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# TULLY NEWS

*SERVING THE PEOPLE OF TULLY*

## Update from Supervisor 4/12/23

Recently, the Tully Town Board has addressed numerous actions concerning Solar development within our Town. I thought it was appropriate to recap what had been transpiring.

Initially, we had an application for three solar sites within the Town. At that time, we really had no effective regulations governing the placement or construction of these facilities. The Board, therefore, enacted a moratorium on development and worked on a local law regulating the construction, setbacks, "view shed," and the overall life cycle of the project. This also included a "bond for removal" at the end of its life. At this point in time, we understood that these three sites were the "limit" of what could be constructed due to the limitations in our local electrical infrastructure.

Moving on to more recent developments, our infrastructure was enhanced and again we received applications for development. In this recent case, it was for an addendum or enlargement of one of the current sites. At this time, we realized we needed additional regulations to preserve the natural beauty of our community, while being respectful of landowner rights. We again enacted a moratorium and passed a local law creating a "Solar Overlay District." This is a submission, by the developer, setting additional guidelines on siting, size and proximity to existing sites and provides for review and approval of planning board. In this month's board meeting, we approved this site which is basically an extension of the existing site. The logic here is to use up the capacity at a site which already exists, and is mostly out of people's view.

These developments are around what is referred to as "Community infrastructure." This means they are connected to our local electrical substation, hence the limitations on capacity. We have also been contacted by another company about a utility-based site on Sky High Rd. This has been stagnant for some time, and there is no formal submission in place. In the case of utility-based sites, the connection is made directly to the high-tension electrical lines.

It is of utmost importance, to the Board and myself, that our citizens understand that the preservation of Tully's rural nature and natural beauty is an important priority to us. We are working hard to manage this and yet be respectful of landowner rights. Site placement, "view shed," and landscape screening are priorities.

I also want to mention that the State of New York has already acted to remove the ability of local municipalities from regulating larger sites exceeding 20 megawatts.

## Town of Tully Spring Clean-Up Day

**Saturday, May 13th, 2023**

**9:00am to 3:00pm**

**Village Treatment Plant**

**Community Drive, Tully, NY**

The CLEAN-UP DAY is ONLY for Village and Town residents. You must show proof of residency and accompany vehicle at drop-off site. Proof of residency must have your street address on it.

A Post Office Box will not be accepted as proof of residency.

### **NO PROOF OF RESIDENCY – NO DUMPING**

All items must be less than 8 feet in length.

All oil, gas and antifreeze products, which are not acceptable for disposal, must be drained from tanks and equipment.

### **IF YOU HAVE UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS ON BOARD, YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED ON SITE**

**WILL ACCEPT:** Most General Rubbish, Appliances, Metal, Computers (Flat Screens Only), Electronics, Lawn & Garden Waste, Vehicle Batteries, Empty Drums and Pails cut in half

### **NEW THIS YEAR: ACCEPTING ALL TELEVISIONS!!!! MATTRESSES WILL BE ACCEPTED AT A COST OF \$25**

Tires will be accepted off the rim at a cost -  
(Prices subject to change) Please have the correct amount of money.

- 16-inch and smaller tires: ..... \$3.00
- 17-inch and larger-truck tires: ..... \$7.00
- Large tires: ..... \$25.00

**WILL NOT ACCEPT:** Rechargeable or disposable household batteries, Fluorescent tubes, Brush, Garbage, Recyclables, Pails with lids, Whole drums, Paints Chemicals, Oil, Gas, Antifreeze or any Hazardous Waste!

**Please separate items to improve efficiency at disposal site.**

**ALL RESIDENTS PLEASE NOTE: DUE TO INCREASING COSTS, NO TRAILERS LONGER THAN 8 FEET WILL BE ALLOWED THROUGH THE GATES TO THE DUMPSTERS!!! ONE LOAD PER HOUSEHOLD!!!**

# The Tully News

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## Town of Tully Website

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## Village of Tully Website

[villageoftully.org](http://villageoftully.org).

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## News from Tully Free Library

Join us during National Library Week, April 23-29th, as we celebrate the valuable role libraries and library workers play to keep our communities vital. Stop in and say hello!

There's a lot going on in adult programming during the end of April and early May. Monday, Apr. 24 is our Poetry Open Mic Nite, at 6:30 PM. Come and share your favorite poems, as we celebrate National Poetry Month!

Visit Iceland and Finland in the next installment of our Armchair Travel series, as we see photos and hear stories from Kim and Mark Guttendorf, on Tuesday, Apr. 25 at 7:30 PM.

Get your phone, laptop or tablet working properly at our Tech Help Day on Thursday, Apr. 27th. A representative from Point Broadband will be in the library all day to offer assistance with your devices.

Close out our National Poetry Month celebration with a showing of "Shakespeare in Love," Friday, April 28 at 11 AM, part of our Friday Films series.

Kids in 4th-8th grades can come over after school on April 27 for a special LEGO play day, and 2nd-4th graders have Imagination Monday arts and crafts on May 1st.

Coming up in May, we have Bridge for Absolute Beginners on May 9, and Armchair Travel-Turkey, on May 16. We're closed on Friday, May 12 for a Staff Development Day.

Most programs require registration in advance. Please see our website for more information about these and other scheduled events. There's a lot going on at Tully Free Library!

## Tully Wastewater Treatment and DPW Staff

We now have a fully staffed Department of Public Works consisting of Kevin Kwiatkowski (Wastewater Treatment Operator), Mike Hoke (Labor Crew Leader and Water Treatment Operator), and Scott Haynes (Laborer). Please introduce yourself to them when you see them. They are working hard on spring cleanup, picking up yard waste on Mondays from April to October, before 7 am. Shrub trimmings and small twigs must be bagged, preferably in brown paper, but supposedly biodegradable plastic bags may be used (it takes a LONG time for these to degrade.). Brush can be placed between sidewalk and street with all cut ends pointing in the same direction as traffic, with no roots attached. The resulting wood chips may be picked up for free at the plant.

Problems continue with blockages in the sewer system caused by supposedly flushable wipes. They are NOT flushable, and wind around each other to block the sewer line. In the past month our DPW has had to spend thousands in extra time and equipment in order to unblock the sanitary sewers **PAID FOR BY YOUR TAX DOLLARS!** Please also be aware that grease should never be flushed into drains or toilets. Grease should be put into a container and then into the garbage.

## Comprehensive Plan for Village and Town of Tully

The current progress for writing the Comprehensive Plan for the Village and Town of Tully was brought before the public at a forum on March 30th by Barton and Loguidice. Posters were provided with options for agreement or disagreement, and new suggestions. The survey posted online and available on paper at locations in the Village (Library, Post Office, Bloomin' Cup, and Town Hall) will be added to the online input for review by the committee. There will be another Community Open House on May 31 from 6-7:30 pm, followed by a public hearing at 7:30 pm. The location is to be determined.

## Military Display

Stop by to view our annual Military Display in the sanctuary of the Tully Area Historical Society Building beginning May 20th. There will be over 200 pictures of Tully servicemen and women in uniform along with information pertaining to their branch of service, rank, where served and special honors. In addition, there will be copies of letters written during the Civil War by an ancestor of Rusty Spaulding, a variety of military uniforms, plaques, and newspaper articles.

Should you have a family member you would like included in the display, stop by the Historical Society to pick up the information form, supply a picture (preferably in uniform), which will be scanned and returned immediately to you. We have a published book of Veterans buried in the Tully Cemetery available for purchase. There is a wealth of information on our website: [tullyhistoricalsociety.org](http://tullyhistoricalsociety.org). We are very proud and appreciative of the many men and women who have served our Country.

We will be open on Monday, May 29th from 8:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.



Tully will be celebrating Memorial Day, Monday, May 29th. The ceremony will be held in front of the Elementary School at 9:00 a.m. followed by a parade to the Cemetery immediately following, led by the American Legion color guard. Veterans are encouraged to participate, as well as organizations. Please feel free to contact the Tully Historical Society – 315-696-4681 for more information or inquiries.

## Spring T.A.G. News

Tully Action Group is busy preparing Tracy Lake (Gatehouse Rd.) and South Meadows (Grove St.) trails for hiking. CNY Land Trust staff met with TAG at South Meadows on April 4th and are planning on doing some bench repair and adding new bluebird houses. Land Trust staff shared some suggestions on the meadow mowing schedules to keep invasive vegetation under control and allow for bird and insect nesting. Keep posted for some new long term plans for easier access and education opportunities. A reminder to dress appropriately as tick season has begun.

Cornerstone Park will see the completion of the community communication kiosk, some paving repairs and summer music in the park events.

The TAG board is proud of our President, Larrian Johnston, for receiving the Rotary Tully Citizen of the Year award. We all appreciate her hard work and commitment to the Tully community.

For more information on Tully Action Group see our Facebook page or call Janet Hillenbrand 315-427-9681.

### Tully Train Station Open for Social Events

Great Location to hold:

- Business Meetings
- Birthday Parties
- Bridal/Baby Showers
- Graduation Parties
- Rummage Sales
- Family/Class Reunions

Plenty of room, tables/chairs provided, front and back kitchens, 3 restrooms (one handicap accessible).



### County South Family Resource Center

Free Community clothing drive

Friday, May 5th 9:00AM – 4:30PM

**Tully Masonic Lodge  
(rear entrance)**

13 State Street, Tully, NY

Good, clean Spring/Summer used clothing will be accepted:

Monday, May 1st ..... 2-4:30PM

Tuesday, May 2nd ..... 2-4:30PM

Wednesday, May 3rd ..... 2-4:30PM

Thursday, May 4th ..... 2-4:30PM

Volunteers Needed!

Please call Barb or Brenda @  
(315) 696-8203



### Free Shredding Event for Tully Residents

Sponsored by the

Town Clerk's Office

May 20th from 9Am - Noon

Town Hall Parking Lot on Meeting House Road

The Town will be hosting a free shredding event for all Village and Town residents – and businesses, too!! Bring your paperwork, tax documents, bank statements and bills to the parking lot at the town hall to be securely shredded and taken to a waste management site for recycling.



TULLY DAIRY MOO RUN!

Honoring Coach Jim Paccia

SATURDAY JUNE 17<sup>th</sup>

**This year's race will take place on the Tully cross country course, parking and race day registration at the town pavilion 5833 Meetinghouse Rd.**

Kids Fun run begins at 8:30am and is free to all little runners

5k run begins at 9am

-pre-registration \$25

-race day registration \$30

\*t-shirt included for all registrations submitted by May 31<sup>st</sup>\*

**Register online at Active.com- Town of Tully**

**or**

**submit the form below with payment to:**

**Town of Tully, PO Box 536, Tully NY 13159**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_

# 3rd Annual Tully Rotary Golf Tournament

Saturday, May 20th @ 10am

Vesper Hills Golf Club



- Open to the public, Rotary Clubs, local businesses. More information at tullyrotary.com
- Captain and Crew format—\$380/team; includes skins
- Food at the turn—Dinner—Raffles and prizes
- Proceeds will help fund the Tully Rotary Ecological and Environmental Sustainability projects (T.R.E.E.S.)
- RSVP by May 6th

**Call/Text 315-696-1825 to register**

