



# News & Reviews

**June 3, 2020**

***Town of Pittsford - a Clean Energy Community***

***See listings below for***

***Upcoming Activities, Town Board Meetings & Community Meetings***

## **MESSAGE FROM SUPERVISOR BILL SMITH**

Recently there have been incidents of anti-Semitic and white supremacist vandalism in the Town and Village of Pittsford. We've witnessed with horror and revulsion the inhumane, undeserved and brutally unjust killing of George Floyd in Minneapolis. The Town Board reaffirms its denunciation of such acts.

In October 2018, the Pittsford Town Board unanimously passed the resolution below. Actions by elected officials are only one step. We need all residents, especially parents, to educate themselves on how to recognize and respond to hate speech. The Anti-Defamation League ([www.adl.org](http://www.adl.org)) maintains a database of more than 200 hate symbols as well as guidance on how to have family conversations about anti-Semitism, racism, and other forms of hate. If you encounter vandalism in Pittsford that includes hate speech or symbols, note the location, photograph it, and notify Town Hall so we can provide the information to the Monroe County Sheriff and take any other necessary steps. It takes all of us, together.

## **RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE RESIDENTS OF PITTSFORD, NEW YORK**

WHEREAS, the Town of Pittsford, New York has a long and proud history of welcoming all who choose to make the Town their home; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of Pittsford recognizes that living in a community comprising residents from myriad national, ethnic and religious backgrounds enriches our community culture, our lives, and for each of us broadens our understanding and appreciation of the world and our place in it; and

WHEREAS, in Pittsford we value our friends and neighbors for the content of their character, regardless of their cultural background, regardless of whether they find love in this life with members of the opposite sex or of their own, regardless of how they worship, regardless of any disability they may live with; regardless of any other condition of their lives, we value them for themselves; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Pittsford re-affirms our tradition and commitment to welcome all and to treat each person equally, with dignity and with respect; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that as representatives of our community we will not tolerate prejudice or harassing behaviors and want all people to feel safe, valued and welcome in the community of Pittsford.

# SUMMER FUN DAY CAMP UPDATES

*Message from Recreation Director Jessie Hollenbeck and  
Supervisor Bill Smith -  
Important Summer Camp Update*

Summer Camps have been authorized to start June 29. We intend to run camps using national, state and local guidelines to make campers and staff as safe as possible.

- Camp Hours 8:30am-4:00pm
- No before or after camp care
- No offsite field trips
- Space is limited

We will continue to develop our plans as we await further guidance from officials. The safety of our camp participants, their families, and our employees remain our top priority.

Families registered for the program will receive communication from the Recreation Department outlining all safety measures prior to the start of camp.

Thank you for your continued patience!

## **JUNE SUMMER CONCERTS CANCELED**

### ***July and August concerts remain tentatively scheduled***

In accordance with State COVID-19 social distancing and health safety protocols, and NY Forward reopening guidelines, the Town of Pittsford has canceled the June performances for its Friday night Summer Concert Series. The concert series is typically held along the canal in Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford. Concert dates in July and August remain tentatively scheduled. Updates will be posted on the Town events page [www.townofpittsford.org/community-events](http://www.townofpittsford.org/community-events) once we receive guidance from the State.

## **DUCK DROP POSTPONED**

Pittsford Youth Services has announced that the 2020 Duck Drop, traditionally held in July, will be postponed. The event is expected to be rescheduled for the fall. Check the PYS Facebook page or website [www.pittsfordyouthservices.org](http://www.pittsfordyouthservices.org) for updates.

## **MARSH RD & MITCHELL RD CANAL BRIDGES BRIEF CLOSURE FOR MONDAY, 6/8**

We've been advised that the NYS Department of Transportation will briefly close two canal bridges this Monday, 6/8/20 to conduct washing and repair activities. See the schedule below:

- Marsh Road Bridge over Erie Canal, Town of Perinton - closed 9:00 - 10:00am
- Mitchell Road Bridge over Erie Canal, Town of Pittsford - closed 11:00am - 2:00pm

NYS DOT will post "Bridge Closed Ahead" signs at the nearest major intersections in both areas.

## **REMINDERS**

### **PITTSFORD TOWN COURT STAFF TAKING CALLS AND EMAILS MONDAY - FRIDAY, 9AM - 5PM**

***Court remains closed to the public; Court Office is open by appointment only***  
***All court cases are administratively adjourned until further notice***

The Pittsford Town Court staff are now available to answer phone calls and emails Monday - Friday from 9:00am - 5:00pm. The Town Court remains closed to the public; the Court Office is open by appointment only. All court cases have been administratively adjourned until further notice and no future court dates have been set at this time. Court staff may be reached at (585) 248-6238 or (585) 248-6239, or by email at [pdromgoole@townofpittsford.org](mailto:pdromgoole@townofpittsford.org). Those with pending matters scheduled before Pittsford Town Court will not be penalized for failure to appear or pay fines during this period of time.

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### **LIBRARY NOW OFFERING CURBSIDE PICKUP MONDAY - SATURDAY, 10AM - 2PM**

The Pittsford Community Library is offering curbside pickup of Library materials for all Monroe County Library System cardholders. The quick and easy curbside pickup process ensures the safety of patrons and employees.

#### **Curbside Schedule**

- Curbside pickup will be offered Monday - Saturday from 10:00am - 2:00pm.
- Staff will be available by phone (585-248-6275) from 9:30am - 2:30pm for pickup requests and other reference questions.

## How to Request Materials

- All library materials currently available on our shelves are eligible for pickup.
- Request a maximum of 10 items per household per week.
- Email us your request at [pclreference@townofpittsford.org](mailto:pclreference@townofpittsford.org) or call in your request at 585-248-6275.
- Include or have ready your library card number and essential information about the items, such as title, author, format, and publication date.

## Pickup Instructions

- Bring your photo ID or library card.
- Pickup will be in the vestibule of the parking lot entrance.
- Follow the posted instructions: enter the vestibule, show your ID or library card to staff through the window, and then wait for staff to indicate that you can pick up your materials.
- To ensure the safety of our staff and community, there can be one (1) person at each line marker and in the vestibule at a time. Surfaces will be wiped down between pickups.

We hope you will take advantage of our curbside service in addition to the many online resources our Library has continued to offer throughout State's COVID-19 pandemic shutdown. Find details at [www.bit.ly/your-library-at-home](http://www.bit.ly/your-library-at-home).

## MEET THE SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATES NIGHT - VIA ZOOM ON JUNE 4

The Pittsford Central PTSA will present an online forum on Thursday, June 4 at 7:00pm during which candidates running for the Pittsford Central School District Board of Education will answer questions via a moderator on Zoom. Three candidates are running for two open seats: Ted Aroesty, Sareer Fazili and Robin Scott. Parents and community members will be able to view the forum online and may submit questions in advance via this form: [www.cognitofirms.com/PittsfordPTSA/MeetTheCandidates2020](http://www.cognitofirms.com/PittsfordPTSA/MeetTheCandidates2020). All questions must be submitted by June 2.

The forum will be recorded and posted to the Pittsford Central School District's YouTube page after the event. To view the event live use this link at 7:00pm on June 4: <https://ensemble.monroe.edu/Watch/c7ARn9a5>.

Questions about the online forum may be directed to Darla Darby, Pittsford Central PTSA VP of Education Council, at [dmd403ns@gmail.com](mailto:dmd403ns@gmail.com) or Joan Sperandio, Pittsford Central PTSA Secretary, at [secretary@pittsfordptsa.net](mailto:secretary@pittsfordptsa.net).

## SCHOOL BUDGET VOTE AND BOARD ELECTION BY ABSENTEE BALLOT ONLY, BALLOTS DUE 6/9

In accordance with Executive Order 202.26 issued by NYS Governor Andrew Cuomo, this year's school budget vote and board of education election will be conducted entirely by absentee ballot.

Two ballots and two postage paid return envelopes have been mailed, with instructions, to every PCSD household. Residents are asked to return their ballots by mail, using the prepaid envelopes. Only one ballot per envelope is allowed. **All absentee ballots must be received in the District Clerk's office by 5:00pm on June 9, 2020.**

Eligible voters must meet the following legal requirements:

- \* At least 18 years of age
- \* A citizen of the United States
- \* A legal resident of the District at least 30 days immediately prior to June 9, 2020

Additional ballots for qualified voters can be requested by contacting the District Clerk at [Deborah\\_Carpenter@pittsford.monroe.edu](mailto:Deborah_Carpenter@pittsford.monroe.edu). For more [information about the 2020-2021 Budget and Board of Education candidates click here](#).

### **ASL INTERPRETER AT TOWN BOARD MEETINGS**

The Town of Pittsford provides an American Sign Language interpreter at every meeting of the Pittsford Town Board, to interpret for those who need this service.

### **UPCOMING COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES IN PITTSFORD**

- **June performances** for the [Town Summer Concert Series](#) have been **CANCELED** due to COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic health and safety protocols; the concert series is typically held along the canal in Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford. Concert dates in July and August remain tentatively scheduled. Updates will be posted on the Town events page [www.townofpittsford.org/community-events](http://www.townofpittsford.org/community-events)

### **TOWN OF PITTSFORD BOARD MEETINGS**

- **Planning Board**, Monday, 6/8, 7:30pm, ONLINE ACCESS via Zoom video conferencing; information for accessing and viewing the meeting can be found on page 2 of the meeting agenda; the meeting agenda is posted at least two days prior to the meeting on the Town website here: [www.townofpittsford.org/home-minutes](http://www.townofpittsford.org/home-minutes)

### **COMMUNITY MEETINGS CALENDAR**

- [Village Board of Trustees meeting](#), Tuesday, 6/9, 6:00pm, virtual meeting through videoconferencing; more information and participation registration details will be listed on the Village website [here](#) as the meeting date approaches
- [American Legion Rayson-Miller Post 899](#) **TUESDAY MORNING BREAKFAST MEETINGS CANCELED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE** due to COVID-19 coronavirus social distancing requirements. Eligible veterans welcome to join the Post; for [membership information](#) visit the [Rayson-Miller Post website](#)
- [Pittsford Rotary Club](#), **WEEKLY IN-PERSON MEETINGS CANCELED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE** due to COVID-19 coronavirus social distancing requirements; check the Pittsford Rotary Facebook page for virtual meeting information.
- [Pittsford Art Group](#) **MEETINGS CANCELED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE** due to COVID-19 coronavirus social distancing requirements. For further information, contact PAG president [Margie Mitchell](#)

## **Town Facility Closures**

**Spiegel Pittsford Community Center** - building is closed and all programs canceled until further notice except Senior Meals to Go and Summer Fun Day Camps.

**Pittsford Community Library** - building is closed and all programs canceled until further notice, online resources available at [www.townofpittsford.org/home-library-resources](http://www.townofpittsford.org/home-library-resources). For virtual children's programming check the Library's Facebook page [www.facebook.com/PittsfordLibrary/](https://www.facebook.com/PittsfordLibrary/). The Book Drop return area is now open; please only deposit returned books, donations are not being accepted at this time. All items checked out after February 3 will now have a due date of June 29 and can be returned then. Curbside pickup of Library materials is available for Monroe County Library System cardholders. For details, and other updates, visit the Library's Updates page at <https://tinyurl.com/vg242of>.



**Town Hall** is open to residents by appointment only; in-person meetings will be limited and allowed only when absolutely necessary. Calls should be made to the department related to the inquiry. Town Hall remains staffed to handle business online and by mail, phone, email and the "drop slot" to the right of the front door of Town Hall.

**Town Clerk:** All services of the Town Clerk are available online, by mail, phone and email. If necessary, an appointment can be arranged. Contact at 248-6214 or [ldillon@townofpittsford.org](mailto:ldillon@townofpittsford.org), mail materials to Pittsford Town Clerk's Office, 11 South Main Street, Pittsford NY 14534. Services info at [www.townofpittsford.org/home-clerk](http://www.townofpittsford.org/home-clerk).

**Town Court:** By order of the Chief Administrative Judge of the State of New York, Town Court is closed until further notice. The Pittsford Town Court staff are available to answer phone calls and emails Monday - Friday, from 9:00am - 5:00pm. The Town Court remains closed to the public; the Court Office is open by appointment only. All court cases have been administratively adjourned until further notice and no future court dates have been set at this time. Court staff may be reached at (585) 248-6238 or (585) 248-6239, or by email at [pdromgoole@townofpittsford.org](mailto:pdromgoole@townofpittsford.org). Those with pending matters scheduled before Pittsford Town Court will not be penalized for failure to appear or pay fines during this period of time. Once the Town Court office reopens, Court personnel will contact all individuals with pending business before the court to reschedule appearances and address fine payments. Other essential court matters (new arraignments) will be handled at the Monroe County Courthouse, Hall of Justice, 99 Exchange Blvd #545, Rochester, NY 14614, which is the designated central location for Monroe County. For more information, see <http://ww2.nycourts.gov/courts/7jd/index.shtml> or call (585) 371-3848.

**All Town Playgrounds:** residents may use Town playgrounds at their own risk, as it is not possible for the Town to keep equipment appropriately sanitized after every use. Those using Town playgrounds are expected to observe COVID-19 social distancing and hygiene protocols.

**All Town Parks:** all athletic fields and courts are closed to all groups of any size; the trails remain accessible.

**Thornell Farm Park:** all grass and turf fields currently remain closed; the tennis courts, trails, walkways and the playground are open to residents, COVID-19 social distancing and hygiene protocols are required.

**King's Bend Park Lodges and the Mile Post School:** are closed to the public until further notice, as these sites are being used as Public Works crew operation centers.

**Building Department:** As of May 15, 2020 the Governor has begun the phased reopening of New York State. The Town of Pittsford and the surrounding Finger Lakes region have met the criteria set by the Governor to reopen. Construction is included in Phase 1 of the reopening plan. As construction moves forward, all COVID-19 safety guidelines set by the State and Federal governments must be followed while on the job site. To protect the community and limit the spread of COVID-19, the Town of Pittsford has altered accordingly its inspection and permitting procedures. See the Town of Pittsford COVID-19 Building Inspection Procedures for details; additional information can be found here: New York State Construction Guidelines. For more information contact Town of Pittsford Building Inspector Mark Lenzi at [mlenzi@townofpittsford.org](mailto:mlenzi@townofpittsford.org) or call the Town Building Department at 585-248-6265.

**Town Public Works** - Highway, Sewer and Parks Departments: All operations continue. Crews in these departments are following hygiene and social distancing protocols in light of the COVID-19 threat.

**Monroe County Services at Town facilities:**

The County has suspended until further notice Passport Services at Town Hall and Mobile DMV service at Pittsford Town Court. Per the NYS Department of Motor Vehicles, all driver licenses, learner permits, non-driver identification cards, vehicle registrations and vehicle inspections scheduled to expire on or after March 1, 2020 are extended until further notice and all temporary registration documents are valid until further notice. This extension does NOT apply to insurance coverage - motor vehicle liability insurance coverage must be

maintained at all times during the extension period. Find updated information for Monroe County DMV here <https://www2.monroecounty.gov/clerk-COVID-19>.

Further information and updates can be found at [www.townofpittsford.org/covid-19info](http://www.townofpittsford.org/covid-19info).

## **COVID-19 Coronavirus Information Links**

Further Town of Pittsford COVID-19 coronavirus information and updates can be found at [www.townofpittsford.org/covid-19info](http://www.townofpittsford.org/covid-19info).

[Pittsford Central School District COVID-19 Coronavirus Updates](#)

You can find information on COVID-19 coronavirus at the County Health Department's website: <https://www2.monroecounty.gov/health-index.php>.

Additional information about business closure requirements throughout Monroe County can be found on the County's Website: [www.monroecounty.gov](http://www.monroecounty.gov)

The CDC also has information on its website at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/share-facts-stop-fear.html>.

In addition, the CDC has information relevant to anyone planning to travel outside of the United States: [https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/index.html?deliveryName=USCDC\\_2067-DM20785](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/index.html?deliveryName=USCDC_2067-DM20785).

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