



Village Crew Hours:

*[All water emergency calls should be directed to
Jesse Calia @ (607) 221-7411]*

Monday - Friday 6:00AM - 2:30PM

Make your Water, Sewer, and Tax payments
on our Website at: www.stamfordny.com

Village Hall Hours:

Monday - Friday
9:00AM - 3:00PM and by Appt. between 2-4PM
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Closed Holidays, Open Through Lunchtime
(Payments can be left in the outside drop box at anytime!)

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Summer 2024

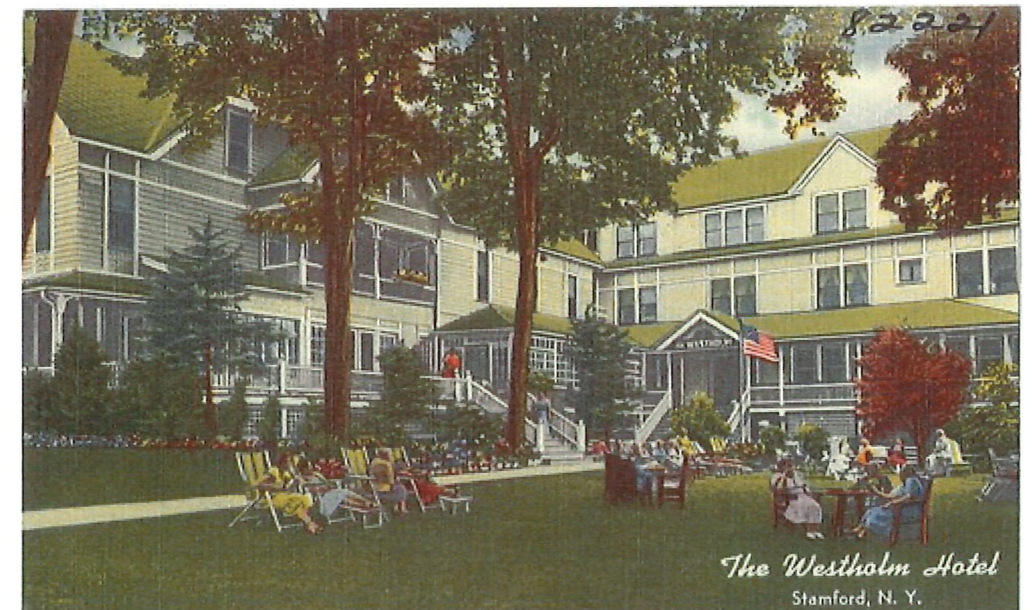
Summer in Stamford

2024 has been a productive year in the village. We bid farewell to one of the few remaining hotels from Stamford's resort era. The Westholm, later The Four Seasons, had been vacant for many years and despite the best efforts of a few individuals who tried to save it, weather and a deteriorated roof led to its partial collapse. The building became more than an eyesore and the village feared that someone entering the building could be hurt. Several attempts were made to get the owner to remove the building that involved numerous court appearances and legal maneuvering on the part of the village. The owner decided to ignore the situation and so, via a condemnation process, the village raised

the structure and the cost of that project was added to the property owners village tax bill.

As of this writing the Transportation Alternatives Project (TAP) for sidewalk replacement along Main Street has been finished. This project had to be amended a few times due to cost overruns (the original estimates for the project were developed in 2019). Most of the pavers along Main Street have been replaced with turf, or in some areas blacktop, which will make maintenance much easier.

The village pool is enjoying a busy season with campers, village residents and guests escaping the heat.



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New York Forward Grant

The village has formed a committee to apply for the New York Forward Grant. This comprehensive grant may be used for business district development, Main Street façade improvement, redevelopment including affordable housing and a myriad of other purposes.

The application has been titled ‘Stamford Rising’ and a committee of local residents and business owners have been working on the application. All are welcome to participate in this process, please call the village hall for information about meeting times if you would like to join in this important effort.



Mayor’s Message

2024 has presented several new challenges to the village. The loss to fire of two historic Main Street business blocks continues to be an issue. It was initially expected that both of the fire damaged structures would be raised by the owners using insurance funds. This, unfortunately, has not been the case and the two damaged buildings were subsequently sold to a NYC real estate speculator who has purchased several distressed village properties. As of now, no specific plans for the buildings has been presented to the village’s building department and the seriously deteriorated structures present a hazard being directly on Main Street (with part of the sidewalk permanently closed for safety reasons). The village Trustees are considering raising the two structures but no decision has been made.

Summer has brought several events to the village and these have been well attended by locals and visitors. Music in Veterans Park “High Noon Tunes” every Thursday has been very popular with attendance growing each year. Markets sponsored by The Stamford Business Alliance have drawn many people to our village as has Roxbury Arts Groups annual “Porch Fest”. Art exhibits at The Headwaters Arts Center have been well attended and local businesses have enjoyed increasing foot traffic on Main Street. August 10th will bring the annual village wide tag and yard sale with 65 vendors signed up so far. “Junk in the Trunk” will consume Rexmere Park that same day. The Stamford Rotary had a beautiful July day for their annual car show at Rexmere park.



Village Real Estate



Stamford has experienced a rise in real estate values as has the entire Catskills region. This has resulted in few village properties being for sale and has driven up the price of those that are available. While this seems from most perspectives a positive result, it has made housing too costly for some, primarily local, long term residents. The loss of ten rental units in last December’s fire has only exacerbated this situation. The cost of building materials has made new construction challenging so the outlook for development of new rental units remains unlikely. The village has worked on its infrastructure to be ready for any new development that may come our way.

Village Clerk’s Corner

All are welcome and invited to attend any and all Village of Stamford meetings!

Upcoming Village Board of Trustee Meetings:

The third Tuesday of the month at 7pm in the village hall, 82 Main Street.

Water & Sewer Bills

Please Remember that your Water and Sewer bills are considered utilities. Although we understand mail can get lost or misplaced, you are still responsible for making your payments on time, so that there will be no interruption in your water service.

Water/Sewer Billing Dates

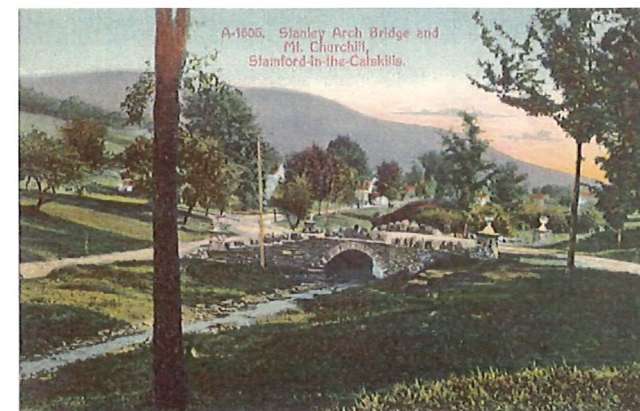
January 1 Bill	(Oct-Dec)	Due Jan 31.
April 1 Bill	(Jan-Mar)	Due April 30.
July 1 Bill	(Apr-June)	Due July 31.
October 1 Bill	(July-sept)	Due Oct 31.

All village bills may be paid on line: www.stamfordny.com

Headwaters Park

The Stamford Village Improvement Association has spearheaded the development of The Headwaters Park. This is an extension to the existing park space developed at the Headwaters of the Delaware River where it flows under Main Street at the intersection of Main, River and Harper Streets. Back in 1981. The new section of the park involves the site of the former Pete’s Budget Brands gasoline station.

The SVIA has engaged a landscape architect/ designer and various plantings, trees and shrubs have already been selected. Stone benches and gravel paths will make the new park a welcoming addition to our Main Street.. The park project has been made possible by a grant from The Robinson Broadhurst Foundation and gifts from Rinehart Fuels of Oneonta as well as generous donors to The Stamford Village Improvement Association including the Swenson and Ormiston families..



Village Tag Sale Day

August 10th will bring the village wide tag sale and “Junk in the Trunk” at Rexmere Park. This is a very popular event and participation of both vendors and shoppers has grown each year. Hundreds of eager tag sale goers flood the village beginning in the early morning hours.

The event is sponsored by The Stamford Volunteer Fire Department and managed by Mary Ellen Myers. The event illustrates the incredible spirit of volunteerism that exists in our village!



Water Sewer Letter

Please review the letter sent out to all village property owners regarding revisions to the water/sewer law.

D.P.W News

The village DPW has been maintaining the village pool, mowing and improving all village parks and other properties, repaired all streetlights on Main Street, village wide brush pick up and tree trimming. Beaver control has been challenging and several large dams have had to be removed. The village has been maintaining equipment and has acquired a new 10’ Boss V plow to improve snow removal. Test pits were dug at the River Street stone culvert to facilitate culvert replacement with a Bridge New York grant. Leaf season will be upon us soon and the crew is ready with the vacuum truck.

Jesse cilia, Village D.P.W. Supervisor