 6:00-7:00pm
Monday, Feb 28, 2022	Planning Board Meeting 6:30pm if business
Wednesday, Mar 2, 2022	DVFD Meeting 7pm
Wednesday, Mar 9, 2021	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 2:00-3:00pm
Monday, Mar 14, 2022	Information Deadline for Spring 2022 Newsletter
Tuesday, Mar 15, 2022	Board of Trustees Meeting, 4:00pm
Wednesday, Mar 16, 2022	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 6:00-7:00pm
Thursday, Mar 17, 2022	<b>HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY!</b>
Wednesday, Mar 23, 2022	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 6:00-7:00pm
Monday, Mar 28, 2022	Planning Board Meeting 6:30pm if business
Wednesday, Apr 6, 2022	DVFD Meeting 7pm
Wednesday, Apr 13, 2022	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 2:00-3:00pm
Sunday, Apr 17, 2022	<b>Happy Easter!</b>
Tuesday, Apr 19, 2022	Board of Trustees Meeting, 4:00pm
Wednesday, Apr 20, 2022	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 6:00-7:00pm
Monday, Apr 25, 2022	Planning Board Meeting 6:30pm if business Zoning Board Meeting to follow if business
Wednesday, Apr 27, 2022	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 6:00-7:00pm