



We hope you'll discover the special joy of being a part of Wappinger—whether you are visiting, made this your home, or considering becoming a part of our community.

Our magnificent natural resources are yours to enjoy. From the shores along the Hudson to the rolling hills along the rail trail— the land for hiking and biking and a wide variety of pleasurable dining experiences and shops to tempt your fancies and treat the senses.

To help you spend your time truly enjoying your leisure, we suggest you make use of this guide to assist you with directions and recommendations.

We hope you enjoy your time with us, and discover the joy that is Wappinger, a community for all cultures, creeds, and backgrounds.









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A Message from your Wappinger Town Supervisor



Welcome to Wappinger! We are a blessed waterfront community located in New York's beautiful Hudson River Valley, just 70 miles north of New York City. Boasting a Hudson River shoreline coast Wappinger is home to 28.5 square miles of quiet neighborhoods, five star dining, premier shopping amenities, breathtaking natural sites, fascinating history, exceptional schools, over 17 miles of waterfront, and so much more! We hope that you will immerse yourself in the pride and joy that makes up Wappinger. Whether you're a resident, business own-

er, or one of our many visitors, the Town of Wappinger hopes that the initiatives taking place in your town and by your government spark your interest in getting involved in our community.

Enhancing our quality of life here in Wappinger remains a top priority: continuing to bring quality water and sewer services to our residents and businesses; seeking inter-municipal cooperation and grant funding; initiating various Town Code and related reforms including ethics code, local laws for zoning, code enforcement; and improving highway and emergency services. We have continued to improve communications with Town residents and visitors by increasing the use of social media, creating a brand new Town Website, and fully utilizing WappingerTV on channels 22 on Cablevision and 35 on Verizon. We are enhancing our programs for promoting social initiatives including opiate addiction, harassment, anti-bullying, resident safety, woman's intercultural association, etc.;

We will continue to address aging infrastructure, including authorizing the re-paving annually of approximately 5-7 miles of Town roads; building and grounds improvements such as the Brexel-Schlathaus Park facility, Highway Department Garage, Wappinger Town Hall, Carnwath Farms Historic Site & Park; and continuing to add new gateway signs at the entrances to the Town. Ignored for too long is the promotion of smart sustainable economic development that will improve the quality of life throughout our town, and focus on inspiring a different attitude and new community pride. This will enable us better to brand our community in the eyes of outsiders and to be friendlier to those new opportunities in business, social and cultural events, as well as improving the morale of our Town personnel.

Whether it's to live, work, or visit we are so excited that you have chosen Wappinger and we hope you enjoy your time in this Hudson River Valley Community. Please peruse this guide and keep it readily available for daily reference.

Dr. Richard L Thurston, Esq. - Supervisor, Town of Wappinger, Dutchess County, NY



TOWN OF

WAPPINGER

NEW YORK

Elected Officials



Supervisor Richard L. Thurston 845-297-2744



William H. Beale Ward 1

845-249-8319



Councilwoman Angela Bettina Ward 2

845-204-5256



Councilman Chris Phillips Ward 3

845-391-6850



Councilman Al Casella Ward 4

845-803-6359



Town Clerk Joseph P. Paoloni

845-297-5772



Town Justice Carl S. Wolfson 845-297-6070



Town Justice Heather Kitchen

845-297-6070



Superintendent of Highways Michael J. Sheehan

845-297-9451



Get to know who to call in WAPPINGER TOWN HALL





Town Hall Main Number — 845-297-4158

Assessor — 845-297-8275

Comptroller - 845-297-0060

Code Enforcement – 845-297-6256

Dog Control — 845-297-1030

Highways - 845-297-9451

Historian – 845-297-4158 ext. 107

Justice Court – 845-297-6070

Receiver of Taxes – 845-297-4342

Parks & Recreation – 845-297-0720

Senior Center – 845-297-3670

Supervisor – 845-297-2744

Town Clerk - 845-297-5772

Water & Sewer Billing – 845-297-1850

Additional Service Numbers

CAMO Pollution Control

- 845-463-7310 (Water & Sewer Issues)

Village of Wappingers Falls

-845-297-8773

Village of Wappingers Falls Police Department

- 845-297-1011

EmStar – Town of Wappinger Ambulance BILLING ONLY

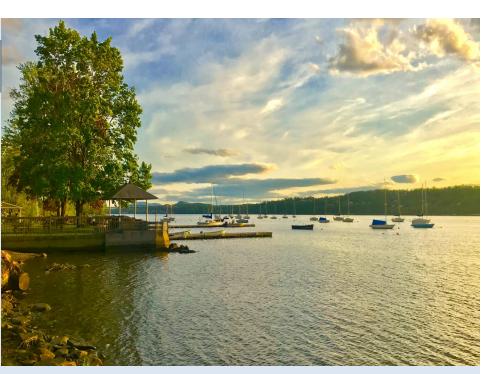
-845-621-9300

Emergencies Call – 911



A Waterfront Community

Wappinger is home to 28.5 square miles of scenic beauty and recreational enjoyment. Bordering the majestic **Hudson River** to the west, the scenic **Wappinger Creek** to the north, and the **Sprout Creek** to the east, we are proud to have a lot to offer in terms of water access. Residents can access the Hudson from our Chelsea Boat Launch or sit high above the valley and experience breathtaking views from Carnwath Farms Historic Site & Park. Paddle-boarding and kayaking are favorite pastimes along the lower Wappinger Creek and Lake. The Town of Wappinger maintains over 1,000 acres of land for recreation and environmental protection. You can hike along the Hunter Creek ridge at Reese Park Town Nature Preserve or hit a home run at William "Big Guy" Farrell Fields at our Robinson Lane Baseball **Complex.** Catching the Fall foliage is definitely something you do not want to miss in Wappinger! From the bluffs along the Hudson River to the rolling hills of the farms; the vibrant burning colors of the leaves at the peak of the season will have you in awe. Stop by the orchards in Myers Corners to pick your own apples where the scent of pumpkin spice fills the air! Go trick or treating Halloween night in one of our community patrolled neighborhoods or try our "trunk or treating" at Schlathaus Park during our Town's Halloween event. Wappinger turns into a winter wonderland upon the first snow fall. Ice skating, sleigh riding, and simply building a snow man creates many special family memories throughout Town. Drive around Town watching the twinkling lights on the homes of your neighbors or watch the tree lighting at Schlathaus or Mesier parks. Wappinger is truly a town for year round!













An Interfaith Community

The Town of Wappinger is home to nearly 20 churches, temples, and places of worship of almost all faiths. From the temples on All Angels Hill Road to the historic churches in the Village of Wappingers Falls, we are proud to be a multi-cultural interfaith community!



Bethel Missionary Baptist Church — 2607 South Ave, Wappingers Falls, NY | (845) 296-0102

Community Baptist Church – 226 All Angels Hill Road, Wappinger, NY (845) 297-8130

First Presbyterian Church – 2568 South Ave, Wappingers Falls, NY (845) 297-2800

Grace Bible Church — 158 Myers Corners Road, Wappinger, NY (845) 298-8481

Hindu Samaj Temple – 3 Brown Road, Wappinger, NY (845) 297-9061

Iglesia Cristiana El Sembrador – 2368 Route 9D, Hughsonville, NY www.iglesiaelsembrador.com/

Immanuel Church – 253 Myers Corners Road, Wappinger, NY (845) 297-3409

Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witness – 383 All Angels Hill Road | jw.org

MidHudson Chinese Church – 306 All Angels Hill Road, Wappinger, NY (845) 298-9345

MidHudson Islamic Assoc. — 125 All Angels Hill Road, Wappinger, NY (845) 297-0882

MidHudson Sikh Cultural Society – 274 Ketchamtown Rd, Wappinger

New Hackensack Reformed Church – 1580 Route 376, Wappinger, NY (845) 462-0810

St. Gregory's Orthodox Church – 1500 Route 376, Wappinger, NY (845) 462-3887

St. Mark Episcopal Church – Liberty Street, Chelsea, NY (845) 297-2010

St. Mary Catholic Church — 11 Clinton St, Wappingers Falls, NY (845) 297-6261

Zion Episcopal Church – 12 Satterlee Place, Wappingers Falls, NY (845) 298-8644



Exemplary Education

Ensuring the best education for Wappinger children is a top priority of our schools. The Town of Wappinger is served by three highly ranked school districts and one private elementary institution. The Wappingers Central School District encompasses most of the Town of Wappinger in its entirety. The District operates the following schools within the Town; James S. Evans Elementary School, Myers Corners Elementary School, Wappingers Falls Junior High School, and Roy C. Ketcham High School. The Arlington Central School District includes a portion of the northern section of Wappinger and the Beacon City School District covers the hamlet of Chelsea at the southwestern portion of town. SUNY Dutchess operates a campus within Wappinger offering Associates Degrees in a wide variety of majors.



Wappingers Central School District

25 Corporate Park Dr, Hopewell Jct. 12533—(845) 298-5000

Arlington Central School District

144 Todd Hill Rd, Lagrangeville, NY 12540—(845) 486-4460

Beacon City School District

10 Education Drive, Beacon, NY 12508—(845) 838-6900

Randolph School (Private K-6)

2467 NY-9D, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590—(845) 297-5600

Dutchess Community College

(845) 431-8000

TOWN OF WAPPINGER OFFICE OF THE TOWN HISTORIAN

A Message from your Town Historian



One of the missions of this office has been to promote some of our town's most interesting pieces of our past; stories that had either been lost or forgotten about until recently. Since first being appointed to the Office of the Town Historian at 12 years old, I have been fortunate enough to engage various aspects of the community in our rich history. As a community advocate, I serve on the boards of several not-for-profit organizations

and participate in many community events that help build our sense of pride here in Wappinger. My goal in serving you as your Town Historian is to uncover our lost past to advance our Town and to instill in our residents a sense of pride to live in the Town of Wappinger.

Joey Cavaccini – Wappinger Town Historian



WAPPINGER HISTORICAL SITES

<u>Mesier Homestead</u> - 2 Spring St. Wappingers Falls Wappingershistoricalsociety.org

Carnwath Farms Historic Site

-81 Carnwath Farms Ln.

Carnwathfarms.webs.com

Sports Museum of Dutchess Co.

72 Carnwath Farms Ln.

Sportsmuseumofdcny.org

Discover Wappinger 🦠

Wappinger, before its incorporation in 1875, has a long history steeped in heroism, innovation, and prosperity, which has allowed our town to grow. A central location just 70 miles north of New York City, and boasting a Hudson River coast, contributed to the town's significant agricultural and industrial past. Wappinger takes its name from the Wappinger or Wappani Native Americans who lived along the east side of the Hudson. The Town is home to 28.5 square miles of quiet neighborhoods, five star dining, premier shopping amenities, breathtaking natural sites, fascinating history, exceptional schools, and so much more. Made up of the non-incorporated hamlets of Chelsea, Hughsonville, New Hackensack, Swartwoutville, Myers Corners, Middlebush, Diddell, and Fowler House; and ¾ of the incorporated Village of Wappingers Falls; the Town of Wappinger has a distinct character based off of its rich and unique past.

In 1659, Wappinger became the first settled geographical area in Dutchess County, when Christian settlers from the Massachusetts Bay Colony came here seeking religious freedom. They established a small illegal settlement at the mouth of the Wappinger Creek and several months later were removed by the Dutch authorities. It wasn't until 1685, when Francis Rombout and Gulian Verplanck were the first to legally purchase 85,000 acres from the Wappinger Native Americans. This would later be known as the Rombout Patent. The patent covered the towns of Fishkill, East Fishkill, Wappinger, the City of Beacon, and parts of LaGrange and Poughkeepsie. These municipalities were once all part of the Town of Fishkill.

Following the Rombout Patent, the first legal land purchase within the Town of Wappinger was in 1714 when Elias Van Benschoten purchased land and settled in the hamlet of New Hackensack. Following him were other families from Hackensack, New Jersey. Centered around the intersection of All Angels Hill Road, New Hackensack Road, and Route 376 (named New Hackensack Square), the commercial activities of this hamlet included some stores along Route 376, its Main Street, most notably the Woronock House, a Victorian era tavern and inn that operated there for almost a century. With the expansion of the Hudson Valley Regional Airport, which was founded during World War II, many of the hamlet's main street structures and farm homes dating to the original setters of Wappinger were demolished.

Nicholas and his father Adolphus Brewer, Dutch millers, purchased over 700 acres of land near the 75 foot cascade in the Great Wappinger Creek (later the Wappinger's Falls) in 1738. Nicholas built his small stone frame house, which was later used by his son during the early years of the Revolutionary War as a "spy headquarters" for the Committee for Detecting Conspiracies (a predecessor to the CIA). The Wappinger Creek during this time was also a major port for ships and barges established by George Washington for the Continental Army during the Revolutionary War. Nicholas sold his home in 1776 to Peter Mesier, a New York City loyalist, who conducted a store from his home and charged a high price for tea. So high, that the neighbors became furious, and in May of 1777 broke in to the Mesier's store beat and tied Peter, his wife, and his slaves then locked them in the basement, drank their wine, and then took all of the tea. This became known as the Wappinger Tea Party. After this the Mesier's change their

political views and became well respected members of this community. This structure has been known for centuries as the Mesier Homestead, the ancestral home of the Mesier family from 1776 to 1891 when it sold with five of the original 700+ acre estate to the Village of Wappingers Falls.

In 1760, Jacobus Swartwout, who was the highest ranking American general in Dutchess County, purchased 3,000 acres of land in the southeast corner of town. In 1775, at Jacob Griffin's Tavern in Swartwoutville, there was a series of "Rendezvous" there in reference to the Tories and creating a spy network by the Committee of Safety and there during a meeting they named Swartwout's farm a village, Swartwoutville. The meetings defined the role this county played during the American Revolution. George Washington, Marquis de Lafayette, Baron von Stueben, and Israel Putnam all visited the hamlet during the Revolution. The commercial center of the hamlet was centered around a short strip on Route 82 between Lomala in the Town of Fishkill and the bridge at the Sprout Creek. Here the hamlet boasted some stores, light brick manufacturing due to the swampy mud nearby, and a district school.

In 1782, the Middlebush Methodist Church was established. The property was owned by Abraham Van Wyck. A year later, in 1783, the Middlebush Cemetery was established, which is now owned by the Town of Wappinger. There are three veterans in this cemetery, two Civil War, and one American Revolution. In 1824, the Middlebush Post Office was established, when the hamlet was a strong center of commercial importance during the mid18th century to the early 19th century. During the Victorian age, records show that Middlebush's name was changed to Fowler House. This name comes from Dr. Orson Fowler who in the 1860s, constructed a stately five story octagon mansion on Albany Post Road, today south of Acura near FowlerHouse Road on Route 9. Prominent authors such as Edgar Allen Poe and Arthur Conan Doyle visited "Fowler's Folly" because it was said to be filled with spirits. It was demolished using dynamite by Dutchess County Health officials after Fowler's death, since the structure fell into a deplorable state of disrepair due to the fact that the residents of Wappinger were scared of the spirits within its walls.

According to legend, in 1696 Captain Kidd set sail from New York Harbor up the river to Hughsonville, since the area was not settled, Kidd buried his stolen treasure somewhere within the hamlet, will you be the one to find it? Hughsonville became a commercial center of the Town throughout the 19th century. Settled initially by William Hughson and his three brothers circa 1740, the hamlet grew to one of a church and many commercial enterprises. The Hasbrook family went on to develop much of the commercial structures that are centered around the hamlet's main intersection. Most notably, the bright pink Nesting Doll shop, is a remnant of the Hasbrook's development. The Hughsonville Presbyterian Church was constructed in 1840 and became the center of the hamlet's activities. In 1847, the Hughsonville Post Office was established. By 1912, the Hughsonville Fire Company, first fire company within the Town of Wappinger, was created. Located along the Hudson River corridor sits the elegant manors and estates of some of New York's most wealthy families. The Wheeler Hill Historic District centered around Wheeler Hill Road and Old Troy Road, is home to many Victorian mansions that sit high above the majestic river.

The deep waters of the Hudson River near Chelsea was a great source of food for the Wappinger Indians and the early settlers of Wappinger. The hamlet of Chelsea, originally Low Point, and then Carthage Landing, was a hamlet of industry. The town's first railroad station was located there. At the time the station's name was Carthage Landing, and the name of the post office was Low Point. The post office in the hamlet was opened in 1840 and just ten years later the name of the Post Office also became Carthage Landing. In the 1860's, the Carthage Landing Mill was constructed then by 1870 it was turned in to the Carthage Cement Factory. By 1908, the hamlet got the name Chelsea-on the-Hudson. Once a busting port center, Chelsea was also a stop along the Hudson River Dayliner. The Chelsea Yacht Club, was started in 1881 as the Carthage Ice Yacht Club. Like many of the yacht clubs along the river today, their beginnings started with the sport of ice yachting. Due to the fact that the Hudson River once froze solid, many would use ice yachts as a method of transportation, but also for racing. Top speeds of 90 mph were recorded as clubs would race against each other from village to village along the Hudson. The ice yacht movement in Carthage Landing was started by Moses Collyer, a sailor from Tivoli who moved to the hamlet in 1868. Further north in the hamlet, along River Road North, stands an imposing brick structure which serves as an entrance shaft to the Delaware Aqueduct, the longest tunnel in the world. Starting in the Catskill Mountains and running under the Hudson River for 85 miles to New York City, the tunnel supplies most of the City of New York's drinking water.

Diddell hamlet was named after the Diddell family who were the descendants of the Griffin family of Swartwoutville. The area was on several traders routes for caravans in the 18th and 19th centuries. In 1892 the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad opened the Maybrook line and established the Diddell Train Station there. This is now the William R. Steinhaus Dutchess Rail Trail. The Montfort, Diddell, Sleight, and Robinson families inhabited much of the north west sections of the Town.

Much of the Town's industry was located in the Village of Wappingers Falls. At one time there were close to 20 factories operating at one time. The largest factory being the Dutchess Bleachery, where fabrics were produced and dyed for sale. The local waterfall (Wappinger's Falls) was important for early industrial development. In 1819 a small cotton mill was built in the hollow created by the creek as it descends down into the gorge. The two halves of the Village are connected by an 1884 stone arch bridge that replaced earlier wooden covered bridges that date to pre-revolutionary times. The Village of Wappingers Falls was incorporated in 1871 and included the adjacent community on the west side of the Wappinger Creek, by then called Channingville. The east side was known as Franklindale. The Village of Wappingers Falls once housed at its peak, over 20 factories and over 40 saloons. One factory within the village was the Sweet Orr Overall Factory, which produced the first pair of denim jeans in the world!

Once the Town of Wappinger was officially created from the Town of Fishkill on May 20th 1875, it took another year to elect officials. The first meeting was held at the Brower Brother's Wagon Shop on Mill Street. The meetings of Town officials took place

in the homes of the elected officials, whose jobs were mostly to maintain roadways and bridges.

In 1939, Dutchess County resident and President Franklin Delano Roosevelt launched his New Deal and created commissions to get the nation out of the Great Depression. He used Dutchess County as his "guinea pig" for many of his Works Progress Administration projects some of which are located here in Wappinger. The Village of Wappingers Falls police station was originally built in 1940 as a post office personally designed and approved by FDR himself. The Wappingers Falls Junior High originally housed kids in grades K-12 from the towns of Wappinger, Fishkill, East Fishkill, Lagrange, Poughkeepsie, Philipstown, and Kent. Today, this is the Wappingers Central School District. The school building was retrofitted for war time needs including a bomb shelter, and its stately clock tower once had guns mounted atop to defend the president in case of an attack on his Hyde Park home. The Hudson Valley Regional Airport formerly the Dutchess County Airport was established during WWII as the New Hackensack air field. This is where Winston Churchill would land whenever he came to visit FDR.

With the population boom of the 1950s and 1960s here in Dutchess County, Wappinger was forced to accept a new wave of settlers, most of which were employed with the International Business Machine Company, or IBM, located in Poughkeepsie and in East Fishkill. Much of Wappinger's farm lands were developed into suburban neighborhoods, changing the landscape of Wappinger forever. On August 16 1960, then candidate John F. Kennedy landed at Hudson Valley Regional Airport, greeted by a throng of 5,000 people. He also visited with 200 people at the Dutchess Co. Police Officers Assoc. Clambake that day, which was being held at the Warnock House, adjacent to the airport. Around 1970, the Albany Post Road (Route 9) became the main commercial hub of the Town and Village, where many businesses had choose to open up shop. During the 1980 Winter Olympics at Lake Placid NY, the Olympic Torch passed through Wappinger traveling up Route 9.

In 2000, the Town of Wappinger made history by preserving history with the purchase of Carnwath Farms Historic Site & Park. A 99.7 acre estate turned town park that sits high above the Hudson River with beautiful views of the surrounding valley. This site is home to the 1850 pre-restoration Carnwath Manor, and several other buildings spanning the centuries. This site is forever preserved as a town park for passive recreation.

We have great historical locations here in Wappinger, The Mesier Homestead Museum, the Grinnell Library, CoSM the Chapel of Sacred Mirrors, Obercreek, Carnwath Farms Historic Site & Park, and the Sports Museum of Dutchess County, take some time to explore our town and learn more about our hidden treasures.

I hope you have learned about this great town we call home, if you ever have any questions, please do not hesitate contact the Town Historian's office at 845-297-4158 ext.107. Written by Joseph D. Cavaccini, Wappinger Town Historian.



The *New Hackensack District School* No. 3. Still stands today as a private residence on Route 376 in New Hackensack

The *Hughsonville Presbyterian Church,*constructed in 1840

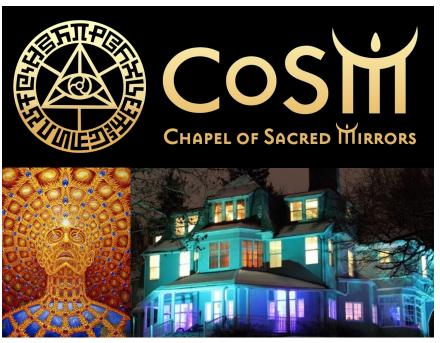




The Poughkeepsie—
Wappingers Falls Electric
Railway ran from Terminal
Square up West Main Street,
north on the Albany Post
Road to Market Street in the
City of Poughkeepsie

The *Chelsea Yacht Club*and waterfront. Originally formed as the Carthage
Landing Ice Yacht Club





CoSM, Chapel of Sacred Mirrors is a sanctuary of visionary art with the mission to inspire and evolve the creative spirit. World renown artists Alex and Allyson Grey are your hosts to further the spiritual practice of art, CoSM offers workshops and cultural programs.

Gallery | Bed & Breakfast | Café | Shop | Outdoor Exhibits

www.cosm.org



46 Deer Hill Road (off of Wheeler Hill RD), Wappinger, NY

Mesier Homestead Historic Site & Museum



Visit us and take a walk back in time...

Come experience the early history of the Wappinger area beginning in 1741 when a Dutchman and his son settled here and constructed the first stone house in the village and the first mills along the Wappinger Creek. Discover the story of Peter Mesier, a loyalist, his store and the Wappinger Tea Party. Explore the Victorian era rooms and antique furniture on display

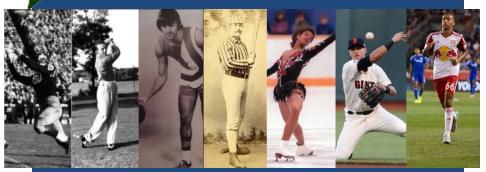
The Mesier Homestead is open either the 3rd or 2nd Sunday of every month year round from 1pm-4pm. The Gift Shop is open featuring souvenirs from our area.

www.wappingershistoricalsociety.org | Mesier Park 2 Spring Street, Village of Wappingers Falls



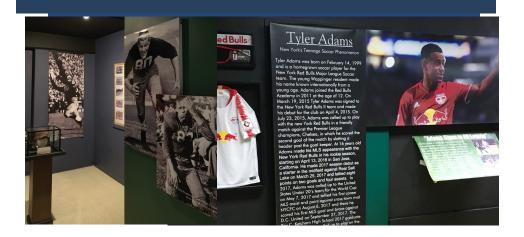
Sports Museum of Dutchess County

Preserving the Legends of Dutchess



A newly renovated museum highlighting over a dozen different athletes from Dutchess County who made it to the professional level. We are proud to showcase why, Legends Are Born In Dutchess!

www.sportsmuseumofdcny.org | @SportsMuseumDCNY Reese Cultural Center @ Carnwath Farms Historic Site & Park





At Randolph School, our students play in the mud, looking for worms to observe and to ask questions about. They dive deeply into books, snuggled quietly in a reading nook filled with pillows. They sing songs together about social justice, and then write long letters to their community requesting donations for the local food bank. Our kids learn about fractions and ratios while concocting a tradition Native American stew they learned about from their month long study of the people who have lived in the Hudson valley.

At Randolph School, we spend big chunks of our day outdoors, not at recess but rather in our "outdoor class-room" in which opportunities to explore, inquire, experiment, collaborate, create, imagine and interact are abundant.

845-297-5600 | randolphschool.org 2467 Route 9D - Wappinger, NY 12590

Carnwath Farms Historic Site & Park



Carnwath Farms Historic Site & Park is on the rise. The Town of Wappinger is committed to revitalizing this diamond in the rough to become the true "Gem of the Hudson River Valley". A majestic Victorian era estate turned public park, Carnwath Farms Historic Site & Park will be the center of arts, culture, history, and leisure for Wappinger. Sitting high above the Hudson River, Carnwath Farms HSP consists of 99.7 acres of protected parkland, the pre-restoration 1850 Italianate-style Carnwath Manor, an 1873 French-style Carriage House, the Reese Cultural Center, the Sports Museum of Dutchess County, a 1927 colonial cottage, and a three mile trail network with breathtaking views of the surrounding countryside. Carnwath Farms HSP & the Reese Cultural Center will be the area's premier location for the arts, culture, and antiquities. A walk through this park, will leave you impressed with magnificent breathtaking sweeping views of the Hudson River and her surrounding valley.





Open since 1887.

The community library with the 21st century touch.



The mission of the Grinnell Public Library is to provide free access to a variety of informational materials, library services, and programs using its resources and those of the Mid-Hudson Library System, to meet the educational, cultural, and recreational needs of the community.

2642 East Main Street Wappingers Falls | 845-297-3428

http://grinnell-library.org/





Chelsea Yacht Club, with its expansive waterfront vistas, is proud to call the Hudson its home. Located on the east bank of the Hudson River, 2.2 nautical miles north of the Newburgh-Beacon Bridge, CYC is a vibrant club with over 200 members. We encourage you to learn more about CYC!

Front Street, Chelsea, NY 12512 | (845) 831-7245

New Hamburg Yacht Club was incorporated on December 20th 1869 and is considered the 6th oldest yacht club in the United States! Today our docks boast 87 boats and many social activities and parties take place on a continual basis throughout the year The club has evolved into a recreational boaters club that has many ties to the community.

5 Water Street, New Hamburg NY

845-298-1707





The Wappingers Falls Business & Professional Association is a collective of business people from the Village of Wappingers Falls and Town of Wappinger. We strive for a stronger business culture and community awareness, all while we grow together. We are the voice for business in the greater Wappinger area and we seek to create, advocate and promote a business friendly environment that allows for the expansion and retention of local business.

So just how does Membership in the WFBPA benefit your business? Here are a few examples of how we put our voice into action.

Sponsoring Events that Showcase our Village & Town Businesses

Quarterly Luncheons to Network & Promote Business

Complimentary Ribbon Cuttings

Beautification Projects such as "Cleansweep" and Planters

Village Banner Program

Christmas Lights

Partnering with local Government to further Economic Development

Helping to Resolve Planning & Zoning Issues

Social Media Outreach

www.wfbpa.org

Like us on Facebook!

Farm Fresh in the Hudson Valley



True to Our Roots

The farms and farm stands in Wappinger are committed to bringing nothing but the freshest produce to our residents. We are fortunate to be the home to many ancestral homesteads, whose owners continue to carry on the family business and cultivate the land.





Promoting a healthy lifestyle





Meadowbrook Farms - Old Myers Corners Road, Wappinger

Obercreek Farm Stand—81 New Hambura Road, Wappinger

Mushroom Café @ CoSM-49 Deer Hill Road, Wappinger

Farm Stores Drive Thru Produce—Cor. Imperial Blvd and New Hackensack Road

Smoothie Kina—1571 Route 9, Wappinger

Veggie Go-Go— 1289 Route 9, Wappinger

Adams Fareacre Farms —160 Old Post Road, Wappinger

Yoga with Liz at Carnwath Farms Historic Site & Park—81 Carnwath Farms Ln.



local. fresh. delicious.

The dining scene in Wappinger is definitely hot! We are proud to boast that some of Dutchess County's top chefs and entrepreneurs that have opened their doors here in town. Scattered along the Town's Route 9 corridor, one can find local eateries spanning cultures and stimulating your taste buds. Farm to table style dining is growing in the Hudson River Valley, and the Wappinger is fortunate enough that much of the fresh produce served in both restaurants and in stores come from farms in and around Wappinger.





The Wappingers Falls Downtown Historic District is the place to be to take a night out! Breweries and wine bars have become attractions in and of themselves, most establishments hosting live entertainment on weekends. We encourage our residents and visitors to experience where their food comes from and visit one of our farm stands in town.

Visit <u>DutchessTourism.com</u> for a complete list of our Town's dining opportunities.

American Cuisine

Farm To Table Bistro —1083 Route 9, Wappinger 845-297-1111

Falls Diner—235 Myers Corners Road, Wappinger 845-297-9600

Dutchess BBQ—1820 Route 376, Wappinger, NY 845-849-1774

Handshakes Bar & Grill — 337 Route 82, Wappinger 845-896-1342

Heritage Food + Drink —1379 Route 9, Wappinger 845-298-1555

Hudson's Ribs & Fish — 1099 Route 9, Wappinger 845-297-5002

Odyssey Diner—1515 Route 9, Wappinger 845-297-0812

Paula's Runway Café—263 New Hackensack Rd, 845-240-1940

21 Burgers & Wings—2026 Route 9D, Wappinger 845-440-8784

Alley Kat—1677 Route 9, Wappingers Falls 845-218-9400

AJ Café —2557 South Avenue, Wappingers Falls 845-632-1631

County Fare —2652 E. Main Street, Wappingers Falls

Double O Grill —1536 Route 9, Wappingers Falls 845-297-7625

Italian Cuisine

AMA Wood Fired Pizza—1083 Route 9, Wappinger 845-297-2300

Aroma Osteria—114 Old Post Road, Wappinger 845-298-6790

Bella Italia Restaurant—1506 Route 9, Wappingers Falls 845-297-5000

Gino's—1671 Route 9, Wappingers Falls 845-297-8061

Joe Cristiano's Pizza—1289 Route 9, Wappinger 845-632-6094

Giovanni's Pizza—1315 Route 9, Wappinger 845-632-6988

Longobardi Restaurant—1574 Route 9, 845-297-1498

Mamma Musetti's—2649 E. Main Street 845-297-9365

Nonna's Pizzeria—1582 Route 9, Wappingers Falls 845-632-2283

Portofino Pizza & Pasta—235 Myers Corners Rd, 845-218-9555

Sinapi's Pizza—1820 Route 376, Wappinger 845-214-0996

Asian Cuisine

Chen Young Buffet—1488 Route 9, Wappinger 845-297-5434

Tamarind Indian Restaurant— 1659 Route 9 Wappingers Falls

First Wok—1582 Route 9, Wappingers Falls 845-297-1252

Jade Palace—1659 Route 9, Wappingers Falls 845-297-1188

Palace Dumplings— 1671 Route 9, Wappingers Falls 845-298-8886

Saigon Pho—1582 Route 9, Wappingers Falls 845-765-2100

Tung Ying—2646 E. Main Street, Wappingers Falls 845-298-2936

Latin Cuisine

Café Con Leche—32 Market Street, Wappingers Falls 845-632-1535 La Catrina—1820 Route 376, Wappinger 845-867-4610

Los Hornitos Bakery—1571 Route 9, Wappingers Falls 845-298-8683

Mexicali Blue—1571 Route 9, Wappingers Falls 845-298-8226

Greek Cuisine

Tony Gyro and Grill—1582 Route 9, Wappingers Falls 845-296-0101

Vegan Cuisine & Cafés

Mushroom Café—46 Deer Hill Road, Wappinger 845-297-2323

Veggie Go-Go—1289 Route 9, Wappinger 845-218-9861
Wine Bar and Brewery

DiVine Wine Bar—1 Market Street, Wappingers Falls

Obercreek Brewing Company— 59 Marlorville Rd, Wappinger

Farm Market

Meadowbrook Farm—29 Old Myers Corners Rd, Wappinger
Obercreek Farmstand—81 New Hamburg Rd, Wappinger

Deli

Bagel World—1659 Route 9, Wappingers Falls 845-632-6764

Chubby's—28 Market Street, Wappingers Falls 845-632-3587

Daniel's Deli—2554 South Avenue, Wappingers Falls 845-298-2726

In and Out Deli—91 New Hackensack Rd, Wappinger 845-297-6479

Nino's Deli & Catering—150 Old Hopewell Rd, Wappinger 845-297-0101

Osborne Deli—117 Osborne Hill, Wappinger, NY 845-896-3354

Roma Deli—237 Myers Corners Rd, Wappinger 845-297-1200

Robbie's Too Deli—8 Chelsea Ridge Mall, Wappinger 845-831-0708

Pizza Cont.

Patsy's Pizzeria— 2657 E Main Street Wappingers Falls, NY 845-298-6093

Giacomo's Pizza—1571 Route 9, Wappingers Falls 845-297-5557

Pacini's Pizza—2554 South Ave, Wappingers Falls 845-849-0707

Wagon Wheel Pizza—2654 E. Main Street, Wappingers Falls 845-297-5940

Desserts

Sweetbakes Café—2689 W. Main St. Wappingers Falls 845-632-1900

Village Creamery—14 Mill Street, Wappingers Falls 845-632-2218

Dairy Queen—1585 Route 9, Wappingers Falls 845-297-2000

Chain Restaurants

Dunkin—1491 Route 9, 1582 Route 9, 241 Myers Corners Rd., 2036 Route 9D

McDonald's—1178 Route 9, Wappingers Falls 845-297-2810

Outback Steakhouse—1510 Route 9, Wappinger 845-298-6753

Perkins Restaurant & Bakery—1576 Route 9, Wappingers Falls 296-1575

Planet Wings—1546 Route 9, Wappingers Falls 845-298-9464

Wendy's—1601 Route 9, Wappingers Falls **845-298-0167 Starbucks—** 1557 U.S. 9, Wappingers Falls **845-260-2663**











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Town Departments

OFFICE OF THE ASSESSOR

The Wappinger Assessor's Office has many functions, one of which is to administer the exemptions that are available within the town. The main exemptions available are The STAR Exemption, Veterans Exemption, Disabled Persons Exemption and Senior Citizens Exemption. All exemptions must be filed with the Assessor's Office on or before March 1st of each year. Most exemptions require supporting documentation to be filed with the application.

Grievance Day in The Town of Wappinger will be held on May 27th, 2021.

The 2020 Assessment Roll will be issued on May $\mathbf{1}^{st}$, 2021. Residents may meet informally with the assessor after May $\mathbf{1}^{st}$ and before Grievance Day to discuss assessed values. Please call the office to determine what days the assessor will be available.

The Assessor's Office staff are available to any answer any of your questions between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Feel free to come in or call and a list of links to exemption and grievance forms are available on the Town website for your convenience.

Christian Harkins—Wappinger Town Assessor | 845-297-8275

OFFICE OF CODE ENFORCEMENT

This Department consists of **Building, Fire, Zoning, and Planning** activities. We work with both residential and commercial properties. Our job is to provide safety and compliance with the NYS Building Codes and local Town Code. Before you start a project at your residence or business, buy a shed, pool or hot tub, please give us a call or check out our department on the Town website to see what is required. We will be happy to explain whether you need a permit, and if so, which one and what will be required. If you are considering selling your home, please make sure that all your upgrades have a Certificate of Compliance or Certificate of Occupancy. This will help as you get ready to go to your closing. If you are not sure what we have on file, please make an appointment to come in and review your file. If you are buying a house in the Town you may also come in to review the parcel history by filling out a FOIL. For new businesses, you will need a change of occupancy permit and our staff will gladly help you. You can call our office at **845-297-6256.**

Barbara Roberti—Director of Strategic Planning & Municipal Codes

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

The Department is responsible for the maintenance of Town-owned buildings and properties. Buildings include: Wappinger Town Hall and the adjacent Emergency Services Building as well as the buildings on site at parks such as Brexel-Schlathaus Park, Carnwath Farms Historic Site & Park, Robinson Lane Baseball Complex, and Martz Field Recreation Facility. Buildings and Grounds personnel also maintain the grounds at these and nine other parks

Steve Frazier—Supervisor of Buildings & Grounds | 845-297-0720

OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER

The Comptroller's office maintains records of the Town's financial transactions and is responsible for the Town's revenues and disbursements. Examples of services provided by the finance department include cash management, annual budgeting and budget control, management of accounts receivable and accounts payable, payroll services, and debt administration. The Department is also responsible for the preparation of the annual update document required by New York State, which provides the accounting of the Town's financial transactions each calendar year. The Town's accounting records and fiscal operations are audited annually by independent Certified Public Accountants.

Fredrick Awino—Wappinger Town Comptroller | 845-297-0060

DOG CONTROL

The Town's Dog Control Officer responds to calls regarding stray and nuisance dogs. He may be reached at **845-297-1030**. In addition, you may visit the website of the Dutchess County SPCA at http://:www.dcspca.org/

Jerald Owen—Dog Control Officer

OFFICE OF HUMAN RESOURCES

Our office performs the Town's human resource management, overseeing various aspects of employment, such as compliance with labor law and employment standards, administration of employee benefits, organizing of employees files with the required documents for future reference, and some aspects of recruitment.

Sara Morris—Director of Human Resources | 845-297-4158 Ext. 144

OFFICE OF THE RECEIVER OF TAXES

The Receiver of Taxes collects property taxes in January. Bills are mailed out mid-January, and are due Feb. 28th without penalty. if paid after Feb. 28, a 2% penalty is added thru May 31st. from June 1st thru August 31st, there s a 4% penalty, plus a \$2.00 Fee added. On September 1st, all unpaid taxes are turned over to Dutchess County.

The office also collects school taxes for the Wappinger Central School District. School tax bills are mailed out mid-September. The due date which is set by the school district is specified on the tax bill. After the due date, a 2% penalty is due until the end of collection which is the first week of November. All unpaid school tax bills are turned over to Dutchess County where they may be paid until the first week of December, or the re-levy date. After that date, all unpaid amounts are carried over to the next years property tax bill with a 7% penalty.

Payments can be made in person at the Tax Office by cash or check, and by mail to Receiver of Taxes, 20 Middlebush Rd., Wappingers Falls NY 12590. Lee Anne Freno—Wappinger Receiver of Taxes | (845) 297-4342

JUSTICE COURT

The Town of Wappinger Justice Court is one of 1,300 Town and Village Courts that play a vital role in the New York State Unified Court System. These courts have broad jurisdiction and they hear both civil and criminal matters. On the civil side, the Town and Village Courts hear actions seeking monetary awards up to \$3,000 and small claims proceedings for awards up to \$3,000. We also handle landlord/tenant matters that may result in an eviction as well as a money judgment for back rent that is due. Town and Village Courts are best known for their small claims activities. Small claims proceedings are intended to provide a low-cost, simplified and informal procedure for individuals to resolve disputes involving limited monetary claims. Often individual litigants do not use an attorney in these matters and are not required to do so. On the criminal side, these courts are authorized to handle matters involving the prosecution of pre-indicted felonies, misdemeanors and violations that are committed within the town's boundaries. Court in session: Tuesdays 5:30 P.M., 1st and 3rd Thursday's 5:30 P.M., 2nd and 4th Wednesdays 5:30 P.M.

Carl Wolfson & Heather Kitchen — Town Justices | 845-297-6070

Code Enforcement

Frequently Asked Questions:

1. When is a building permit required?

A: Building Permit is generally needed when any minor or major electrical, plumbing, or structural work is done to a building. It is best to call and ask one of our trained code enforcement officers for direction.

2. Do I need to hire a licensed contractor?

A: No license requirements are needed at this time in the Town of Wappinger. Owners may do their own work with a notarized statement. All contractors must supply all appropriate insurance forms before any application will be processed.

3. How do I know if a building permit has been issued?

A: It is the responsibility of every owner to obtain a building permit for work being done. Always ask the contractor doing work to see the building permit issued from this office and post on the premises easily seen from the street. You should contact this office regarding any questions on this issue.

4. What happens if I start work without first obtaining a permit? A: You will not be able to obtain a Certificate of Occupancy or Certificate of Compliance. A Stop Work Order could be issued and fines may be imposed. Also, any work found to be at variance with applicable codes, rules and regulations will have to be corrected or removed.

5. How do I know if my permit has been closed?

A: When a permit is closed, the Code Enforcement Officer will issue a Certificate of Occupancy/Compliance. If you did not receive a Certificate of Occupancy/Compliance in the mail, you should follow up with the Building Department and check on the status of your permit. Most permits are only good for a year and once they are expired, can turn into violations on your property. Permits that are expired will have to be re-opened by submitting a new application and re-paying the permit fee.



Frequently Asked Questions

1 CALL 911 - FOR ALL EMERGENCIES

2. How do I schedule the required annual inspection for my business?

A: Contact this office for scheduling and all fees and questions

3. I'm thinking of opening up a business in the Town of Wappinger where do I start?

A: You may contact the Fire Inspector directly to ask questions about Fire Code requirements or the Zoning Administrator to set up office meetings.

4. Can I get a burning permit?

A: No burning permits are issued by the Town of Wappinger

5. Can I have a propane cooking devise if I live in an apartment building or Condominium?

A: No the NYS Fire Code prohibits open flame cooking devises in ALL multiple Family dwellings.

Director of Strategic Planning and Municipal Codes Barbara Roberti

Building Inspectors

Susan Dao - Building Inspector | Stormwater Management

Fire Inspector

J. Howard Prager

Code Enforcement Clerks

Christa Verano & Susie Hansen — (845) 297-6256

Wappinger Town Board

The Town of Wappinger is structured as a ward system with Town Council-members representing four different areas within Wappinger.

Supervisor Richard L. Thurston serves as the chief operations and financial officer of the Town of Wappinger. First elected in 2017, Supervisor Thurston has made it his mission to increase and modernize Town programs and services while staying under the tax cap.

Phone: 845-297-2744 | Email: rthurston@townofwappingerny.gov

Councilman William H. Beale represents Ward 1, which includes the Village of Wappingers Falls, northern US Route 9 corridor, Hughsonville hamlet, and Middlebush hamlet. Mr. Beale is the President of the Hughsonville Fire Company and is very active in emergency response measures throughout Dutchess County. Councilman Beale is the senior member of the Wappinger Town Board and has represented Ward 1 since 2007.

Phone: 845-249-8319 | Email: wbeale@townofwappingerny.gov

Ward 2 *Councilwoman Angela Bettina* represents the southern areas of Wappinger which consists of Chelsea hamlet, Fleetwood Manor neighborhood, Osborne Hill Road, Smithtown Road, Eck Road neighborhood, White Gate and Pavilion complexes, Swartwoutville hamlet, and the southern part of the US Route 9 corridor. Councilwoman Bettina began serving on the Town Board in 2018.

Phone: 845-204-5256 | Email: abettina@townofwappingerny.gov

Representing Ward 3 is *Councilman Christopher Phillips* who's ward includes the middle of the town including part of Myers Corners hamlet, Rockingham Farms, Quiet Acres, Wildwood, Oakwood Knolls, and Shamrock Hills neighborhoods. Councilman Phillips was appointed to the Town Board in 2019 after serving on the Town Planning Board and was elected to serve in 2020.

Phone: 845-391-6850 | Email: cphillips@townofwappingerny.gov

Councilman Al Casella oversees the northern part of Wappinger in Ward 4, which consists of New Hackensack hamlet, Myers Corners hamlet, Hudson Valley Regional Airport, Royal Ridge and Edgehill Manor neighborhoods Councilman Casella previously served as the Chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals. Councilman Casella took office on January 1, 2020 on the Town Board.

Phone: 845-803-6359 | Email: acasella@townofwappingerny.gov

OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK

Welcome to the Office of the Wappinger Town Clerk, your information center and gateway to our Town! The Town Clerk's office has long been the hub of activity for Town Government and we strive day to day to offer the best quality service to you, our great Wappinger residents. This office provides many different licenses, certificates and permits to the residents of the Town of Wappinger and has served as the official "Keeper of the Record" for the Town since 1875 and continues to be the conduit between our residents and the Town Board. Please visit the Laserfiche link on our website as it will connect you with a wealth of data about Wappinger: past, present, future. Please feel free to contact my office if I can be of any service to you!

My courteous deputies Grace Robinson and Cooper Leatherwood are always ready to assist residents in the purchase of recycle center permits, dog licensing, handicap parking permits, games of chance permits, hunting/fishing licensing, and hawkers/peddlers permits. Also as the records keeper of the Town, the Office of the Town Clerk houses all vital records and residents are able to submit or review a birth or death certificate, or get your marriage certificate.

Best wishes.

Joseph P. Paoloni Wappinger Town Clerk

845-297-5772

JPaoloni@townofwappingerny.gov GRobinson@townofwappingerny.gov CLeatherwood@townofwappingerny.gov





The Town of Wappinger is serviced by three volunteer fire companies, the New York State Police, the Dutchess County Sheriff's Office, and Town Ambulance (EmStar).

Fire

Chelsea Fire District & Company

15 Liberty St, Chelsea, NY 12512 – (845) 831-6244 | 911

Hughsonville Fire District & Company

88 Old Hopewell Rd, Wappinger – (845) 297-3735 | 911

New Hackensack Fire District & Company

217 Myers Corners Rd, Wappinger – (845) 297-3897 | 911

Ambulance Billing

EmStar – Town of Wappinger Ambulance

10 S White St, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 – (845) 621-9300 Emergency dial 911



Police

New York State Police Troop K – Wappinger

18 Middlebush Rd, Wappinger — (845) 298-0398 | 911

Dutchess County Sheriff – Wappinger Patrol

Substation – 263 New Hackensack Rd, Wappinger (845) 486-3800 Emergency dial 911

The Town of Wappinger does not have its own police department, but is served by the NYS Police and additional enforcement is preformed by the Town of Wappinger Patrol of the Dutchess County Sheriff's Office. The Village of Wappingers Falls is patrolled by these entities and the Wappingers Falls

Police Dept.



Village of Wappingers Falls

Incorporated 1871

Village Hall

2582 South Avenue, Wappingers Falls 845-297-8733

Village Police Department

2628 South Avenue, Wappingers Falls 845-297-1011

Village Clerk

845-297-8773 Ext 5

Village Code Enforcement

845-297-5277

Village Department of Public Works

845-297-9758

Village Water Department

845-297-3787

www.WappingersFallsNY.gov

Get to know the difference between Wappinger & Wappingers Falls!

Where can one find the Town of Wappingers Falls? The answer is nowhere!! It simply does not exist! Unfortunately many residents do not even know that there is a difference.

By way of background on the subject, in 1874, members of the northern half of the Town of Fishkill began discussion to erect a new town from Fishkill. Due to the size of the Town of Fishkill (which at that time included Wappinger and Fishkill), Town officials could not properly govern the municipality. It could take more than one day to travel from Fishkill Landing (City of Beacon) to the most northern areas of town such as New Hackensack. So the process was started to form a new and separate municipality to lessen the burden on the relationship between government and its residents. On May 20, 1875, the New York State Legislature officially adopted the creation of a new town by the name of "Wappinger". The Town's name sake was chosen after the Wappani or Wappinger Native Americans who once inhabited most of the east shore of the Hudson River. Also with the "great Wappinger Creek" that borders the northern portion of the Town and terminates within the town's boundaries was a reason for choosing the name. Earlier, on September 22, 1871, the two unincorporated villages of Channingville and Wappinger's Falls (previously known as Franklindale) were merged to formed the incorporated Village of Wappingers Falls. The only village in Dutchess County that is split between two towns. The Town of Wappinger and the Town of Poughkeepsie.

So given this background, there are two separate municipalities, the Town of WAPPINGER and the Village of WAPPINGERS FALLS. But still people will explain that they have a Wappingers Falls mailing address and that they live in the "Town of Wappingers Falls" or "Town of Wappingers" No such town exists or has ever existed! A little more historical information can put this into perspective. Historically, some of the several Town of Wappinger hamlets had post offices for example, Chelsea, Hughsonville, New Hackensack, Middlebush, and Wappinger's Falls. But, when President Franklin D. Roosevelt has directed the construction of the new Wappingers Falls Post Office (now the Village of Wappingers Falls Police Department), that post office's jurisdiction went out beyond the incorporated boundaries of the Village and stretched out into Wappinger, parts of East Fishkill, Fishkill, Poughkeepsie, and LaGrange. This caused, and still causes, much confusion amongst residents. What matters is the town you live in, not the post office.

To recap the multiple uses of "Wappinger" in a location include: the Town of Wappinger, Wappinger Creek, Wappinger Lake, and the Village of Wappingers Falls. So when determining where you live just remember that if you live in the much larger town it is Wappinger, and if you live in the village it is Wappingers Falls.



Dutchess County Government

www.DutchessNY.gov



Marcus J. Molinaro
Dutchess County Executive
845-486-2000



Brad Kendall County Clerk 845-486-2120



Robin Lois Comptroller 845-486-2050



William V. Grady District Attorney 845-486-2300



Butch Anderson Sheriff 845-486-3800



Donna Bolner County Legislator

845-486-2100



Joseph D. Cavaccini County Legislator

845-486-2100



Lisa Paoloni County Legislator 845-486-2100



Office for the Aging — 114 Delafield Street, Poughkeepsie 866-486-2555

Behavioral & Community Health — 85 Civic Center Plaza, Suite 106, Poughkeepsie | 845-486-3400

Mental Health Helpline — 845-485-9700

Board of Elections — 47 Cannon St., Poughkeepsie 845-486-2473

Central and Information Services (OCIS) - 503 Haight Ave Poughkeepsie | 845-486-2450

Community & Family Services (DCFS) - 60 Market St., Poughkeepsie | 845-486-3000

DMV (Department of Motor Vehicles) - 22 Market St., 1st Floor, Poughkeepsie | 845-486-2130

Emergency Response — 392 Creek Rd., Poughkeepsie Toll Free: 800-211-3536

Family Court — 50 Market St., Poughkeepsie 845-431-1850

Public Works — 626 Dutchess Turnpike, Poughkeepsie, 845-486-2085

A Message of Support and Caring

As we enter 2021, we find ourselves in very uncertain and extremely stressful times. We are besieged not just by the COVID-19 Pandemic/Crisis but also unstable economic conditions and the politicization of nearly all aspects of our lives and society.

Many of our community members have either contracted the COVID-19 disease and/or seen family members and friends either personally suffer health wise or experience the death of a loved one. To each and everyone, we feel the pain that you are suffering. In fact, the Town has lost in 2020 a number of former officials and dear friends and to all of the affected families, you have our deepest sympathies and condolences.

Mental health issues, already a serious infliction before COVID-19, are now experienced by an ever growing number of people, most especially our many unsung heroes. It is a time for us each and every one to reach out to our neighbors and friends to recognize the help that so many need in all walks of life.

We will continue to come up with meaningful programs for our young and old alike. Most specially, we are working on many more programs for our seniors than are contained in this 2021 Town Guide.

I and the Town Board are committed to continue our services the best that we can under difficult conditions. And, even more important, we will be there when our residents and businesses have a pressing need. Please feel free to stop by Town Hall or to give us a call whenever you feel the need.

For our employees, we are very sensitive to the impacts of COVID-19 on your lives and work. We want to be of support whenever you feel the need. Most important, we will remain flexible in addressing your integration of life-work obligations throughout the crisis.

Dr. Richard L. Thurston, Wappinger Town Supervisor













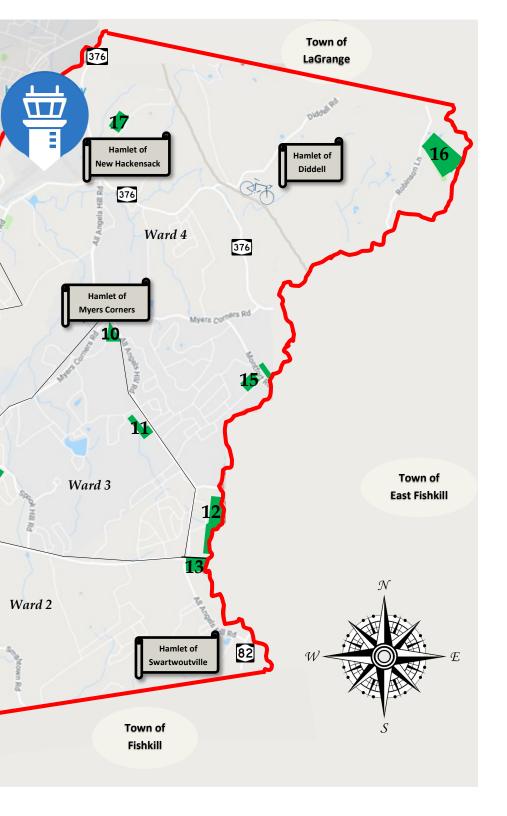


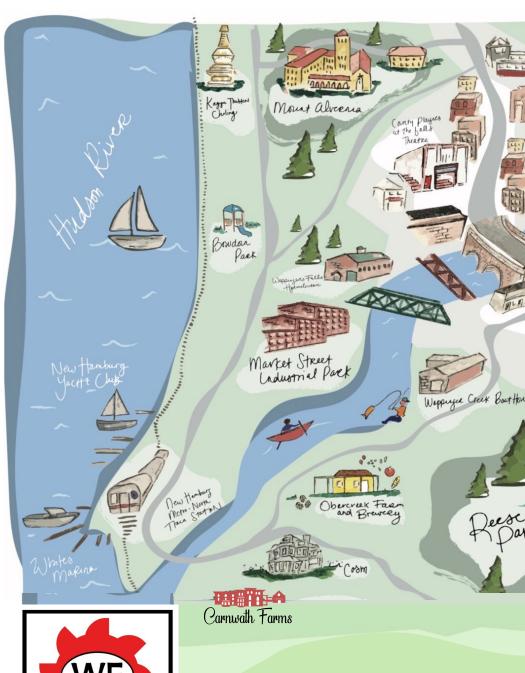
Wappinger Snapshot

- 28.5 square miles of scenic landscape, farm to table dining, premier shopping, and more!
- Home to 27,000 residents
- Made up of 8 unincorporated hamlets and 3/4 of the Village of Wappingers Falls
- Named for the Wappinger (Wappani) Native American tribe
- First settled in 1659, as an illegal settlement by members of the Massachusetts Bay Colony
- Schools: Arlington Central School District, Beacon City School District, Wappingers Central School District
- Library: Grinnell Public Library District
- Area Code: 845
- Zip Codes: 12590 Wappingers Falls,
 12512 Chelsea, 12537 Hughsonville,
 12524 Fishkill, 12533 Hopewell Junction,
 12603 Poughkeepsie









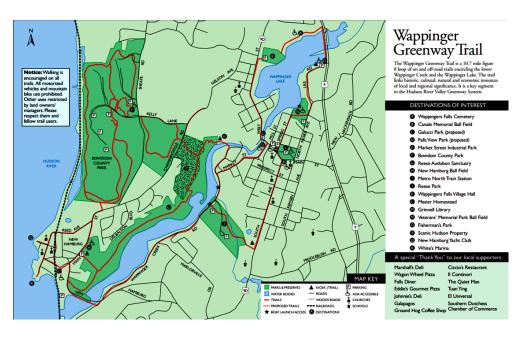


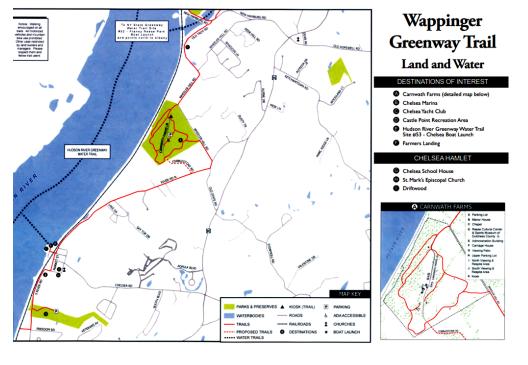
Experience



Wappinger

www.wappingersrises.com





Traverse Our Trails

Wappinger Greenway Trail Northern Tier

The northern tier of the Wappinger Greenway Trail is a 10.7-mile figure 8 loop of on and off-road trails encircling the lower Wappinger Creek and the Wappinger Lake. The trail links historic, cultural, natural and economic resources of local and regional significance. It is a key segment in the Hudson River Valley Greenway System.

Wappinger Greenway Trail Southern Tier

The southern tier of the Greenway Trail system meanders through the Town's waterfront areas of the Wheeler Hill Historic District and the Chelsea hamlet. Along the way you'll see sites such as Carnwath Farms Historic Site & Park, the Chelsea Yacht Club, Castle Point Park, access to the Hudson River Greenway Water Trail, CoSM, Farmers Landing and more!

William R. Steinhaus Dutchess Rail Trail

The Dutchess Rail Trail is a 13-mile (21 km) rail trail that stretches from the former Hopewell Junction train depot, north to the Poughkeepsie entrance of the Walkway over the Hudson. It's a shared use rail trail open for pedestrians and bicycles. The Dutchess Rail Trail forms part of the greater Empire State Trail. The Town's trailhead is located on Diddell Road off of Route 376.

Empire State Trail

The Empire State Trail link identifies the proposed route of the Empire State Trail within the Hudson Valley, including existing and proposed new trails along the Hudson River Valley Greenway. The trail segments are listed in "south to north order," starting in New York City and running north to the Capital District and west to Niagara Falls.





Wappinger ARTS

The Town of <u>Wappinger Arts and Culture Committee</u> works to assist the Town Supervisor and Town Board in promoting, encouraging, and increasing support for the Town's artistic and cultural assets as well as working to integrate arts and culture into community life. The. Committee is an advisory committee with a goal to preserve and enrich the character of the Wappinger community and celebrate its cultural heritage. As well as to broaden the role of the arts in the community to foster artistic creativity. Any resident interested in joining should contact the Town Supervisor at 845-297-2744





Wappinger Parks & Recreation

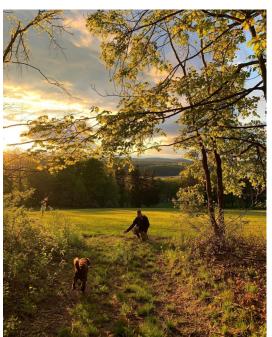
Dear friends,

Your Parks & Recreation Department and Committee are here for you! Based at Wappinger Town Hall, we offer sports programs such as tennis, fishing, basketball, gymnastics, aerobics and soccer. Our programs cover all age groups. There is something for everyone! We also host special ceremonies, including Memorial Day and Veterans Day. Brexel-Schlathaus Park is where you'll find events such as Trunk or Treat, Christmas tree lighting and our summer concert series. Martz Field is home to the Egg Hunt and summer camp. Our Community Day keeps getting bigger and better every year! We are

always looking to expand what we offer, so keep checking in to see what's new. Whether you or your kids attend one of our sports programs, come to our events, join us at our Senior Citizen Center, or enjoy a free summer concert and or movie in one of our parks, we look forward to seeing you.

Jessica Fulton Recreation Director 845-297-0720

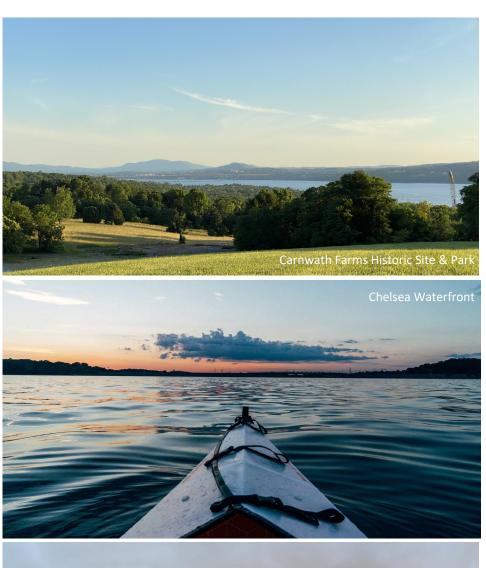














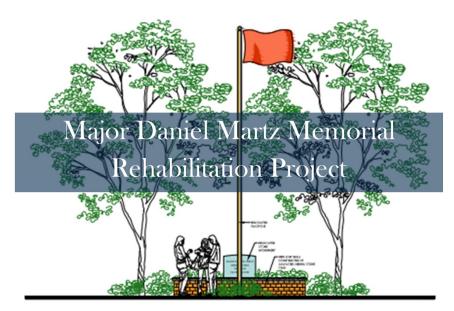
SPOOK HILL PARK REHABILITION PROJECT



An all inclusive, healthy lifestyle oriented park is coming to Spook Hill! The Town of Wappinger is committed to rehabilitating this park to offer new playground equipment, outdoor exercise equipment, a jogging track, new basketball courts, improved parking, renovated bathhouse, picnic areas, and much more!

For more information about this exciting project please email spookhillpark@gmail.com



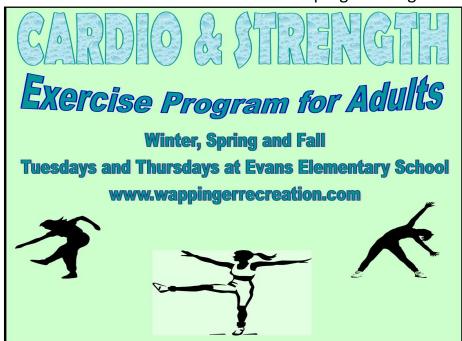


Wappinger Town Board Approves Rehabilitation Project of the Major Daniel Martz Memorial at Martz Field Recreation Facility

During the Monday, June 23, 2020 Regular Meeting of the Wappinger Town Board, the Town Board unanimously approved a rehabilitation project for the Major Daniel Martz Memorial located at Martz Field Recreation Facility. The project will include relocating the monument to the pedestrian entrance to the park on Pye Lane near the Tennis Courts. A new flag pole will be erected with a new plaza with individual pavers surrounding the memorial.

Major Daniel Martz was the first Dutchess County resident to die during the Vietnam War. Major Martz lived in the Oakwood Knolls neighborhood within the Town of Wappinger and the Wappinger Town Board sequentially named the "new recreation area at Pye Lane and Montfort Road" in his memory.

The Town of Wappinger is committed to enhancing our quality of life here within our town, improving our parks, and assisting our veterans. For more information on more programming



Fall and Winter - Monday nights Sheafe Road Elementary School www.wappingerrecreation.com



and services visit wappingerrecreation.com

GYMNASTICS



Saturday mornings, March - May Oak Grove Elementary School www.wappingerrecreation.com



For more information on more programming





and services visit wappingerrecreation.com



Saturday

April 24

Meet at Wappinger Town Hall at 10:00am



Monday, May 31, 2021 | 2:00pm

Brexel—Schlathaus Park

For more information on more programming



DATE TO BE DETERMINED!

Stay Tuned for Exciting NEW Updates!

Parade, vanders, draworks
and entertainment Info/RSVP-Recreation Depts 297-0720
WappingerRecreation.com



Movies In The Parks

Saturday, August 14 at dusk
Saturday, August 21 at dusk
Saturday, August 28 at dusk
Saturday, September 11 at dusk
Saturday, September 18 at dusk
Saturday, September 25 at dusk

Saturday, October 2 at dusk

Movie Title,
to be
announced
,oon!





Bring a blanket or lawn chair and groove the summer away - don't forget your dancing shoes! Take advantage of these free concerts in the park Thursdays at 7:00 p.m., Schlathaus Park @ Myers Corners & All Angels Hill roads. Relax and unwind under the stars at these mid-week mini-vacations.

Thursday, July 8

Thursday, July 15

Thursday, July 22

Thursday, July 29

Thursday, August 5

Thursday, August 12



Thursday, August 19—RAINDATE





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Registration Open Now For Residents!

Non-Residents Can Register After May 3rd

Full Details At

www.wappingerrecreation.com



June 28— August 13



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For more information on more programming



HALLOWEEN COSTUME CONTEST AND TRUNK OR TREAT!

SAT, OCT. 30 1:00—3:00 PM - SCHLATHAUS PARK (RAIN DATE SUN, OCT. 25)

(RAIN DATE JUN, OCT. 25)

COSTUME PRIZES FOR AGES: 0-3, 4-6, 7-9, 10-13 YEARS

GUTEST funniest SCARIEST MOST ORIGINAL Best Family Costume

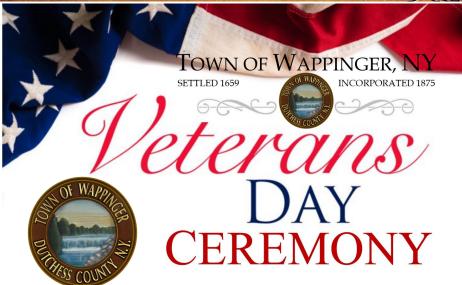
Decorate your trunk & hand out

TRENTS to the kids. Best

decorated trunk wins a prizell

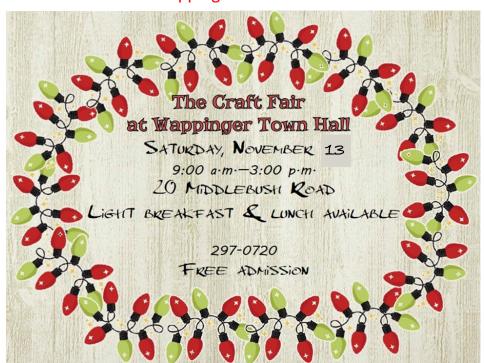
MUST REGISTER: 297-0720.





November 11, 2021 Wappinger Town Hall

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For almost 70 years, the Town of Wappinger
Little League has been offering a safe,
educational, and most of all FUN environment for
the children of Wappinger to play baseball and
softball!

www.leaguelineup.com/welcome.asp?url=towll

William "Big Guy" Farrell Memorial Fields at Robinson Lane Baseball Complex





Wappinger United Soccer Club, Inc., a member of the East Hudson Youth Soccer League, US Club Soccer, and SAY Soccer, is a not for profit organization with an enrollment of approximately 600 players. Our purpose is to promote and foster youth soccer in our community.

www.wusc.org | Airport Park & Rockingham Park

The recreational soccer program year runs from September through June. When a child is registered at the start of the program in September, he/ she is registered for the full year -- fall and spring seasons. WUSC does re-open its registration again for the spring season, but that is subject to availability. Age groups that are already at max capacity in the fall will not accept new players in the spring. There is no fall-only registration option.

Registration fee for the full year (fall and spring) is \$155 and registration for spring only is \$80.00 per child. Discounts for registering multiple children are available. You are responsible for a ball (age appropriate size), shin guards and cleats. Coaches will begin to contact players by 2-4 before the start dates. Fall typically starts right after Labor Day and Spring session starts mid April.





Wappingers Warriors Youth Lacrosse

Open to all Students in the greater Wappinger Area

The Wappingers Warriors Youth Lacrosse Club is open to Boys and Girls in grades Pre-K thru 8. This program is designed to teach the fundamentals of lacrosse in a recreational setting. All players new and experienced are encouraged to join. The season runs in the Spring from the month of April through June.



www.wappingerswarriorslacrosse.com











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For more information on more programming





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Summary of Veterans Advisory Group Projects:

- Wappinger Veterans Memorial Highway—Resolution granted; Route 9 from Town of Poughkeepsie to Town of Fishkill, named Wappinger Veterans Memorial Highway. Legislation passed in State Assembly and State Senate. Waiting for Governor's Signature. Once signed, State DOT will choose locations, manufacture highway signs, and install same. At this time, there will be a commemoration, possibly at the north end of the Wappinger Route 9.
- Renovate Major Daniel Martz Memorial on Pye Lane, at Martz Field. Remodeled within last 5 years, approximately. Pavers and steps were in disarray, and memorial largely unnoticed. Idea was to rebuild the site, moving it down to the entrance to the park, 60 yards east on Pye Lane. The monument will be set on an angle with respect to Pye Lane as well as the entry walkway, being visible from both directions.
- Veterans Graves Recognition—All the cemeteries within the town of Wappinger have had the veterans listed, according to cemetery name. At one of the town's major celebrations, these names will be read from the lists, and the names will be recognized for the sacrifices the veterans made for their country.
- Memorial Pavers—These can be seen on the eastern side of the Brexel-Schlathaus monument. There are 93 memorial bricks there. The idea is to complete the other three sides of the monument, having as many memorial bricks installed there as possible.
- HomeTown Heroes Banners—similar to Town of Poughkeepsie and East Fishkill. Banners n mounting hardware may be purchased from Rileigh's Outdoor Décor in Bethlehem, PA. Using designated (by CHG&E) utility poles, banners will be purchased by residents and mounted by the Town Highway Dept. Whoever qualifies as a hero may have a banner installed. The cost per banner is expected



Your Senior Center has a lot to offer residents age 55 and up: guest speakers on Tuesdays, crafts or movies on Thursdays, exercise, osteo, yoga or T'ai Chi Chih classes.



There are bus trips, parties, games, luncheons and art classes.

Join the Bridge Club, Knit & Crochet Club, Semper Fi Quilting Club or Photography Club.

With so many choices, there really is something for everyone. So, whether you get here now and then or become one of our 'regulars', make use of this resource and join us!

Open Mon-Fri 8:30am - 4:00pm Annual dues: \$25.00. No car? No problem! We're on the county's Dial-a-Ride route!



and services visit wappingerrecreation.com



We welcome all of our senior residents to stop on by our center!



Mini-Free Food Pantry for residents at Wappinger Town Hall



The Town of Wappinger is very excited to offer a mini food pantry for our residents who are in need at Wappinger Town Hall.

Supervisor Richard L. Thurston, County Legislator Joseph D.

Cavaccini, and the rest of Wappinger Town Government are proud to partner with a local organization, Fareground, Inc.

The "mini food pantry" boasts an array of non perishable foods and is located near the entrance to the Wappinger Town Senior Center, allowing for our seniors to access food as well.



HOW TO SPOT A SCAM

Don't become a victim.

In one of the most common scams, a caller may:



Pretend to be from your utility. (Your caller ID may even display your utility's name.)

Threaten to turn off power, water or natural gas service to your home or business within an hour.





Demand immediate payment – often by prepaid debit card. Suspect a scammer? Here's what to do if the call seems suspicious:

- 1 Hang up.
- Call your utility provider at the phone number on your bill.
- 3 Call the police.



DO NOT pay over the phone if immediate payment is demanded to avoid a disconnection.

DON'T FALL FOR THE CALL!

284 South Ave, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

(845) 452-2700

www.cenhud.com





The Hudson Valley Regional Airport, 15 minutes north of Manhattan via helicopter, in Wappinger, provides corporate and general aviation transportation services.

The Airport continues its excellence in facility care and upkeep through innovation, application of available technology, and benchmarking industry leadership.

Flight services at the Hudson Valley Regional Airport are provided by FlightLevel Aviation. 845-463-6000—263 New Hackensack Road, Wappinger, NY 12590



Getting Around Wappinger Town



Take Metro North's Hudson Line to or from New Hamburg Station to provide for the greatest access to New York City and other surrounding stations along the Hudson River. - New Hamburg Station is located on Main Street in the New Hamburg Hamlet in the

Poughkeepsie Town, just outside Wappinger.



Dutchess County Public Transit buses operate within the Town of Wappinger daily. Route A runs from Poughkeepsie through Wappinger to Fishkill via US Route 9. Route B travels from Poughkeepsie to Beacon via NYS Route 9D. Rail Link bus routes depart from New Hamburg Station Monday—Friday. Schedules can be found on dutchessny.gov



Wappinger is just a 15 minute helicopter ride from Midtown Manhattan to Hudson Valley Regional Airport here in Wappinger.





The Town of Wappinger and the Village of Wappingers Falls are committed to being pedestrian friendly communities. Within the Village and Town hamlet and commercial centers sidewalks are available for use to safely get around town. The Town and the Village are both connected by the Wappinger Greenway Trail System which offers a trip to scenic, and cultural Wappinger. Bike lanes also exist along US Route 9.



Permit Fees

\$50.00 **Annual Permit:** Limited to two cars per family

\$30.00 Annual Permit - Senior Discount:

For residents 60 yrs+, limited to two cars per family

\$15.00 **Single Axle Trailer:** Additional Fee

\$25.00 **Double Axle Trailer:** Additional Fee

\$15.00 **Single Use Permit:** One time use pass to the Center. NOT for full day

\$4.00 bag **Residential Garbage:** Annual permit required. Charge is per bag

\$2.00 bag **Residential Garbage - Senior:** Annual permit required. Charge is per bag

Proofs of Residency

6 points plus vehicle registration required.

Drivers License - 6

Voter Registration Card - 6

Town Tax Bill - 3

Utility Bill - 3

W2 - 3

Govt. Mail - 1

Bank Records - 1

Supermarket Card w/ address - 1

Permits are available at the Town Clerk's Office

Garbage tickets can be purchased by mail as well by annual permit holders. The price is \$10/book of 5 for seniors and \$20/book of 5 for all other residents.

Some ideas when recycling



Glass– Jars and bottles of any size and color



Metal– Aluminum cans & foil, metal cans/jar lids, empty aerosol cans

Plastic– Food/beverage containers, empty cleaning containers, juice cartons



Paper– All non glossy print paper, cardboard, cartons, mail/envelopes

cycle Center

WHAT WE ACCEPT

Wood doors

Sheets of paneling

2'4's

Wood pallet

Countertops

Wood decking

Swing set

Automotive batteries

Carpeting (and padding)

Wheelbarrow

Furniture

Solar pool covers

Oil tanks (sludge free)

Lawnmower

Wood window

Hot tub (cut up)

Storm window

Propane tank

Storm door

Mattresses / box spring

Sliding glass door

Garage door

Folding attic stairs

Grills

Riding mowers

Porcelain toilet

Stvrofoam

Stove

Ceramic tile

Hot water tank

Washer / Drver

Bottles

Oven

Newspaper (non glossy)

Tires (on / off rim)

Corrugated cardboard

Tin / aluminum can

Leaves / Tree Limb

Fence

Plywood

Plastic

* All Freon items

(refrigerator) can

be accepted with

the purchase of a

\$15.00 sticker

available at the

Town Clerk's Office

WHAT WE DO NOT ACCEPT

Chemicals

Hazardous waste

Driveway sealer

Masonry

Paint

Insulation

Sheetrock

Cement block

Shingles

Liquids of any kind

Tar paper

ALL

Bricks

ELECTRONICS

Treated lumber

Construction

material

Firewood

Hazardous Waste Management

Dutchess County Resource Recovery 845-463-6020

Hours of Operation

Wednesdays & Saturdays 9am -12pm

(Weather permitting)

For the use of **Town of Wappinger Residents**

10 Highway Drive off Sgt. Palmateer Way

Wappingers Falls, NY 12590



Town of Wappinger Highway Department
Superintendent of Highways
Michael Sheehan

845-297-9451 msheehan@townofwappingerny.gov

Town of Wappinger Highway Department

Dear Neighbors,

Your Wappinger Town Highway Department is responsible for maintaining approximately one hundred miles of Town road! Our services include roadside stormwater and drainage repairs, snow plowing, sanding/salting of the roads, asphalt patching and paving, street sweeping and roadside tree maintenance. The Highway Garage provides on-site maintenance, repairs and storage of vehicles and equipment in support of the Department's extensive responsibilities.

During the summer our road crews are constantly working on the roads in your neighborhood. We may experience heavy downpours and in order to allow proper drainage, please keep all debris including garbage, grass, twigs, and leaves from our storm drains. At no time should anyone be piling yard debris on or near a storm drain. Please be aware that the equipment our crews are using are large, noisy and at times may have an obstructed view. Please respect them by slowing down, observing the flag person and being patient and giving them as much room to work as possible.

Clearing snow from one hundred miles of Town roadways is no easy task. The crew needs your assistance to help us to do the best snow removal job as possible. When snow is predicted, move your cars off the street. Shovel snow to the right of the driveway apron (as you face the street) so plows do not push the snow back in front of your driveway. If you have a fire hydrant in front of your home, we ask that you remove the snow to allow access for our Fire Companies.

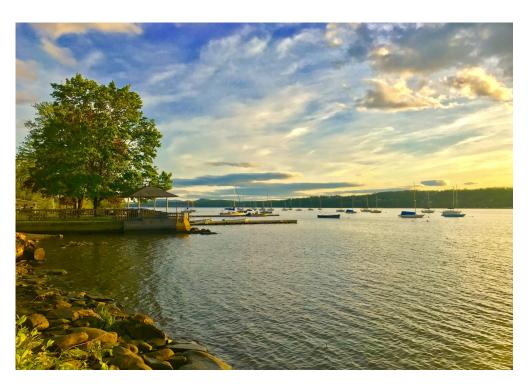
Our mission is to provide safe, courteous, dependable and economical service to you, the people of Wappinger. Please feel free to contact our office at 845-297-9451 or, stop by my office!

Superintendent of Highways

Michael Sheehan

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