

## Proposed Public Information release for Board vacancies

### An Opportunity To Serve the Penn Yan Community and Help Shape Its Future

The Village of Penn Yan has openings on its three land use Boards. The Village utilizes three separate Boards for addressing land use matters.

First, the Planning Board (PB) hears and reviews site plans for new developments in the Village, as well as issuing special use permits. Recent examples are the Tractor Supply Store on 14A and the Hampton Inn Hotel at the head of Keuka Lake.

Next, the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) hears applications for variances. Variances are requests to deviate from the Village Zoning Code. There are strict rules that apply to whether or not a variance may be granted. The ZBA is also empowered to make decisions on questions of interpretation of the Zoning Code.

Finally, the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) deals with matters related to buildings in the Historic Preservation District in the Village. Certain restrictions are placed upon changes to buildings under the jurisdiction of the HPC. The HPC hears and renders decision upon applications for changes to buildings in the Historic Preservation District.

Serving on these land use Boards offers not only an opportunity to serve the community, but also affords a voice in how Penn Yan is developed. This is particularly important with the recent receipt by Penn Yan of the \$10 million revitalization grant from the State of New York.

Each of these three boards consists of five members and two alternate members, all of whom are volunteers from the community. Training for Board Members is arranged by the Village, at no cost to the volunteer members.

There are presently openings on all three Boards. Those interested in serving are invited to contact the Mayor, any of the Village Trustees or the Village Clerk's Office at (315) 536-3015. We look forward to hearing from you!