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TULLY NEWS

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Update from Supervisor

Informational Meeting on Wind Project has been rescheduled.

Tuesday 5/21 6:30 PM at Tully High School Auditorium.

Representatives from Palmer Capital (The Developer) will be presenting.

Wednesday night we attempted to have an informational meeting on potential large scale wind turbines as part of our regularly scheduled Town Board Meeting. The meeting brought many more attendees including many from neighboring towns. The presentation was cancelled due to our exceeding the Town Hall capacity and will be rescheduled to a more appropriate venue.

It needs to be understood that the intent was to inform the Tully Town Board and Tully residents, since no official application has been made to the town of Tully and all we had were rumors. The Developer was here only by my invitation, there was no obligation for them to present.

From some of the comments made I feel that many don't understand the real issues at hand. The Town of Tully has a zoning ordinance prohibiting large scale wild turbines. The issue is NY State overrules home rule if the project exceeds 25 megawatts. (Home Rule is the right of local communities to legislate and regulate activities within their community). The Town remains steadfast in our belief our Zoning rules should prevail, however our State elected officials have taken this away from us. It is ironic that a Massachusetts based company where home rule exists, comes to NY where their project is forced on the population by the state.

The State regulations are as follows:

For details on the new State regulations on solar and wind projects, go to Section 94(C) of the New York State Executive Law and also the Department of State, Office of Renewable Energy Siting.

While these new laws do allow governments to participate in the process, the ultimate decision is made irrespective of any local laws and is determined by the New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment, the "Siting Board".

Two Lawsuits brought by local governments challenging these provisions have both gone to the Appellate Divisions in Third and Fourth Departments and in both cases, they were unsuccessful.

Who can I Contact:

State Senator Rachel May
333 E Washington Street
Suite 805
Syracuse NY 13202
315-478-8745

Assemblyman John Lemondes
69 South St
Auburn NY 13021
315-355-3048

2024 SHREDDING EVENT

Free Shredding Event
for Tully Residents
Sponsored by the Town Clerk's Office
May 11th from 9am – 11am
Town Hall Parking Lot
Meeting House Road

The Town Board Meeting regularly scheduled for

**May 8th has been
postponed to**

May 15th at 7:30pm.

We recently had openings on both the Planning Board and the Zoning Board of Appeals .

The solicitation for those interested, was not well coordinated and we received applications after interviews and decisions were made.

I apologize for this error and in the future, we will publish a submission deadline date and do a better job of coordination. For those that applied and were not responded to, please accept my apologies and please pursue future opportunities. I very much appreciate people getting involved in local government.

—John Masters

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Town of Tully Website

www.townoftully.org.

Village of Tully Website

villageoftully.org.

Onondaga Co. Website

www.ongov.net

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Please Read Dave Meixell's Excellent letter to the editor of the Post Standard below.

To the Editor:

Very few people realize that New York State has quietly usurped the ability of local governments to regulate land use decisions in their towns. In 2021, New York established the Office of Renewable Energy Siting (ORES) to oversee the siting of large-scale wind and solar facilities. While the regulations on how ORES works are complicated, their website clearly states the bottom line – "The Office of Renewable Energy Siting has the authority to issue a single permit for the construction of major renewable energy facilities from both a state and local law perspective... (emphasis added)." In other words, ORES will make land use decisions, not local governments.

ORES regulations require that they consider local laws when reviewing an application, but they routinely approve applications that violate zoning and other local laws. In Tully, we recently updated our Comprehensive Plan to reflect the values of Tully residents. There was a survey and a great deal of input from Tully residents. We also have a prohibition of large-scale wind turbines that predates our revised Comprehensive Plan. Under our requirements, the proposed Maple Harvest Wind Project would need to obtain a zoning variance approved by both the Planning Board and the Town Board before it could proceed. Unfortunately, even as we follow all the ORES procedures, our local boards will not have a say in the matter. Our updated Comprehensive Plan and local ordinances will be meaningless.

There was little or no public input when ORES was established. While it is critical that we transition from fossil fuels to renewable power, local land use decisions should not be dictated from an anonymous office in Albany. These decisions should be made by community residents. All New York towns and residents should be concerned with these changes, and I urge our state senators and assembly members to rescind the ORES procedures.

Dave Meixell
Tully Town Board

Parks and Recreation

Tully Resident swim lesson registration opens May 1st! The first two weeks of registration will be open to Tully residents ONLY. As of May 18th registration will extend to our neighboring communities. When you register PLEASE register under Tully Residents, not neighboring communities. This is very important so that we can prioritize our residents first. We thank you in advance for taking the time to double check your registration!

ENJOY VOLUNTEERING - - The Country Peddler is in need of Volunteers. A variety of duties - - 2-1/2 & 3 hr. shifts Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri., or Sat. Call Eileen Bishop (315-857-4716) or the Tully Area Historical Society (315-696-4681) for more information.

T.A.G. News

Thank you to all who participated in Earth Day clean up in the Town and Village of Tully. Keep up the good work for the other 11 months of the year!

Spring Garden and flower work days will begin at Cornerstone Park. If you are interested in helping please contact a TAG Board member or Janet Hillenbrand 315-427-9681

Music in the Park will be scheduled on some Sunday evenings in June and July. Hope to see you there!

News from Tully Free Library

Spring has sprung and we are ready!

Is fishing your hobby? We have some lightweight poles that you can check out for use, and hooks and bobbins are included!

Planning a home garden? Check out our seed library! We have a variety of seed packets you can take home for planting. Feel free to donate back to us any seeds you collect after harvesting for use next year!

Gardening enthusiasts of all ages are welcome to join our new Worker Bees Garden Club! Our first meeting is on Thursday, April 18 at 4 PM. This group will get together to help beautify our library grounds and have fun, too!

Join us on Monday, April 22nd at 6 PM for our Full Steam Ahead Showcase! Come and celebrate what our FSA students have created over the past few months, and even try out a few projects yourselves! Refreshments will be served.

Make sure to check our website for our upcoming events and programs for all ages, including book clubs, crafts, story times and more! And don't forget about our upcoming proposition vote on May 21st. We thank the community so much for your support of our library!

Tully Community Garden

The Tully Community Garden, located behind St. Leo's Parish Hall on Onondaga Street, is looking for new members. We have all levels of experience and training and are willing to train anyone. Members are asked to put in an average of an hour of gardening work per week and may take out of the garden whatever their family can eat. We keep our use of chemicals to a minimum, order many of our seeds as organics, and use a generous load of high-quality compost donated by OCRRA to increase our yields. Our crops include tomatoes, peppers, peas, green beans, beets, radishes, carrots, potatoes, onions, leeks, scallions, zucchini, yellow squash, winter squash, cucumbers, broccoli, Brussels sprouts, lettuce, several types of greens, garlic, and herbs.

We welcome individuals, families, and children. Membership is free, but donations are accepted. If you have questions, call Kathy Vernay (315-416-6629), email kvernay@twcnr.com, or stop in at Tully Market to speak to Kathy. For a look at the Garden, go to our Facebook page: Tully Community Garden. Deb Putman has posted some wonderful pictures of the garden there in past years.



PEACE, Inc. is hiring a part-time Office Manager to perform various clerical and data entry duties for 10 hours per week at \$15.00 per hour, in their Family Resource Center at 12 Clinton Street in Tully. Please send resume to jcolucci@peace-caa.org, or call 315-696-8203 for more information.

P.E.A.C.E. Inc. is recruiting participants for our FREE After School Program for the remainder of the school year 2024. We have 3-4 openings available. We meet at our office from 2:30 – 4:30 on Mondays and Wednesdays during the school year and follow the school calendar of holidays and vacations. We provide healthy snacks, art, educational and physical activities, and occasional field-trips. If needed, we can provide transportation. All are welcome – Grades 3-6, boys and girls. Contact: Brenda Nellenback at (315) 696-8203.

FREE COMMUNITY CLOTHING DRIVE

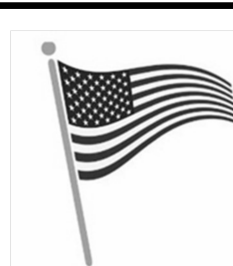
Friday, May 10th 9:00am—4:30pm
@ Tully Masonic Lodge (rear entrance)
13 State Street, Tully, NY

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

Monday, May 6th 2-4:30 PM
Tuesday, May 7th 2-4:30 PM
Wednesday, May 8th 2-4:30 PM
Thursday, May 9th 2-4:30 PM

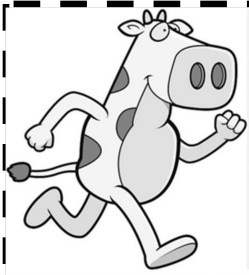
Volunteers Needed!

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



In preparation for this year's Memorial Day ceremony, the Historical Society is seeking names of persons from the local area currently serving in the military and where they are currently stationed. This

includes those serving in any branch of the Reserves. You can communicate via e-mail at admin@historicalsociety.org, on our website, tullyhistoricalsociety.org, or phone 315-696-4681. There will be a parade at 10:00 from the Elementary School to the Cemetery. Any group or persons interested in participating, please contact us.



TULLY DAIRY MOO RUN!

SATURDAY JUNE 22nd

**This years 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 22nd ***

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 _____

Town of Tully Spring Clean-Up Day

Saturday, May 11th, 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 10 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 \$30

Tires will be accepted off the rim at a cost -

(Prices subject to change) Please have the correct amount of money.

18-inch and smaller tires: \$4.00

19-inch and larger-truck tires: \$5.00

Large tires: \$35.00

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!!!

Annual Black Knight Baseball Carwash

MAY 5 from 11 - 2

HS Bus Garage

Donations Accepted