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News from the Mayor



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The Minoa News will be published on a continuing basis.

The Village Board meets regularly on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month at the Minoa Municipal Building @ 7:00 pm.

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We have some great news to share with you. The Village of Minoa is one of many communities that can soon save money on energy bills as part of the Good Energy Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) program. On January 18th the New York State Public Service Commission (PSC) approved the Good Energy designed and managed CCA plans.

The village board is thrilled to be able to offer our businesses and residents a way to save on their gas and electric bills. New York's CCA enables local governments to purchase energy in bulk and energy consultants, Good Energy will manage the program.

My goals as mayor include finding ways to save money and being energy efficient, Good Energy has provided an easy, win-win way for residents of the village to save money on energy bills, and the village will have renewable energy options as well. It's not very often a municipality can offer a program that will save you money, give you more choices and not cost you a penny.

Once we sign an agreement, residents are automatically enrolled, though they aren't required to sign up; they'll subsequently receive a letter telling them how to opt out should they choose. Small businesses can also participate. If you are currently getting your gas and electric from a company other than National Grid, you will have to **Opt in** to the program. Absolutely nothing would change on your utility bill and it will still come from National Grid. As we move forward with this process <u>and</u> before we enter into a contract we will hold public community meetings to answer any questions you may have.

Very soon we will place two new "Little Free Libraries" in our community; one in Lewis Park and the other at Rees Field. The project was introduced to the board last fall and with the joint efforts of Minoa Library Director Laura Ravera and ESM Carpentry students the "Little Free Train Libraries" are ready for our parks! Inside each library you will find books for all ages to read and enjoy. Through Little Free Libraries, millions of books are exchanged each year, increasing access to books for readers of all ages. It's easy, just take a book to read and either leave a book or return the book to the "Little Free Train Library" for the next reader to enjoy. For more information on the "Little Free Libraries" program please visit https://littlefreelibrary.org/about/

Hope to see everyone soon - Have a safe summer!

Memorial Day Parade Monday, May 28th 9am



Our flag does not fly because the wind moves it. It flies with the last breath of each soldier who died protecting it. We remember your sacrifice today and every day.

> Memorial Day Chicken Barbecue American Legion Post 1102



10:30am Minoa Municipal Building Public is Welcome Half BBQ Chicken dinner Salt potatoes, baked beans, roll and dessert Take Out Only \$9 dinner

MESSAGE FROM THE MINOA POST OFFICE

The sun is out. The temperatures are rising. At last the screened doors and windows can let in the fresh air. Spring is finally here!

As you enjoy the great weather, however, please give some thought to hazards that come with the season, and take steps to protect the safety of your family, your friends, and your postal employees.

Dogs like the spring weather, too. Cooped up all winter, they want to play, now that it's pretty outside. But dogs can present a hazard. Last year, more than 5,600 letter carriers were attacked while on the job delivering the nation's mail. And that number pales in comparison to the more than four million Americans – most of whom are under the age of 13 – bitten by dogs all across the country.

What can you do to ensure that your dog doesn't injure someone? First, be sure that your pet is always properly restrained. Make sure your fences are secure and locks are in place. Make sure that your children understand that your dog should not be allowed out, except while on a leash controlled by a responsible family member. And make sure they know how to keep themselves safe around animals, because even your neighbor's usually friendly dog might bite.

Bees, wasps and hornets like warm weather, too. They often make nests in cozy places, such as mail receptacles, porch overhangs, and flower beds. Thousands of people are allergic, making a bee sting a potential life-threatening event. What can you do to stop bee stings? Periodically check your mailbox, the eaves and overhangs of your house, and your flower beds, and remove any insect nests promptly.

Help protect your letter carrier and have a wonderful and safe spring.

MESSAGE FROM THE CLERK-TREASURER

PENALTY SCHEDULE	PERCENT
June 1 – July 2, 2018	No Penalty
July 3 – July 31, 2018	5%
August 1 – August 15, 2018	6%
August 16 – August 31, 2018	6% + \$1.00
September 1 – October 1, 2018	7% + \$1.00
October 3 – October 31, 2018	8% + \$1.00
November 1 – November 17, 2018	14.45% + \$1.00 Payable to ONONDAGA COUNTY CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER

Village taxes are due by July 2, 2018 without penalty.

In person payments can be made at the Village Office Monday – Friday, 8am – 3:30pm Payment drop box is always available outside the Clerk's office when the building is open To make an on-line payment visit <u>www.villageofminoa.com</u>

Save the Date



Onondaga County Rabies Shot Clinic Thursday, August 2nd 5PM – 7PM Minoa DPW 100 Kalin Drive

Please keep your pets on a leash or in a carrier and keep them close to you. If possible bring your pets past rabies records. New York State Public Health Law requires that all puppies and kittens get their first rabies shot at three months of age. They also need to get a booster shot at one year old and then again every three years. Ferrets must get a shot every year.





Aug 17th • Walrus

<u>Cruisin' In Minoa • Lewis Park • Every Friday Night • 6pm</u>

May 11 th ● Tom Chick	June 29 th • I Am Fool
May 18 th • Coachmen	July 6 th • The Degenerators
May 25 th • Jeff Hinman	July 13 th • Big D Orchestra
June 1 st • Minoa Field Days	July 20 th • Timeline
June 8 th • Mood Swing	July 27 th • Machin & Vincent
June 15 th • Jackie & Dave of Grit n' Grace	Aug 3 rd • Loose Gravel
June 22 nd • Matt Chase & Thunder Canyon	August 10 th • The Other Guise

September 8, 2018 6th Annual Festival in the Park

Check our website or Twitter for rain dates or cancellations!