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RIPLEY TOWN HALL

14 North State Street P.O. Box 352 Ripley, NY 14775

Town Supervisor: Doug Bowen

ripleyts@fairpoint.net Office: 716-736-2209 Home: 716-736-4418

RIPLEY TOWN CLERK OFFICE

Rebecca Rowe Carvallo 716-736-6881 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9 a.m. – Noon 1:00 p.m. –5:00 p.m. Saturday Mornings 9 a.m. – Noon Closed Wednesdays

The Town Clerk's Office is also closed

during various Holidays

The Town Clerk may also be reached during her off hours at: 736-6856(H) or 736-9341(cell) Rebecca Rowe Car-

JUSTICE DEPARTMENT

Justice Vera L. Hustead P. O. Box 573 Ripley, NY 14775 Office: 716-736-7575

Clerk: Jodie D'Anthony **716-736-7575**

courtclerk@ripley-ny.com

Monday Evenings 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m Tuesday & Thursday 9:30 a.m. -Noon

& 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Traffic Court held Monday 6:00p.m. Calendar Call Held: 2nd Thursday of each month 2:00 p.m.

TOWN ASSESSOR

P.O. Box 352 Ripley, NY 14775 716-736-4050 ripleyta@fairpoint.net

BUILDING/ZONING CODE OF-

FICER - Melanie Eddy P.O. Box 2 Ripley, NY 14775 716-736-3737 ripleybz@fairpoint.net Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 a.m.-Noon & 1:00 p.m.—3:00 p.m.

RIPLEY TOWN BOARD Meets the

2nd Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Building located in the Ripley Central School 14 North State Street.

RIPLEY PLANNING BOARD

planningboard@ripley-ny.com Meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Offices located in the Ripley Central School on N State St The Public is welcome to attend these meetings.

All public non-essential businesses currently closed due to COVID-19 shelter in place orders. Dollar General, Stop & Shop & State Line Store are open. Meeder's Restaurant and Wings & Things open for take-out only. Ripley Hardware is open. Ripley Town office open from 9-12 with limited access, M-T Th-F

Ripley Mobile Food Pantry

Formerly called Food Express Open to all Chautauqua County and North East, PA residents

These are the changes in the food distribution as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak.

Arrive at the fire hall between 11:45am and 12:30pm, park in the parking lot, do not leave your vehicle until instructed to do so, to receive your number.

If you are a first time patron, you will be required to submit an ID and paid utility bill to verify residence.

Do **not** bring your own boxes or bags, they will be provided at the site. No patron will be allowed into the fire hall so there will be no public restroom available.

If you are picking up for someone else, please let a volunteer know so a separate box can be prepared. There is one box allowed for each household.

Boxes will be prepacked. When your number is called, you will drive to the open door on Route 76 (South State St.) to receive your box. Remain in your vehicle.

The first distribution of food using this plan went well and there have been Bonus Dates added to serve the community. Dates for food distribution are as follows:

April 15, April 29, May 13, May 27, June 10, June 24, July 15, July 29, August 12, August 26, September 16, September 30, October 14, October 28, November 11, November 25, December 16, and December 30

If you have any questions, please direct them to Leigh Lyon at (716) 233-0345 or if you e-mail her at:

mslilcop570@gmaill.com and provide her with your e-mail address, she will send e-mail information directly to you.

If you have friends who do not have computers or e-mail and would benefit from these provisions, take just a moment to call them with the dates and times.

Ripley Trash & Recycle Days

Located near the Highway Barn on Ross Street, open the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month from 8a.m. until noon. Ripley bags may be purchased at the Town Building and Meeder's Restaurant. Recyclables may be dropped off on those days. Please enter via North State Street.

Water/Sewer Department

Shaun Waters, Supt. 10168 W. Lake Road Ripley, NY 14775 ripleywp@fairpoint.net Office: 716-736-6000 Cell: 716-581-3281

Highway Department

Jim Spacht, Highway Supt. 50 Ross Street P.O. Box 506 Ripley, NY 14775 ripleyhs@fairpoint.net Office: 716-736-3434 Cell: **716-753-6553**

Dog Control Officer

Aaron Gibbons, DCO Cell: 716-223-0316

Town Historian

John "Doc" Hamels

Fire Department **Actual Emergency Call** 911

Ripley Hose Company #1 P.O. Box 342 12 South State Street Ripley, NY 14775 716-736-2001 Mark Smith, Fire Chief 716-736-2490 Ripley Hose Company #2

South Ripley Fire Hall 10268 NE-Sherman Road Ripley, NY 14775 James Spacht, Deputy Fire Chief 716-269-4754

Police Department Actual Emergency Call

Chautauqua County Sheriff's Mayville, NY 14757 716-753-4231

To have About Town and The Bookworm newsletters sent to you directly, send your name and email address to:

thebookworm14775@gmail.com

Ripley Library

Two Ripley Public Library Board seats will be up for election this June, term beginning July 1st. If you are interested in running for the Library Board, please contact Rhonda Thompson, (716) 736-3913 or email director@ripleylibrary.org

Ripley Beach Town Park Needs Volunteers

The new retractable aluminum stairways to Ripley Beach are ready to be installed, however, installation is postponed until it is safe for groups to gather. We will need volunteers to help with this task, as well as assistance clearing/ cleaning-up our 14.5 acres on the Ripley Beach Town Park. Anyone interested is encouraged to sign up with the Town Clerk's Office at Town Hall (736-6881) or Email Mike Rowe at <u>ripleyds@fairpoint.net</u>.

Volunteer time is necessary to demonstrate local match allowing us to draw down the \$240,000 grant from NYS Department of State Local Waterfront Revitalization Program. Help us reclaim some of our tax money for a local project.

2020 United States Census

National Census Day is April 1st (no foolin'). In mid-March you should have received a notice to take part in the census, which takes place every ten years. You are encouraged to go online to fill out your census information. The Census Bureau DOES NOT release your information to any other agencies. It is safe to be counted and it is necessary to be counted. No citizenship question is asked.

"Data that is gathered from the census helps determine governmental district boundaries, ensures states are accurately represented in the U.S. House of Representatives, and is part of the formulas for how federal funding is allocated among social service agencies, highway planning, educational grands and other types of programs.

Individual census data is not shared with any other government agency. Vulnerable individuals, can safely be counted among the population, and SHOULD be counted.

From Desk of Post Command 2769, David Bower

April 1 April Fool's Day

April 5 Palm Sunday

April 6 U.S. Entry into WWI, 1917; Persian Gulf war ended (1991)

April 8 Passover begins

April 10 Good Friday; American Legion Auxiliary birthday (1919)

April 12 Easter Sunday

April 15 Tax Day

April 16 Passover ends

April 22 Earth Day

April 24 Arbor Day



As we go through these trying and difficult times, let's be safe and we will get through this because we are a strong nation and have good leaders. As always, let's pray for all our troops who protect us and our freedom.

Local Worship Services

First Baptist Church Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

First Presbyterian Church
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
St. Dominic Roman Catholic Church
Saturday Worship 5:30 p.m.
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
South Ripley Methodist Church

South Ripley Methodist Church Sunday Worship 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

Stateline United Methodist Church

Stateline United Methodist Chu Sunday Worship 11 a.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Still Waters Mennonite Church Sunday Service 9:30 a.m. United Methodist Church Sunday School 9:30am Sunday Worship 11 a.m. Victory Family Church Sunday Worship 10 a.m.

Check with your local church to determine whether services are currently being held.