

**February
2022**

Mayor's Message

Punxsutawney Phil saw his shadow on February 2nd predicting 6 more weeks of wintery weather! It has been a snowy winter for us, but we can look forward to a beautiful western New York spring.

A big thank you to our crew for the great job they have been doing to keep our streets and sidewalk safe for all of us! And thank you to the town crew who helped clearing snow piles during the heavy snowstorms!

Our general, sewer, and electric budgets are coming together; these will be presented for public review and input before adoption by the board.

Congratulations to Vickie Almquist on her appointed position as Planning Board Alternate; Vickie previously served on the planning board and will bring experience and perspective.

Genesee County Emergency Management Services is requesting input from county residents relating to fire and emergency support. It is important for all of us to share thoughts and concerns on the requested survey so that the future decisions made reflect the needs of our community. Please take a minute to read through the letter included in this mailing, and to take the survey. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact the office.

Plans are coming together for the proposed restroom building in Hickory Park. This project is included in the funding provided by the American Recue Plan Act for the purpose of COVID mitigation; a great opportunity to provide everyone with a new facility we have not been able to fund on our own. Draft plans will be made available on the village website when they are received.

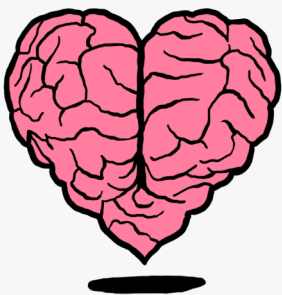
There is still time to participate in the Hometown Banner program for 2022; applications are due by February 25, 2022.

Stay warm and safe!!

Mayor Anna Marie Barclay

Christmas Luminaries in the Village of Bergen

Looking for a couple of volunteers to help with an upcoming project. Please let me know if you are interested in helping out!



Alzheimer Support is a free service that assists Bergen families who have loved ones with Alzheimer's disease or dementia. Through the free search tool and database of Alzheimer's care facilities, families in need of care for their loved ones can locate licensed care homes and communities in the Bergen area that are best equipped to provide care for their loved ones. We have added the website address to the village website for your reference.

<https://www.alzheimersupport.com/memory-care/new-york/>.



Village Emergency Contact Numbers

Electric 353-0981
Sewer 353-3659



Village Meetings

All meetings are open to the public

Bergen Summer Recreation

Bergen Summer Rec is collecting cans and bottles!

If you are interested in donating your empty cans and bottles, please drop them off at the Bergen Bottle Redemption Center, 72 South Lake Avenue and let them know it is for Bergen Rec. The money will go toward buying supplies for Bergen Summer Rec!

We look forward to seeing you this summer for **SIX** weeks of fun at Hickory Park!

This is a **FREE** program for Bergen children ages 5 and up.



Board of Trustees

Second Wednesday of the month
6:30pm

Planning Board

Third Wednesday of the month
7pm
Agenda items must be submitted no later than ten days prior to the meeting

Zoning Board of Appeals

Fourth Thursday of the month
7pm
Agenda items must be submitted no later than ten days prior to the meeting

Save the Date

Village Elections

Elections for the Village Mayor and two Village Board members for four year terms will be held on Tuesday, March 15th from 12pm - 9pm.

Applications for absentee ballots may be requested from the Village Administrator by phone, email to vob@villageofbergen.com, or at the Village Office.



2022 Summer Recreation Program



Look for more information on the **SIX** weeks of our summer recreation program coming soon!

We still have some Covid-19 test kits available at the Village Office. First come, first serve. Limit of two per household.



Hometown Heroes Banner Program



The Bergen Triangle Club, Ladies Auxiliary of the Sackett-Merrill-White American Legion, and the Friends of Bergen are proud to announce the Hometown Heroes Banner Program. The program serves as a tribute to recognize service men and women from Bergen who are currently serving our country in a branch of the military. We have hung our first banners along Route 19. We are still accepting orders for more to add to those.

Information and application forms are on the village website.