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The Village of Minoa Completes Clean Energy Project with Funds Awarded through Clean Energy Community Designation

The Village of Minoa (Village) today announced that it has completed upgrades to the Village's Wastewater Treatment Facility to make it more energy efficient including installing four new energy efficient water pumps and a new high-tech influent pump control panel (PLC) using funds awarded through the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority's (NYSERDA) Clean Energy Communities program.

Announced by Governor M. Cuomo in August 2016, the \$16 million Clean Energy Communities initiative supports local government leaders across the state by providing grants to eligible municipalities to implement energy efficiency, renewable energy and sustainable development projects in their communities. The Clean Energy Communities program advances the Governor's Green New Deal by demonstrating the importance of communities in helping New York reach its goal of having a carbon-neutral economy as soon as practicable and a carbon-free power grid by 2040.

The Village of Minoa received Clean Energy Communities designation on February 7, 2017 for completing four of 10 high-impact clean energy actions identified by NYSERDA. The designation gave Minoa the opportunity to apply for \$100,000 toward additional clean energy projects, with no local cost share. The Village decided to use these funds towards upgrades at the Wastewater Treatment Facility located at 102 Kalin Drive, which are expected to save the Village \$10,710.45 per year in energy costs and reduce greenhouse gas emissions by about 33.09 metric tons per year.

Built in 1937, the Wastewater Treatment Facility services about 3,700 residents, five schools, and several other nonresidential entities. The Village's vision in using the NYSERDA Clean Energy Communities grant funds was to develop a plan that expanded the capabilities of the Facility and to do it in a way that decreased its energy footprint. Over the years, the Village has developed a very efficient wastewater treatment system, driving down energy use and increasing consumer cost savings. Because of the Village's efficient Wastewater Treatment facility, residents in the Village of Minoa will be exempt from new, higher taxes that will be imposed onto County residents for upgrades to the County's infrastructure and plants.

Utilizing state-of-the-art technology that allows the pumps to run underwater without damage to electrical components, the new pumps will also protect the Village in case of a flooding disaster. The new PLC also provides advanced capabilities to the pumps which reduces energy usage and carbon footprint. Unanticipated issues at the facility may now be addressed remotely, saving the Village time and money.

Steve Giarrusso, Wastewater Treatment Facility Supervisor, stated, "The NYSERDA CEC grant enabled the Village of Minoa to turn a vision into a reality that will benefit its residents and environment for years and years to come."

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Mayor of Minoa, William Brazill stated, "When I came into office, one of my goals was to continue to find ways to save money and be energy efficient. When I learned of the Clean Energy Communities program, I jumped on it because it fit well with what we were trying to do. Positive outcomes of this program are two-fold, it brings Minoa up to date with new energy technology and brings a cost savings to both the village and our residents. I am really proud of the entire village staff and their work in making Minoa a county-wide leader in green technology."

Alicia Barton, President and CEO, NYSERDA said, "The Village of Minoa is the latest example of Clean Energy Communities in every region of the state taking action to address climate change and reduce harmful greenhouse gas emissions. Congratulations to the Village of Minoa on their new upgrades and for playing an important role in advancing Governor Cuomo's nation-leading energy strategy to reduce energy use, lower consumer energy costs, and protect the environment for future generations."

"The Village of Minoa demonstrated true leadership as the first municipality in Central New York to become a NYSERDA designated Clean Energy Community. Minoa's commitment to making clean energy investments will improve the efficiency of local government, reduce taxpayer burden and improve the quality of life for residents," said Chris Carrick, Energy Program Manager for the Central New York Regional Planning and Development Board.

To earn the Clean Energy Community designation, the Village of Minoa completed the following high-impact clean energy actions:

- **Adopted a Benchmarking policy** to track and report the energy use of the Village's municipal buildings.
- **Streamlined the local approval processes for solar** projects through adoption of the New York State Unified Solar Permit.
- **Deployed an alternative fuel vehicle** in the Village's municipal fleet.
- **Converted** streetlights to energy efficient LED technology.

Cities, counties, towns and villages that complete at least four of 10 high-impact clean energy actions are designated Clean Energy Communities and are eligible to apply for funding of up to \$250,000 to support additional clean energy projects. NYSERDA is accepting applications for funding on a rolling basis through September 30, 2019 or until funds are exhausted, whichever comes first.

Additional clean energy action items communities can take to achieve designation include:

- **Implementing Community Choice Aggregation (CCA)** so residents can gain greater choice and control over energy use a group.
- **Earning Climate Smart Communities Certification** through the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) for developing a comprehensive program to reduce its carbon footprint and improve the environment.
- **Undertaking a community-based Solarize campaign** to reduce solar project costs through joint purchasing.
- **Performing energy efficiency and renewable energy upgrades** to municipal buildings to achieve 10 percent reduction in greenhouse gas emissions.
- **Establishing an Energize NY Finance Program** that enables long-term, affordable Property Assessed Clean Energy financing for energy efficiency and renewable energy projects at commercial buildings and not-for-profits.
- **Completing energy code enforcement training** on best practices in energy code enforcement for the Village's Code Officer.

Clean Energy Community Coordinators are also available at no charge to help communities develop and prioritize clean energy goals, access easy-to-use resources such as guidance documents and case studies, and take advantage of available funding and technical assistance opportunities.

The Central New York Regional Planning and Development Board (CNY RPDB) provided assistance as a regional coordinator in earning CEC designation and access to one of the available grants. The CNY RPDB is available to provide similar assistance to other municipalities in CNY that wish to pursue any of the ten high-impact actions. Please contact Chris Carrick, Energy Program Manager, at 315-422-8276 x1213 for more information.

Local government officials or employees can find more information on the Clean Energy Communities Program and contact information for their regional coordinator on the NYSERDA website www.nyserda.ny.gov/cec.

MESSAGE FROM THE CLERK-TREASURER

Village taxes are due by **July 1, 2019** without penalty.

PENALTY SCHEDULE	PERCENT
June 1 – July 1, 2019	No Penalty
July 2 – July 31, 2019	5%
August 1 – August 15, 2019	6%
August 16 – September 3, 2019	6% + \$1.00
September 4 – October 1, 2019	7% + \$1.00
October 2 – October 31, 2019	8% + \$1.00
November 1 – November 15, 2019	14.45% + \$1.00 Payable to ONONDAGA COUNTY CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER

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 <http://ongov.net/rpts/>

DID YOU KNOW ...

If you attach a "No Solicitors" "No Peddlers" or "No Agents" sign on or near the front entrance of your home or business it is **prohibited** for any peddler or solicitor to ring the bell or knock upon or enter your property.

Section 110-15B of the Code of the Village of Minoa reads:

"It shall be unlawful for any peddler or solicitor in plying his or her trade to ring the bell or knock upon or enter any building where there is painted or otherwise affixed or displayed to public view any sign containing any or all of the following words: "No Peddlers" "No Solicitors" "No Agents" or other wording, for the purpose of which to prohibit peddling or soliciting on the premises."





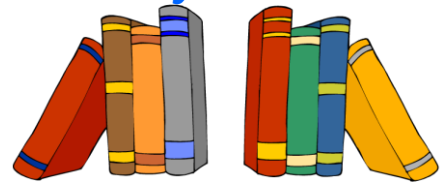
Onondaga County Rabies Shot Clinic
Thursday, August 1st
5PM – 7PM
Minoa DPW 100 Kalin Drive

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.



SATURDAY, JULY 13TH

**Village-Wide Garage Sales
Library Book Sale**



**Saturday, July 13th
8AM – 5PM**

Cruisin' In Minoa • Lewis Park • Every Friday Night • 6pm

Check our website or Twitter for rain dates or cancellations

June 28th • Loose Gravel

July 5th • Denn Bunger

July 12th • Timeline

July 19th • Cheap Date

July 26th • Machin & Vincent

August 2nd • The Degenerators

Aug 9th • Big D Orchestra

August 16th • I Am Fool

**7TH ANNUAL FESTIVAL IN LEWIS PARK
SEPTEMBER 7, 2019**

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German-American Society of CNY presents the
59th Annual Syracuse Bavarian Oktoberfest
IN LEWIS PARK



**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4TH – 3PM-10PM
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5TH – 11AM – 10PM**

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