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# THE TRUSTEE REPORT



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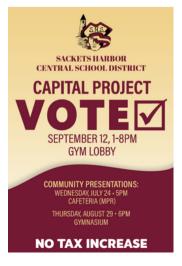
The Sackets Harbor Board of Trustees would like to invite residents to attend our monthly board meetings in person or via Zoom. Our next meeting is **Tuesday**, **September 10**, **2024**.

The Zoom link is available and posted monthly on our website. For anyone wishing to view meeting recordings, you can find them on our website also.

### What's Happening:

At our August 13th Village Board meeting Mrs. Jennifer Gaffney, Superintendent at Sackets Harbor School presented information about the school's upcoming Capital Project Vote. Sackets Harbor Central School District is proposing a \$3.5 million Capital Project, primarily funded through NYS building aid and the District's Capital Reserve Fund, with no increase in the tax levy. The vote will take place on September 12, 2024, from 1 pm to 8 pm in the Hutteman Gymnasium Lobby. The project aims to address critical infrastructure needs and enhance safety and security in the school district. Community members can learn more at the next public presentation to be held on

August 29 in the gymnasium.





### In other news...

Arcadis continues to conduct door-to-door visits in the village for lead service line inventory. Your cooperation is highly appreciated. Arcadis representatives will always be with a member of the Department of Public Works and should not come to your door alone. They are willing to show you their ID, should you ask. If you have any questions, please reach out to DPW Supervisor Lynn Martin or call the village office at (315) 646-3548.

Update on the Dog Park: Fencing is complete, and the park can be used unofficially. Please note we still need to install water - don't let your dogs overheat! These items are on the list of items for the DPW to tackle in the fall. Please clean up after your dog and use the provided poop bags to clean up after your critters!

The village is obtaining quotes for installing a new roof on the Municipal building. The roof is over 50 years old and has leaked during the most recent rain storms. If you are interested in providing a quote, please contact DPW Supervisor Lynn Martin.

The Department of Public Works has been busy this summer with storm clean-up, assisting with Can Am, painting the Pickering Beach Museum and the Visitor Center, and working on the walking trail by Mill Creek. As always, the village board would like to give a shout-out to the DPW workers who keep our village beautiful.

The Visitor's Center has had a busy summer with 922 visitors In the month of July. The Visitor's Center Is open every day but Wednesdays from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

At our most recent village board meeting, some residents in attendance inquired about the status of two zoning compliance concerns. Discussion regarding what next steps are available to the village to enforce compliance was had. It was determined that further Investigation with the Town Judge and the Village Attorney was needed and that Mayor Morgia would update us at the next board meeting If there was any new Information.

Trustee Sova informed the board of significant changes to the OSHA Fire Brigade Standard (1910.156) being proposed by the Federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA). If approved improved In its current form, the rule will impact all fire departments (volunteer, combination and paid) across New York and the County. While fire departments across our region support safety regulations, many of the NFPA's that are being proposed will be VERY costly to municipalities and volunteer Fire Departments. Local politicians are In agreement and are doing their best to get changes made to the proposed plan before It goes Into effect at the beginning of the year.

## In other news...

**New events approved:** Porch Fest will again be happening on September 7, 2024 and the Sackets Harbor Quilt Show will be held October 4, 5, and 6 on the Visitor's Center Lawn.

**Infrastructure Project Updates:** You may have noticed some barges approximately 1,200 feet offshore at the end of Ambrose Street; no, we are not being invaded. The contractor is working on the directional drill pilot bore to 30" diameter for the installation of the new water intake pipe. Depending on the weather, drilling should be complete in the next week.







#### **REMINDER:**

#### THE TOWN OF HOUNSFIELD RECYCLING CENTER

HOURS OF OPERATION
WEDNESDAY'S 7 AM – 2 PM
SATURDAY'S 7:30 AM – 11:30 AM
HOURS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

ALL RESIDENTS WILL BE REQUIRED TO SHOW PROOF OF RESIDENCY FOR THE TOWN OF HOUNSFIELD.

PROOF OF RESDIENCY ACCEPTED:

- DRIVERS LICENSE WITH TOWN ADDRESS
- TAX ID #
- MAIL SHOWING TOWN ADDRESS

A TAG WILL BE ISSUED FOR USE ONCE PROOF IS PROVIDED TO THE EMPLOYEE MANNING THE RECYCLING CENTER.

AFTER INSPECTION OF THE ITEMS BEING BROUGHT IN YOU WILL BE ALLOWED TO DISPOSE OF YOUR RECYCLING.

