

WINTER 2023

NEWSLETTER



Village of Penn Yan Department of Public Works



THIS WINTER SEASON

BE PREPARED, BE AWARE, & BE PATIENT

There are several things the public can do to keep safe with snow and ice control efforts.

- Approach snowplow equipment with extreme caution. Be considerate of snowplow operators. Do not tailgate plow trucks or sanders.
- Keep sidewalks clear to protect others and maintain a walkable village - See page 2 for more information.
- To avoid hazards, do not put or blow snow in the roadway or shoulders of roadway while clearing your sidewalks and driveway.
- There is no street parking on any public highway within the Village of Penn Yan between the hours of 2:00 AM and 6:00 AM during the period beginning November 1 and ending April 1 of each year.
- Remove all non-permanent seasonal items from within 10 feet of the edge of pavement.
- Do not keep trash receptacles curbside or within 10 feet of the road unless for pickup.
- Keep storm drains clear of brush, leaves, and snow. Storm drains provide routes for rain water and snow melt away from our roads and prevent flooding and potential ice conditions.

Winter Safety

The Village of Penn Yan Streets Department's goal is to provide a transportation system that is passable and safe as much of the time as possible; within the limitations of the environment, availability of equipment, material, and personnel resources. As a result of the limitations, it is recognized that there will be occasions when pavement and bridge surfaces will be slippery and/or snow and ice covered. During these times, drivers must recognize these conditions and operate their vehicle in a safe manner.

Priorities are established to provide the greatest benefit to the majority of traveling public. In determining priorities, consideration is given to traffic volume, road classification, terrain, emergency services, drift exposure and drainage problems.

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Thank you for your continued support of the Village of Penn Yan DPW.



HAPPY Holidays

We hope everyone has a Happy and Safe Holidays!

The Village purchased a 20' tall Christmas Tree this year utilizing Independent Energy Efficiency Program (IEEP) funds. IEEP provides a broad range of energy efficiency projects and services. Residents can utilize different rebate programs IEEP has to offer by visiting our website and completing the applicable forms at villageofpennyan.com/municipal-office.html.

Sidewalk Snow/Ice Removal Maintenance Procedure

The Village would like to remind all property owners that they are responsible for removal of snow and ice from sidewalks on their property per section 174-1 of Penn Yan Municipal Code. If you do not own your property, check your rental or lease agreement to see what your sidewalk clearing responsibility is.

Snow/ice must be removed within 24 hours of a snow event ending. A snow event ending is defined when snow stops falling or a travel advisory is lifted. If snow is continuous, sidewalks should be cleared every 24 hours. If sidewalks are not cleared within this period, the Village will have the snow and/or ice removed at the property owner's expense.

Clear sidewalks are a shared community responsibility, your attention to this matter is appreciated.

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION

- Cemetery Roads will have seasonal limited use as they will receive no maintenance during Winter. Please travel at your own risk during this time.
- Trails are not maintained during the winter months as we prioritize safe travel on our roads.
- Parks bathrooms have been winterized for the season.

DEPARTMENT PROJECTS

The Department of Public Works has completed significant projects to date this year in all departments. Here is a highlight of some larger projects completed.

STREETS

Main Street (Water Street to Clinton Street), Water Street, Wagener Street, Serenity Place and Charles Hermann Way were paved. Keuka Street, Burns Terrace, Glencoe Ave, and Seneca Street were micropaved.

PARKS/FACILITIES

The parks have received more maintenance and landscaping this year. Village Hall and the Firehouse roof have both been replaced. Boat launch docks were replaced (thanks to the Streets Department for their labor and Yates County for funding the materials). New Tennis/Pickleball Courts are in progress at the Boat Launch with anticipated completion in Spring 2024.

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT (WWTP)

The WWTP has successfully completed the installation of the Ultra-Violet (UV) Disinfection process. The purpose of disinfection is to reduce the concentration of pathogenic microorganisms to protect human health and prevent the spread of disease. The secondary digester was cleaned and inspected. The Cherry Street pump station wet well was cleaned and three new actuated valves were installed to replace manually operated valves that were no longer functioning as intended. A new, larger emergency generator was purchased and installed to replace the 40 year old Detroit diesel generator that no longer met the needs of the plant equipment loads.

WATER TREATMENT PLANT (WTP)

The WTP has rehabilitated one of it's three filters and will continue to do so over the next two years. The plant is currently undergoing a SCADA System upgrade.

WATER/SEWER

Water main was replaced on Main Street, Ogden Street, and Wagener Street. Sewer mains were lined on South Ave, Hillcrest Drive, Orchard Lane, Crescent Drive, and Sunset Ave.

ELECTRIC

Several new pole lines have been installed for new developments. We have started a pole replacement program to proactively update our infrastructure.

Thank you to all of our employees for their hard work and dedication! This work would not be possible without them.

