

# VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

Winter 2023

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: Lucas Peters, Justin Green

## **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

## **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, Ryan McIntosh, David Ladd

Vice Chairman: John Stano

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: Tuesday & Wednesday 9:00-11:30am

VILLAGE OF DEXTER ZONING CODE & NYS BUILDING & FIRE 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 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. Permit applications can be found on the Village website, mailed, or picked up at the village office. The Zoning and Subdivision Law are on the Village Website under "Zoning".

## **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: Chief Christine Kennedy and Steve Wood

Jefferson County Sheriff's Dept...315-788-1441 Non-Emergency Dispatch...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: Kim Raymond

Deputy Clerk: Deleha Decker

Councilmen: Jeffery Timerman, Ronald Tepfenhardt, Richard Dodge, William Pickett

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.

## **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, option 1**

Town Justice: Justin Brotherton, Kathy Quencer

Court Clerk: Jamilyn Moser...315-767-6940; Brownvilletowncourt@nycourts.gov

Court is held every Thursday at 6:00 PM in the Brownville Town Office, 16431 Star School Road, Dexter.

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

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.

### **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 6:00 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 to register to vote in Jefferson County for General Elections are available in the Village Office. If there has been a change in your name or address since you last voted, 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, PO Box 56 Email:[info@frontierhousingcorporation.com](mailto:info@frontierhousingcorporation.com)  
[www.frontierhousingcorporation.com](http://www.frontierhousingcorporation.com)

#### **Board of Directors**

President: Cheryl Lane

Vice-President: Tom Zecher

Treasurer: Becky Flath

Secretary: Beth Todd

Directors: Kathy Finucane, George Youngs, April Marvin

#### **Office Staff**

Executive Director: Laurie Hulbert

Grants & Program Manager: Whitney Shanahan

Properties Manager: Jennifer Wadsworth

Maintenance: Anton Attrill

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 Monday-Thursday 8:00 AM-4:00 and 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, or 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: Brian Moore, [bmoore@gbliions.org](mailto:bmoore@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: Janelle Dupee, [jdupee@gbliions.org](mailto:jdupee@gbliions.org)

### **GENERAL BROWN ELEMENTARY PTO You can help support the PTO by:**

- Supporting the backpack program which continues to provide weekend meals to over 55 students. Food, monetary donations, or simply donating some of your time are appreciated, items can be dropped off to either elementary building during school hours.

-Collecting and dropping off soda can tabs to either elementary school building. We collect these throughout the year and donate them to the Shriners Organization who uses the funds for Shriners Children's Hospital programs.

-Participating in our Box tops for Education Program. You can do this all from the comfort of your home! The "new" digital approach requires downloading an app to your phone and scanning your grocery receipts. There is nothing to send in! Scanning your receipts will allow the Box Top funds to be deposited directly into the school's account.

**We look forward to a great 2022-2023 school year! Thank you for supporting the PTO and your local schools!**

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

Head Start is a pre-school setting for 3 and 4-year-old children, sponsored by the Community Action Planning Council of Jefferson County. 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.

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

The Town of Brownville, with cooperation from the Villages of Dexter, Brownville and Glen Park, have 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.** The contract does not include routine nonemergency 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 stationery 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.

### ***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.**

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.**

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.

### **BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA PROGRAMS**

#### ***CUB SCOUT PACK 55***

Cub Scouts is open to all youth from kindergarten through 5th grade. Meetings are Wednesday evenings at 6:30 PM at Scout Hall, 227 East Bronson Street, Dexter.

For more information contact Mike Shanahan at {315}408-8049 or email [pack55dexterny@gmail.com](mailto:pack55dexterny@gmail.com)

#### ***BOY SCOUT TROOP 55***

Boy Scouts is open to boys ages 11 through 17. Meetings are Thursday evenings at 6:30 PM at Scout Hall, 227 East Bronson Street, Dexter.

For more information contact Mike Shanahan at 315-408-8049 or email [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 located in the Dexter American Legion parking lot, 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.

#### ***SEA SCOUT SHIP 55 AND VENTURING CREW 55***

Sea Scouts is a specialized program for young men and women ages 14 to 20. Sea Scouts units focus on sailing, boating and paddle-sport skills. Sea Scouts is the official youth program of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary.

Visit [www.seascouts.org](http://www.seascouts.org)

Venturing is a Youth Development Program of the Boy Scouts of America for young men and woman ages 14 through 20. Venturing units provide exciting, positive experiences to help young people mature and prepare them to become responsible and caring adults. Visit [www.venturing.org](http://www.venturing.org)

For more information contact Mike Shanahan at 315-408-8049 or email [troop55dexterny@gmail.com](mailto:troop55dexterny@gmail.com)

## **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: Sabrina Dettmer  
Treasurer: Rebecca Hall

Members at large: Marcia Schryver, Linda Carroll, Jean Butler, and Amy Kenney

**Library Board of Trustees meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of month at 6:15 PM.**

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

### **Library Hours:**

**Tuesday: 10am – 6pm**

**Wednesdays: 10am – 6pm**

**Thursday: 10am-6pm**

**Saturday: 9am-Noon**

## **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 7:00PM 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 food 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 over 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.

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. We offer our sincerest thanks to the Dexter Community for all of your interest & support.

## **THE LAST STATION CAMPAIGN**

### **DEXTER VOL. FD, INC. & DEXTER HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

The fundraising campaign for the Last Station Project, a building to be constructed next to the Museum, which will house two old pumpers and other apparatus from the Dexter Volunteer Fire Department, has slowed down a bit since the fall. Though slowing, the project is still very much alive. Thanks to several donations and a fire department chicken BBQ, in November, headed up by Nate Young, we have reached \$73,000. The Capital Campaign, headed up by Bill Haller, has also received several pledges for the project. We are sure, once we get through the holiday season, more pledges will be coming in.

Floyd (Duff) Kitto, PE recently completed a set of design building plans which have been submitted to the Village of Dexter as a part of the building permit application. The committee is currently in the process of obtaining firm cost numbers for the various construction phases of the project and are working with National Grid to secure electric and gas services for the new building. The stars are starting to align nicely and if they do, we are shooting to start construction on the building in early spring. Our goal is to get the foundation and building shell (including roof and siding) constructed so we can work on the interior as donations and funding come in.

Thank you to all that have and continue to donate to the project. Donors will be recognized by having their names placed on a chief's helmet and hydrants that will be displayed in the Last Station.

The following are the donor categories:

Chief's Helmet - \$1000+                      Gold Hydrant - \$500 - \$999  
Silver Hydrant - \$250 - \$499                Bronze Hydrant - \$100 - \$249

Over the winter we are going to be contacting friends and family members of firefighters and auxiliary members that have passed on regarding the Maltese Memorial Cross. The memorial cross is to honor firefighters and auxiliary members that have answered their last call. The final resting place for the memorial cross will be at The Last Station and will become an important part of the department's history. The plaques for the cross can be purchased by family and friends of those who served the Dexter Fire Department.



Forms, required for the plaques on the cross, are available by contacting Gerry Kostyk, Project Chairperson. Please phone or text 315-405-3412, or email [gstyk@twcny.rr.com](mailto:gstyk@twcny.rr.com). Please don't hesitate make contact if there are any questions.

Again, thank you to all that have and continue to donate to The Last Station Project, whether it be through the Dexter Volunteer Fire Department, Inc., or the Dexter Historical Society Capital Campaign. Everyone, please have a Happy and Prosperous New Year. We strongly believe 2023 is going to be the year that everyone is going to see The Last Station coming out of the ground!!

### **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

### **DEXTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Located at 210 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.

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, etc. 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 Pantry is open to all residents within the Town of Brownville** to include both residents within the villages of Brownville, Glen Park, Dexter as well as residents outside of the village limits and Pillar Point. We welcome anyone who is in need of a little extra help each month.

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

#### **January - October 2023**

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

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

#### **November - December 2023**

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}.*

### **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 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. 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 as well as our 35 volunteers who help run the pantry. Volunteers 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 dedication.***

#### **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.

#### **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.

**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 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."

#### **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

½ 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**

**PICK N GO PROPERTY WASTE SERVICES**

**Weekly Service, 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.

*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.**

Any 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.

For Village residents the Town of Brownville Transfer Site will accept electronics, to include computers, printers, monitors, televisions, microwaves and rechargeable batteries along with green material- leaves, lawn clippings and branches up to 4” diameter and 4’ lengths.

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**



## **PUBLIC NOTICES:**

### **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.

**WATER & SEWER BILLING** Beginning the April 1<sup>st</sup> through June 30<sup>th</sup> quarterly billing 2022, (reflected on the July bill), there will be a minimum quarterly bill for any water and or sewer account that is shut off. During the period which an account is inactive there will be no charge for water, sewer or refuse usage. However, the resident will still be responsible to pay their portion of the quarterly DANC and Water Debt \$63.00 and or Sewer Debt \$46.00 just as all active accounts do in their regular quarterly water bill. (Anyone tied into the water and or sewer system is responsible for paying their portion of the water/sewer debt for the infrastructure whether it is being used or not).

**SEWER INCREASE** Beginning the April 1<sup>st</sup> through June 30<sup>th</sup> quarterly billing 2022, (reflected on the July bill), there will be a sewer rate increase of \$10.00 per quarter to sustain the sewer debt payment.

### **SEWER DISCHARGES**

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”.**

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 resident’s file. Thank you for your time in the matter.

Respectfully,

James R. Eves, Mayor

### **REMINDERS:**

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

**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 of \$50.00 will be charged and added to the amount due. The restoration fee for turn on afterhours, weekends, and holidays is \$100.00. The full amount due must be paid before services will be reinstated.**

### **LOW INCOME HOUSEHOLD WATER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance accepting LIHWAP applications beginning Wednesday December 1, 2021. For more information visit <https://otda.ny.gov/LIHWAP>

**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 2023 Newsletter** new information is due March 20<sup>th</sup>, 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.



## **Winter 2023 Events**

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

Sunday Jan 1, 2023	<b>Wishing a year of Happiness &amp; Good Health to all!</b>
Wednesday, Jan 4, 2023	<b>Christmas Tree Pick Up</b> , Curbside, One Day Only
Wednesday, Jan 4, 2023	DVFD Meeting, 7pm
Friday, Jan 6, 2023	Water Bills Mailed
Wednesday, Jan 11, 2023	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 2:00-3:00pm
Monday, Jan 16, 2023	<b>Martin Luther King Jr. Day</b> , Village Office Closed
Tuesday, Jan 17, 2023	Board of Trustees Meeting, 4:00pm
Wednesday, Jan 18, 2023	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 6:00-7:00pm
Wednesday, Jan 25, 2023	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 6:00-7:00pm
Monday, Jan 30, 2023	Zoning Board Meeting if business, 6:30pm
Wednesday, Feb 1, 2023	DVFD Meeting, 7pm
Wednesday, Feb 8, 2023	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 2:00-3:00pm
Tuesday, Feb 14, 2023	<i>Happy Valentine's Day!</i>
Wednesday, Feb 15, 2023	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 6:00-7:00pm
Monday, Feb 20, 2023	Presidents Day, Village Office Closed
Tuesday, Feb 21, 2023	Board of Trustees Meeting, 4:00pm
Wednesday, Feb 22, 2023	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 6:00-7:00pm
Monday, Feb 27, 2023	Planning Board Meeting 6:30pm if business
Wednesday, Mar 1, 2023	DVFD Meeting, 7pm
Saturday, Mar 4, 2023	Fowl Night, DVFD, 7-10pm
Wednesday, Mar 8, 2023	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 2:00-3:00pm
Wednesday, Mar 15, 2023	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 6:00-7:00pm
Friday, Mar 17, 2023	Happy St. Patrick's Day!
Monday, Mar 20, 2023	Information Deadline for Spring 2023 Newsletter
Tuesday, Mar 21, 2023	Board of Trustees Meeting, 4:00pm
Wednesday, Mar 22, 2023	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 6:00-7:00pm
Monday, Mar 27, 2023	Planning Board Meeting 6:30pm if business
Wednesday, Apr 5, 2023	DVFD Meeting, 7pm
Sunday, Apr 9, 2023	<b>Happy Easter!</b>
Wednesday, Apr 12, 2023	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 2:00-3:00pm
Tuesday, Apr 18, 2023	Tax Day
Tuesday, Apr 18, 2023	Board of Trustees Meeting, 4:00pm
Wednesday, Apr 19, 2023	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 6:00-7:00pm
Monday, Apr 24, 2023	Planning Board Meeting 6:30pm if business Zoning Board Meeting to follow if business
Wednesday, Apr 26, 2023	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 6:00-7:00pm