

# TOWN TALK



## Issue 88

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## TOWN OF BINGHAMTON

279 Park Avenue, Binghamton, NY 13903

# April 2018



## Tim Whitesell, Town of Binghamton Supervisor

E-mail: [Supervisor@TownofBinghamton.com](mailto:Supervisor@TownofBinghamton.com)

As I began writing this article, I found myself reminiscing over the last year. I was immediately reminded of the monster Nor'easter that hit us in March of 2017. Fast forward to March of this year, and we had THREE Nor'easters in three weeks! I'm not sure which was the worst to bear! And do you remember what February was like? Spring seemed to be in the air with the robins arriving and the sound of flocks of geese soaring high in the sky, honking loudly as they ventured north. My all-time favorite is hearing the woodpeckers pounding away on the poles at Jackson Park. There's nothing like the feel of spring in the air, but it certainly reversed course since March 20th when spring officially arrived! I'm hoping the weather will be a bit more cooperative sometime soon!

I do have a lot of news to share in this edition; some good and some hard to take. I'm sure you'll understand as I continue on, so let's get into it!

**Audit for Town of Binghamton** - In 2012, our town was audited by the New York State Comptroller's Office for the first time since 1998. Minor deficiencies were noted, and we corrected the concerns that were brought to our attention. The Comptroller's Office had returned to conduct another audit this year and were concentrating on the Town's fiscal years 2016 and 2017. They also reviewed the Town's practices as recommended from their previous audit. I am confident our Town will be found to have sound fiscal management and that all previous concerns have been addressed with satisfaction.

**Tire Drop-Off Days Have Returned!** - Several years ago, the Town held annual "Tire Drop-Off" days at which time old tires were accepted by the Broome County Landfill at no cost. While "municipal days" continued throughout the last several years, tires were no longer accepted. We are pleased to inform our residents that Broome County will once again accept tires as part of their annual "municipal days" this year. We have set June 6th, 7th, and 8th as our drop-off dates **for Town of Binghamton residents only**. The location will be at the former Town of Binghamton landfill site located on Hance Road, 1.9 miles south of Hawleyton Rd. (Watch for the gate and boulder.) You'll need to provide proof of residency. We are also limiting the drop-off to six tires. Please turn to page 5 for all of the details!

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**Town of Binghamton Volunteer Fire Co. Recruitment Day** - The Town of Binghamton Volunteer Fire Company will be hosting a recruitment day on Saturday, April 28, 2018, from noon until 3 p.m. at the Hawleyton Fire Station located on Hawleyton Road. They will be joined by the Red Cross, which will be registering people for the installation of three FREE smoke alarms. The Town of Binghamton has also received very generous donations of carbon monoxide detectors from Home Depot and Lowes, which will also be available at the Open House. *We have a limited supply of these so it's on a first come/first served basis to Town of Binghamton residents only.* A huge THANK YOU to Nick Pappas for all of his work on obtaining these donations. For more information on this Open House, please turn to page 7.

**Town of Binghamton Volunteer Fire Company Honors Two 50-Year Members** - In today's world, it is difficult to find men and women who are willing to sacrifice their time and service to be part of a local volunteer fire company. However, we in the Town of Binghamton are extremely fortunate to have two members who are celebrating 50-plus years of service to our Town! It's amazing to find commitment like this, and I'm extremely pleased to announce that the Town of Binghamton Volunteer Fire Company is honoring Thomas E. Maxian and William Snell for their many years of service to the Town of Binghamton Volunteer Fire Company.

**Thomas E. Maxian** is in his 51st year of service to the Town of Binghamton Volunteer Fire Company and to the residents of our town. Tom is a lifelong resident, and he and his wife, Margaret, reside on Maxian Road. Tom began his firefighting career in 1967 and fondly remembers driving his 1964 convertible to the fire station to join. Within the department, Tom served as Assistant Chief from 1996 to 2003, Secretary (20 years), Vice President (2 years), Safety Officer (5 years), as well as Membership Chairman. Tom and his wife, Margaret, are also members of the Town of Binghamton Neighborhood Watch program.

**William R. Snell** is completing his 50th year of service to the Town of Binghamton Volunteer Fire Company and to the residents of our town. Bill is also a lifelong resident and resides on Everline Street. Bill began his career in 1968. He has served as Assistant Chief (22 years), Secretary (2 years), Board Member (15 years), Safety Officer (10 years) and Fire Police Captain (15 years). Bill is a car enthusiast and a member of the Cruisin' Buddies Car Club.

We owe a great debt of gratitude to both of these gentlemen for the many years of service to the Town of Binghamton. Thank you so very much for your decades of service to our residents!

**Increase of Sewer Rates: Informational Meeting on May 1** - The Town Board will be holding an Informational Meeting on Tuesday, May 1 at 6:30 p.m. at the Town Hall to discuss the increase of sewer rates to municipal sewer users. The largest portion of the Town's sewer bill payment goes toward debt service owed to the Binghamton-Johnson City Joint Sewage Treatment Plant's rebuilding project. As the project continues, the amount owed continues to be passed on to the outside users (including our Town). Another contributing factor is that we have over 100 households within our water/sewer districts that use our services, but don't pay every quarter. Their unpaid bills relevy onto their taxes. This creates a lack of money to pay the bills when they are due to the Joint Sewage Treatment Plant. Realistically, we are faced with even higher costs in the very near future and have no recourse but to address the problem. We will be providing information at the meeting to explain the decision to increase the rates. This is not a popular issue, but one that certainly needs to be discussed.

**"Miss Information" Is Retiring!** - I have had the honor and privilege to serve the residents of the Town for some time. However, the most recognized face and voice of the Town of Binghamton has been Becky Smith (aka "Miss Information") who has served our Town since 1985. Becky has decided to retire from her post as of June 29<sup>th</sup>. For anyone who knows Becky, you know she has been the heart and soul of the Town Hall. She is the first one you see when you walk into the Town Hall, and she makes a great first impression with her warm and friendly smile and her willingness to help out in any way. I cannot even begin to express how much I have appreciated working with her all of these years.

Through the years, you have heard me say that the Town Hall staff is a family. "Becster" (as I have called her forever) and I are the last of the "original family" remaining from when I first took office in 1991. I truly consider her to be like my close sister and a true friend. We have laughed, cried, and shared one another's blessings and misfortunes over the last two decades. Her friendly personality and talents will never be replaced. For years, she and I have joked about the "inevitable day" when she would leave, but I really never thought that day would come. I hope "Becster" is able to enjoy herself in retirement, and I wish her all the best. But . . . even though she's retiring, she may not be leaving us completely. I have asked her to consider staying on part-time and working "behind the scenes" to continue creating **Town Talk** and to continue keeping the Town's website fresh and informative. She has graciously accepted, telling me she could not stand to leave me and Town Hall all at one time. (*Did she really say that?*) With this said, I'll let Becky finish with a few words of her own:

*Hi, everyone! I'm sure this message is coming as a shock to most of you. Honestly, it came as a shock to me, too! If you had asked me at Christmas if I'd be retiring anytime soon, I'd have said, "No. I'll probably be here for another four years!" My decision came rather quickly, however, after my recent consultation with the NYS Retirement system. As the consultant told me, "You certainly have enough years in, and you're in a great position to retire. You're in the driver's seat. You can stay where you are until you decide to leave, or you can move on to a new adventure. It's all up to you." When he said that, I started looking at things differently. The scenery hasn't changed for me in almost 33 years, and I feel like I'm ready for that new adventure!*



*With that said, I can honestly say that it makes me very sad when I think that I won't see some of you again. Many of you are the kindest people I have known and have become like family to me! I can think of several residents who purposely bring their water bills to me in person so that we can chat at my window, and together, we can find the answers to all of the world's problems! There are certain faces that immediately come to mind, and I would love to start naming names, but the list would grow long in a hurry. Let me just say that you know who you are, and I'm going to miss you! I'll always remember so many of you giving me a hug or a kind word when I was taking care of my elderly Mom, who had suffered a severe stroke and then passed away eight years later. It was tough working a full-time job and trying to care for my Mom with no siblings living locally to share the load, but it was comforting to know that so many of you cared, many of you had walked the same path, and you were there to encourage me along. I will often think of others who made little things to brighten my day. Rudy Cipolla (may God rest his soul) and his brother, Dominic, enjoyed making wooden figurines for my counter, and those figurines continue to bring a smile to my face when I set them out at the appropriate seasons. I have Easter bunnies, a snowman, a Santa, and others. Many of you have enjoyed them as well. Several of you write nice little notes and stick them in the envelope with your water/sewer payments. Even as I write this, I have two notes on my bulletin board from the last billing. Denise S. sent me a note saying, "Hi, Becky! Think Spring!" and Kathryn L. sent a sticky note that says, "Hello, Becky!" with a huge smiley face. I have shared warm hugs and even tears with you at my window. Life has been easier because of your kindness.*

*Finally, let me say that each of you has brought a lot of joy into my life, and I sincerely thank you! I would never have stayed here for so long if it weren't for the friendships I made along the way. I am absolutely filled with love, gratitude, and appreciation for the love and support you have shown me over these past 32-plus years. It truly has been a real pleasure serving you, the residents of the Town of Binghamton, and I will miss you all! I just learned that there's going to be an Open House on June 28, 2018, so please stop in to say good-bye! I'd love to see you! Oh, yes, and I'd like to end by saying...*

**The Town of Binghamton is a great place to WORK!** Thank you all! *Becky Smith "Miss Information"*



**OPEN HOUSE FOR BECKY AT TOWN HALL - THURS., JUNE 28 - NOON TO 4 P.M.**

Please stop by to celebrate with her and to recognize her service to the Town of Binghamton!



## Highway Dept./Water & Sewer Dept.

Mike Donahue, Highway Supt. - (607) 669-4323

Hours: 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.



We are finally looking forward to warmer weather!

This winter has dealt us its fair share of cold and snowy days, and we are ready to move on and start spring clean-up. This means brush and debris removal, filling in pot holes, road sweeping, and sign maintenance. As the season continues, we will move on to ditch cleaning and paving during the summer. The Water Dept. will also be replacing outdated fire hydrants throughout the town as well.

We have a few roads we'll be paving in late spring/early summer. On our list this year is West Hamton Road, Hawthorne Road, and Maria Blvd. (once NYSEG completes repairing gas services there.) Winter can wreak havoc on your driveways and pipes, so if you notice you need a new driveway pipe, the Town will **install one at no cost**, but **you will be responsible for the cost of the pipe**. Just give us a call at 669-4323 and we'll measure it out for you!

Again, just a friendly reminder . . . We do not maintain COUNTY roads. If you have any concerns or complaints about a County road, please call the Broome County Highway Dept. at 778-2228. Thanks!

## SPRING TREE BRANCH & BRUSH PICK UP - MAY 7 to MAY 29, 2018

The Town of Binghamton Highway Dept. will be picking up branches on MONDAYS & TUESDAYS ONLY beginning Monday, May 7 and ending Tuesday, May 29. **(NO PICKUPS OR CALLS AFTER MAY 29.)**

This pickup is for **TREE BRANCHES ONLY**. No cuttings from any kind of bushes. **Please call the Highway Dept. at 669-4323 to have your name placed on our list.** Due to the overwhelming response to this service, you will not be given a specific time or day when your brush will be picked up.

In addition, there are certain guidelines to be followed:

1. Tree branches from your yard only;
2. Branches must be larger than 3" in diameter;
3. Put branches neatly along the curb/roadside in front of your home;
4. Please place the large end of the branch towards the road, and leave the branches as long as possible;
5. No brush from clearing your lot;
6. No brush from contractors or landscapers; (This means if you hire someone to maintain your lawn, they need to dispose of the debris; we will not take it.)
7. Large piles must be approved.



**The following items WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED and will be left behind: tree trunks; roots of any sort; clippings from lawns, flower beds, or vegetable gardens; thorny brush and small twigs; leaves and animal waste.**



### The Water/Sewer Billing Schedule for 2018 is as follows: (these are approximate mailing dates)

November 1, 2017 (1st billing of a cycle); due in early Dec.

February 1, 2018 (2nd billing); due in early March

**May 1, 2018 (3rd billing); due in early June**

August 1, 2018 (4th billing); due in early September



**IT'S BAAACK!!!!****FREE  
TIRE DROP-OFF  
(NO TRASH!)**

**The Town of Binghamton, in conjunction with the Broome County Division of Solid Waste, will be sponsoring our "Tire Drop-Off" once again!**

**Weds., June 6 - 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

**Thurs., June 7 - 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

**Fri., June 8 - 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE!  
THE TOWN WILL HAVE ONLY  
ONE DROP OFF LOCATION. TIRES  
NEED TO BE DROPPED OFF AT  
THE OLD TOWN LANDFILL,  
LOCATED ON HANCE ROAD  
(1.9 miles south of Hawleyton Rd.)  
Watch for the gate and boulder.)**

**THERE IS A LIMIT OF SIX TIRES  
PER HOUSEHOLD AND PROOF OF  
RESIDENCY IS REQUIRED.**

**Tires with rims will be  
accepted. No tires over 17 inches.  
ABSOLUTELY NO TRUCK TIRES!**

**If you are handicapped or elderly  
and are unable to drop your tires  
off, please call 772-0357, ex. 12  
(Nick Pappas) by Friday, June 8 to  
arrange a time for pick-up. Help  
keep our town clean by properly  
disposing of unwanted tires.**

**Thank you!**

On March 15, 2018, Deputy Robert Stapleton from the Broome County Sheriff's Department updated those in attendance on local concerns and addressed questions and concerns of attendees. Some things to be aware of in the coming months are scams, home break-ins, car break-ins, door to door sales, and electric company offers for change of services.



**Medicare and Microsoft Scams** - With new Medicare cards being issued starting April 1<sup>st</sup>, scammers are busy trying to get information before social security numbers change to an alphanumeric ID number system. Your new card will come in the mail. **YOU DO NOT NEED A TEMPORARY CARD** if offered. Medicare does all information by mail. They will not call you unless YOU request a call. **SPREAD THE WORD!!** Microsoft scams try to get you to call for service to your computer. **DO NOT LET ANYONE INTO YOUR COMPUTER** unless YOU initiate the service and have confidence in the provider.

**Home break-ins** have occurred in the Conklin/Kirkwood area (some in unlocked houses). **LOCK UP** when away. **RECORD** serial numbers on any firearms and keep them locked up. Take pictures of valuables for identification if they are stolen. **LOCK YOUR CAR** when parked in the driveway. **DO NOT** store valuables in your car or leave change or phone charger (newer target) where visible.

**Door-to-door sales** - Driveway paving scams are still out there. **DO NOT** accept a service from someone you have not checked out and contracted. Be cautious of young people going door to door. **REMEMBER**, door-to-door salesmen need a **PEDLER'S LICENSE** in the Town of Binghamton.

**Utility Scammers** - Electric Company workers have specially marked vehicles and carry ID. Call NYSEG if in doubt. Do not show your electric bill or give out its numbers unless you initiate the service and are confident of legitimacy.

The Town of Binghamton Neighborhood Watch group will meet again on Thursday, June 14, 2018. Watch the Town's website for updates at [www.townofbinghamton.com](http://www.townofbinghamton.com)

THANK YOU to Deputy Stapleton for updates and advice. The discussion was extremely informative and meaningful. THANK YOU also to Town of Binghamton Supervisor Tim Whitesell for attending and approving the use of Town Hall for our meeting. Remember . . .

**BE INFORMED! BE ALERT! COMMUNICATE!**

**ACROSS THE CLERK'S COUNTER** – Vickie Conklin, Town Clerk - \*Ext. 26 (please note new extension)  
Dawn Blair, Deputy Clerk – Ext. 23

### Need a Handicap Hang Tag?

Permanent handicap hang tags are issued by the Town Clerk's Office for a three-year period. Temporary handicap hang tags are issued for a six-month period. Applications for a parking permit or license plates for persons with severe disabilities are available on the Town's website at [www.TownofBinghamton.com](http://www.TownofBinghamton.com), from our office, NYS Department of Motor Vehicles, or from your physician. Applications must be filled out in full and signed by your physician when presented at the Town Clerk's window. Signed applications for permanent hang tags from physicians need to be provided to the Town Clerk's office every six years. There is no fee for a handicap hang tag.

Unfortunately, there is some misuse of handicapped parking permits. They can be used only by the person they are issued to. If a hang tag is lost or stolen, we can easily reissue a new one. A police report must be completed on all stolen hang tags. A form is available at the Town Clerk's office to report stolen hang tags. Also, please check the expiration date on your permit and make sure your tag is current to avoid a possible ticket.



A nice feature on the Town of Binghamton's website is the ability to "**Subscribe to News.**" Whenever a news-worthy item or event is posted to the website, you have the opportunity to receive a copy of that posting into your personal e-mail as soon as it is posted. You can choose from "Urgent Alerts" (for items such as Neighborhood Watch alerts, water breaks, or items of high importance); "News and Announcements" (for items such as notices of public meetings, leaf pick-up, etc.), and you can even sign up for the *Town Talk* news-letter or minutes and agendas.

Many residents have told us that they really like this feature!

**CHECK US OUT AT ...**

[www.TownofBinghamton.com](http://www.TownofBinghamton.com)

then click on "**Subscribe to News**"

### "WHAT IS 'TAXABLE STATUS DATE'?"

**John McDonald, Assessor**

Here's just a bit of information about the tax year. The tax year, for assessment purposes, is a fiscal year that begins July 1 and runs through the following June 30. Each year the Assessor's Office establishes a new tentative tax roll on May 1 that goes into effect on July 1.

The assessment that is shown on that new July 1 tax roll reflects the status of the property on March 1, which is called "taxable status date". This becomes important information for you if you are building a new house, constructing an addition to your existing house, demolishing a building, etc.

As an example, if your home is 50% complete as of March 1, the July 1 tax roll reflects 50% of the finished value of the home. The assessment then does not change again until the following tax year, because once the July 1 tax roll becomes effective, it is frozen by law and cannot change (up or down).

If you have any questions about "taxable status date" or any other assessment issue, please contact me or Amy at (607) 772-0357, ext. 13.

**Office Hours: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays.**

**Check out the Town of Binghamton Community Center for your occasion!**



Our Community Center is located at 1905 Coleman Road and is perfect for wedding receptions, retirement parties, holiday gatherings, and business training seminars. The cost is \$300 per day rental plus \$200 refundable security deposit. To reserve the Community Center, please contact: **Missy Chapman at Town Hall - (607) 772-0357, x14**





## **TOWN OF BINGHAMTON VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY STATION ONE (HAWLEYTON ROAD) HOSTS "RECRUITMENT DAY 2018" OPEN HOUSE ON SATURDAY, APRIL 28 FROM NOON TO 3 P.M.**

Have you always wanted to be a firefighter? Saturday, April 28, 2018, has been designated as "Recruitment Day 2018" throughout New York State, and the Town of Binghamton Volunteer Fire Company will be holding an Open House in participation! Stop in and speak with one of our firefighters. See what we have to offer, fill out an application, and you're on your way!

The event will be held at Station One, located at 967 Hawleyton Road, from NOON until 3 p.m. on Saturday, April 28, 2018. Come and visit the station and meet our new Chief, Jerry Emmons, as well as our firefighters. It's an open house so you can tour the station and inspect our new engine and other apparatus.

### **RED CROSS TO DONATE FREE INSTALLATION OF UP TO THREE SMOKE DETECTORS**

We are also excited to have the Red Cross join us at this event. The Red Cross is offering **free** installation of up to three (3) smoke alarms (per household) for any residence located in the counties of Broome and Tioga. All you need to do is stop by and complete an application. Tell your friends, your neighbors, and relatives the news about the free installation of up to three (3) smoke alarms through the Red Cross.



### **HOME DEPOT & LOWES TO DONATE FREE CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS (Town of Binghamton residents only - first come / first served)**

The Fire Company will be giving away over 100 carbon monoxide detectors to honor the life of Lee Norris, a lifelong Town of Binghamton resident who passed away in January of carbon monoxide poisoning at the age of 30. (Carbon monoxide detectors will be given away to Town of Binghamton residents only.)

So why not stop in and visit your local fire station. Meet the new Chief and talk with the firefighters and sign up for the free smoke alarms. We'd love to see you there!

*Members of the Town of Binghamton Volunteer Fire Company*

## **THE MONTH OF APRIL HAS BEEN DESIGNATED "DONATE LIFE" MONTH**

In commemoration of "Donate Life" month, flags are flying at the Town Hall, Highway Dept., Community Center, and Fire Companies to promote organ and tissue donation awareness. Did you know that there are currently over 100,000 patients waiting for a life-saving organ transplant in the United States? Hundreds of thousands of people will need a tissue transplant this year. You have the power to help save and enhance lives. Organ donor registries allow people to document their decision to donate organs and/or tissues. Joining the registry ensures that a person's decision to be an organ and/or tissue donor will be honored when possible. Here are some facts about donation: On average, 17 people die every day waiting for an organ transplant; Someone is added to the National Organ Transplant waiting list every 13 minutes; One organ and tissue donor can save or enhance the lives of up to 50 people; An open casket funeral IS possible for organ and tissue donors. For additional information, please visit [www.donatelife.ny.gov](http://www.donatelife.ny.gov)





**A RABIES CLINIC will be held on Wednesday, May 23 from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Town of Binghamton Highway Garage, located at 865 Hawleyton Rd. \$5 donation per animal.**

### LAWRENCE PETERS' VFW POST 1611

David Snitchler, Commander & Service Officer

John Zurenda, Quartermaster - (607) 669-4103



We would like to thank all of our faithful attendees who came out to our breakfasts over the past six months. We look forward to serving you again in the fall! We're always looking for volunteers who would be willing to help us with the breakfasts. Please call Commander Snitchler at 761-3941.

Summer is coming, and baseball will soon be in full swing. Come out to Veterans Field at the Community Center (1905 Coleman Road) and support our kids! We veterans will be there serving food, drinks, candy, and smiles in the concession stand. We really do appreciate your support!



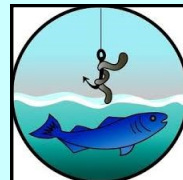
**All Vets are encouraged to join our Memorial Day parade on Monday, May 28. The parade is scheduled to begin at 10 a.m. at the Fire Station in Hawleyton. If you plan on marching, please call Jerry Emmons at 761-1218 to let him know, then meet at the Fire Station at 9:30 a.m.**



### FREE FISHING WEEKEND: June 23 & 24, 2018



"Free Fishing Weekend" is the perfect time to take the kids or grandkids to fish at the pond at Jackson Park (3317 Jackson Road) because no license is required! "Free Fishing Weekend" applies to all fresh or marine waters in New York State!



### Broome County Landfill's Spring Hazardous Waste Collection Dates

Household hazardous waste is unusable home and garden products that contain hazardous chemicals. Some examples are pesticides, fertilizers, oil-based paints and thinners, cleaners, pool and hobby chemicals. Also included are household and auto batteries, propane tanks, fluorescent bulbs, driveway sealers, paints, solvents, stains, cleaners, and old electronics, such as computers, printers, stereos, TVs, copiers, fax machines, mobile phones, etc.

**CAUTION  
HAZARDOUS  
WASTE**

*The Broome County Landfill is located at 286 Knapp Road (near the airport).  
Phone: (607) 763-4450*

**You can drop these items at the landfill for FREE on the following days from 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.:**



Sat., April 21 / Wed., May 2 / Sat., May 5

Sat., May 19 / Sat., June 2 / Wed., June 6

Sat., June 16 / Sat., June 30 / Sat., July 11



# Town of Binghamton

279 Park Avenue  
Binghamton, NY 13903

Check us out on the web at  
[www.TownofBinghamton.com](http://www.TownofBinghamton.com)

The Town of Binghamton is an equal  
opportunity employer and provider.

To file a complaint of discrimination, write:

USDA — Director  
Office of Civil Rights  
1400 Independence Ave. - SW  
Washington, DC  
20250-9410



## TOWN HALL MAIN PHONE (607) 772-0357

Telecommunication Device for the Deaf:  
1-800-662-1220 or 711

Assessor, John McDonald	Ext. 15
Assessor's Clerk, Amy Ricci	Ext. 13
Attorney for the Town, Alan Pope	Ext. 52
Bookkeeper, Sandra Reifler	Ext. 21
Bldg. Inspector/Codes, Nick Pappas	Ext. 12
Community Center, Missy Chapman	Ext. 14
Councilwoman, Elizabeth Rounds	Ext. 56
Councilwoman, Vicky Xlander	Ext. 57
Councilwoman, Nancy Yezzi	Ext. 55
Court Clerk	Ext. 19
Deputy Clerk & Dog Licensing, Dawn Blair	Ext. 23
Deputy Supervisor, Norm Cline	Ext. 54
Dog Control Officer, Nick Vascello	Ext. 22
Highway Supt., Mike Donahue	669-4323
Information Desk, Becky Smith	Ext. 10
Plan. Bd. Chair., Bill McGowan	Ext. 50
Supervisor, Tim Whitesell	Ext. 11
Tax Collector-Call B.C. Real Property	778-2124
Town Clerk, Vickie Conklin	Ext. 26
Town Engineer, John Martin	Ext. 51
Town Justice, Kristen Luce	Ext. 20
Water/Sewer Maint., Lee Cooper	669-4323
Water/Sewer Billing, Becky Smith	Ext. 10
Water/Sewer Emergencies (Nights)	774-4954
Youth Activities, Craig Kick	Ext. 48
Zoning Board Chair, Carl Letson	Ext. 49

## HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE TOWN OF BINGHAMTON

Sat., April 21	FREE Hazardous Waste Collection @ Broome County Landfill - 7:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m.
Tues., April 24	Town of Binghamton Planning Bd. Meeting @ Town Hall - 7 p.m.
Sat., April 28	Open House at TOB Vol. Fire Company Station One (Hawleyton Rd.) - Noon to 3 p.m.
Tue., May 1	Town of Binghamton Work Session @ Town Hall - 5 p.m.
Wed., May 2	FREE Hazardous Waste Collection @ Broome County Landfill - 7:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m.
May 7 to May 29	Spring Tree Branch & Brush Pick Up - Call Highway Dept. @ 669-4323 to be placed on list.
Sat., May 5	FREE Hazardous Waste Collection @ Broome County Landfill - 7:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m.
Tue., May 15	Town of Binghamton Town Board Meeting @ Town Hall - 5:30 p.m.
Sat., May 19	FREE Hazardous Waste Collection @ Broome County Landfill - 7:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m.
Wed., May 23	Rabies Clinic - 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Highway Dept., 865 Hawleyton Road. \$5 donation per animal.
Mon., May 28	Memorial Day Parade in Hawleyton at 10 a.m. / Museum will be open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Sat., June 2	FREE Hazardous Waste Collection @ Broome County Landfill - 7:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m.
Tue., June 5	Town of Binghamton Work Session @ Town Hall - 5 p.m.
June 6 to June 8	FREE Tire Drop-Off - 7:30 - 3 p.m. @ old Town Landfill on Hance Rd. (need proof of residency)
Wed., June 6	FREE Hazardous Waste Collection @ Broome County Landfill - 7:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m.
Thurs., June 14	Neighborhood Watch Meeting - 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. - Call 723-7244 for more information.
Sat., June 16	FREE Hazardous Waste Collection @ Broome County Landfill - 7:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m.
Tue., June 19	Town of Binghamton Town Board Meeting @ Town Hall - 7 p.m.
Sat./Sun. June 23/24	FREE Fishing Days in New York! No fishing license is required to fish this weekend!
Thurs., June 28	Open House for Becky Smith's Retirement Celebration @ Town Hall - NOON to 4 p.m.



The 17th Annual Town of Binghamton Easter Egg Hunt was a wonderful success! I'd like to thank all of you who joined us this year and to let you know the pictures can now be viewed at [www.tobeggghunt.com](http://www.tobeggghunt.com)

I'd also like to send a huge **THANK YOU** out to my wonderful team of helpers who assisted me in pulling off this fun-filled event! I sincerely mean it when I say that I could not have done it without you! *Jen Edwards*