Village of Argyle

Village Update

March 01, 2022

Water Billing

We have finally installed all the water meters that we can for our customers. They are proving useful in showing how much water is being consumed by each household. We have borrowed \$165,000 for the new well so far, and the billings rates need to be increased to cover repayment of this debt. Your bill includes a charge for the amount of water used as well as a base charge for water service. This is a much more fair way of charging.

New Well Status

We are experiencing problems with buying equipment for the chlorination system in the new well. This is related to the overall supply chain shortage, and we don't know when or if special parts will arrive. As soon as these parts come, we should be able to use the new water.

Source Protection Plan

We are starting a study with the Lake George Lake Champlain Regional Planning Board that will help to plan for our drinking water needs in the future. This should give us options for good water before they are actually needed. This should also help us to obtain grant funding. We are starting the study using the past research done by the New York Rural Water Association.

Infrastructure

There is much discussion in the national news about infrastructure spending to stimulate the economy. The Village has many needs for sidewalks, sewers, and water mains. We have been in contact with State officials to position our needs in a way that will draw funding. So far, we are being told that targeting of Federal money will not be known until the summer.

Community Improvement

A new volunteer group has formed with the purpose of making Argyle a better place to live. It is following a pattern set by the old Argyle Improvement Association. To get involved, please contact Carol Kuhr at 518-638-6309 or email argyleimprovementassociation@gmail.com.

Board elections

The Village election will be March 15, 2022. Two trustee positions and the mayor will be up for election. The vote will be held at the Presbyterian Church from Noon until 9 PM. Nominating Petitions have been received for Charles Edwards and Ian Hamilton as Trustees. The office of Mayor will be filled by write-in votes, since no one filed a nominating petition. Please participate.

Board Meetings

Monthly meetings of the Village Board are being held on the first Monday of the month at 5:30 at the Yellow House behind the Presbyterian Church. The meetings are "in person", but we have been offering a Zoom link to those who are not able to attend. Please contact the clerk.

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