

News & Reviews

June 9, 2021

Town of Pittsford - a Clean Energy Community

***See listings below for
Upcoming Activities, Town Board Meetings & Community Meetings***

ZONING CODE UPDATE MEETING TODAY AT NOON

The Pittsford Town Board will be conducting regular meetings to discuss the Town's Zoning Code Update - our first meeting is today - Wednesday, June 9 - at noon. The meeting is open to the public and will be held via Zoom. You can access it here:

<https://townofpittsford.zoom.us/j/85912138760?pwd=ellkUnI0aVFrQkJCc1d5UWNFYitlUT09>

Meeting ID: 859 1213 8760.



The Zoning Update meetings are tentatively scheduled for the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at noon, through the end of 2021. Meetings will be held via Zoom and are open to the public. Information about how to view the meetings will be posted on the Town website at www.townofpittsford.org at least two days prior to the meeting. The meetings will also be listed on the Town website calendar. You can find a [complete meeting schedule here](#).

Please note dates and times are subject to change; check www.townofpittsford.org for the most current updates.

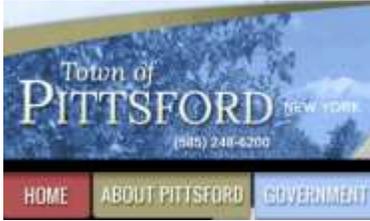
Learn more about the Zoning Code Update, and find links to the Town's Comprehensive Plan, Active Transportation Plan, current Zoning Code, and other informational materials, on the Zoning Code Update website at www.townofpittsford.org/zoningupdate.

To let us know your thoughts about how and where to implement zoning changes that will best meet the needs defined in our Comprehensive Plan and Active Transportation Plan:

- Visit www.townofpittsford.org/zoningupdate to view Zoning Update materials and information
- Submit comments via email to zoningupdate@townofpittsford.org, or
- Mail comments to Doug DeRue, Town of Pittsford, 11 South Main Street, Pittsford, NY 14534

When submitting comments, please indicate whether you are a Town or Village resident.

We encourage all Town of Pittsford stakeholders (residents, business and property owners, community leaders, and taxpayers) to participate in the update. Substantial input and feedback from a broad range of our community members is essential to ensure the updated Zoning Code reflects the community's development preferences and future vision!



CHECK THE URL TO MAKE SURE YOU ARE VISITING A LEGITIMATE TOWN WEB PAGE

We recently were made aware that a "scraped" version of the Town website exists. It is a series of static pages that looks like the Town website but the web address that shows is not the Town web address. The site has come up on some Google searches.

The address of any Town department web page or informational web page or link will always begin with www.townofpittsford.org in the address bar. Before clicking on a link from a search for a Town web page, please be sure to check that the web address is the real Town web address. This is actually good advice for any web search you may conduct.

Per our web provider, "scraped" websites unfortunately are becoming a common occurrence. We immediately reported this abuse to the domain registrar so they could take the necessary steps to remove the scraped site. We also reported the site to the search engine sites (google, etc.).

The forged site does not affect the functionality of our own Town website in any way. But as we currently don't know if the faked site can cause any issues for those that click on it, please take care not to click on any of the pages from the faked site. It is possible that malicious content could be copied into those fake pages. So please, check the full web address that shows up in a search, or hover over any link before you click it, and make sure you are visiting the real Town website before you click on any link.



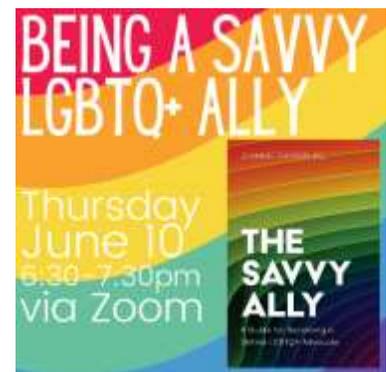
GRAB AND GO MEALS FOR SENIORS – PICK UP AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER

Meals available Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Seniors "Grab and Go" meals at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center are available three days a week – on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. This convenient pickup lunch program for seniors is provided by the Monroe County Office of the Aging. Meals are offered to anyone age 60 or over at a suggested contribution of \$3.50 each and **must be reserved in advance**. Pick up is at the bus loop behind the Community Center. For more information, and to order, call our Senior Programs office at 248-6235. The Spiegel Pittsford Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue.

SAVVY LGBTQ+ ALLY AND BLACK WOMEN'S HEALTH LIBRARY ONLINE PROGRAMS 6/10 & 6/15

Mark your calendars for two upcoming online programs offered by the Pittsford Community Library. **Being a Savvy LGBTQ+ Ally** is this Thursday, June 10 from 6:30 – 7:30pm via Zoom. Author Jeannie Gainsburg joins us to discuss her encouraging and fun new guidebook: *The Savvy Ally: A Guide for Becoming a Skilled LGBTQ+ Advocate*. She will talk about her inspiration for writing the book, share some common LGBTQ+ etiquette bloopers to avoid, and offer some ally tips for us to take out into the world.





Then join us this Tuesday, June 15 from 7:00 – 8:00pm for **In this Moment: Black Women's Health**. Debora McDell-Hernandez and Dr. Celia McIntosh, both featured in the "In This Moment" chapbook series, will provide an overview on how systemic racism impacts the health and healthcare outcomes of Black women. Debora McDell-Hernandez is the senior director of public & community affairs for Planned Parenthood of Central & Western New York, and Dr. Celia McIntosh, DNP, RN, FNP-C, PMHNP-BC, SCRNP, CEN, CCRN, CNRN, is president of the Rochester Regional Coalition Against Human Trafficking. This event is co-hosted with the Webster and Henrietta Public Libraries.

Both programs are free but registration is required to receive the Zoom link; the Zoom link will be sent the day of the program. Register for Savvy LGBTQ+ Ally and Black Women's Health programs via the Library Program Calendar or visit <https://www.townofpittsford.org/home-library> and use the Library Program Registration link.

The Pittsford Community Library is located at 24 State Street. To learn more about upcoming Library programs, visit the [Library's online program calendar](#). For complete Library information, including hours of operation, visit <https://www.townofpittsford.org/home-library>.



HAVE YOU STOPPED BY THE NATURE PRESERVE? IF NOT, SEE OUR VIDEO!

If you haven't had a chance to stop by our new Erie Canal Nature Preserve yet, here's a chance to see what it's all about view our [Erie Canal Nature Preserve video](#)!

CONCERT SERIES ALONG CANAL BEGINS JUNE 25 WITH THE SMUGTOWN STOMPERS

The Town of Pittsford's 2021 [Summer Concert Series](#) kicks off Friday, June 25 with authentic Dixieland jazz by the [Smugtown Stompers](#). Join us at 6:30pm along the canal in Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford, 22 North Main Street.

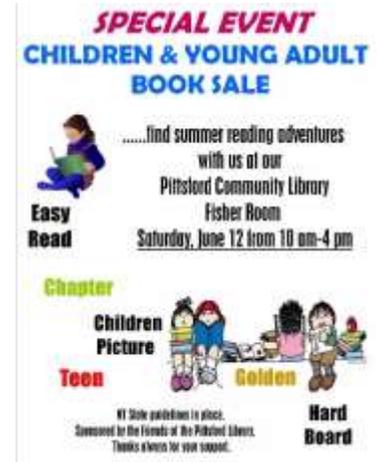


Our Summer Concert Series continues on four additional Friday evenings throughout the summer – July 9 and 23, and August 6 and 20. We'll feature a variety of outstanding music, from blues and pops to steel drum island sounds and a Beatles tribute band! See a complete schedule on our [Summer Concert Series Event page](#) on the Town website.

REMINDERS

LIBRARY CHILDREN'S BOOK SALE SATURDAY, 6/ 12

The [Friends of Pittsford Library Children's Book Sale](#) is this Saturday, June 12 from 10:00am - 4:00pm in the Pittsford Community Library's Fisher Meeting Room and features **a variety of books for young children to teens**, as well as other categories. **The sale is open to all!** To ensure enough time and space for all to safely browse, **appropriate physical distancing and mask wearing will be required**, the number of shoppers in the room at a time will be limited, and shopping time will be limited to 20 minutes per guest. While there will be fewer tables, tables will be replenished throughout the sale so everyone has a chance to find some wonderful book buys. **Bags won't be available so please bring your own if you'd like.** All proceeds benefit our Pittsford Community Library!



TOWN BOARD MEETINGS ARE STREAMING LIVE

Pittsford Town Board meetings are being streamed live; the feed is accessible on any device. Town Board is typically held the first and third Tuesday of the month at 6:00pm at Town Hall. See www.townofpittsford.org/calendar for meeting dates. To view the livestream, click the [Town Board Meeting live streaming link](#) when the meeting begins. This link can also be found on page two of the meeting agenda. The meeting agenda is posted on the Town's [minutes and agendas page](#) at least two days prior to the meeting. Please note: if you try to log in too early (before the meeting feed is live) you will see an error message; refresh your screen just prior to or at 6:00pm when the board meeting starts and you will be able to view the meeting. As always, ASL interpretation is provided for every Town Board meeting.

ASL INTERPRETER ALWAYS AVAILABLE AT TOWN BOARD MEETINGS

The Town of Pittsford has an American Sign Language interpreter available at every Pittsford Town Board meeting, to interpret for those who need this service. Those who can't attend a Town Board meeting in person but are planning to watch the meeting's live stream can confirm their need for the interpreter by emailing comments@townofpittsford.org. Requests can be made in advance or can be emailed through the first ten minutes of the meeting. An on-demand Town Board meeting video with closed captioning will be available within 48 hours of the meeting; visit www.townofpittsford.org/home-channel12 and use the On-Demand links to view previously recorded meetings.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES IN PITTSFORD

- [Friends of Pittsford Library Children's Book Sale](#), Saturday, 6/12, 10:00am – 4:00pm, Fisher Meeting Room, Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street, sale is open to all, featuring a variety of books for young children to teens; please note to ensure enough time and space to safely browse, appropriate physical distancing and mask wearing required, the number of shoppers in the room at a time will be limited, shopping time will be limited to 20 minutes per guest, bags not available – please bring your own.
- **Supervisor Saturday with Bill Smith** - join the conversation with Town Supervisor Bill Smith at this casual open house, topics of discussion based upon attendee interest; Saturday, 6/19, 9:00 - 10:00am, Fisher Meeting Room (first floor), Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street. Please note appropriate COVID-19 health guidelines will be followed.

- [Pittsford Community Library programs & services survey](#), survey is open online through 6/19; click this [link to take the survey](#), all responses are anonymous
- [Red Cross Blood Drive at Pittsford Community Library](#), Thursday, 6/24, 9:00am – 2:00pm, Pittsford Community Library Fisher Meeting Room, 24 State Street; [schedule an appointment in advance using this online registration link](#) or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767); the Red Cross will be following all COVID-19 guidelines during the blood drive, for more information visit www.redcrossblood.org
- [Town Summer Concert Series](#) opening night, featuring Dixieland jazz with the Smugtown Stompers, Friday, 6/25, 6:30pm, canalside in Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford, 22 N. Main Street
- [Town of Pittsford Zoning Code Update](#) – **comments made by Town of Pittsford stakeholders via email and mail being accepted**; access the Comprehensive Plan, the Active Transportation Plan, the project timeline, a link to the Town’s current Zoning Code, and other informational materials, on the **Zoning Code Update website** at www.townofpittsford.org/zoningupdate. Comments can be made to zoningupdate@townofpittsford.org or mailed to Doug DeRue, Town of Pittsford, 11 South Main Street, Pittsford, NY 14534; please indicate whether you are a Town or Village resident.

TOWN OF PITTSFORD BOARD MEETINGS

- **Pittsford Community Library Board**, Wednesday, 6/9, 6:00pm, Fisher Meeting Room, Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street; current COVID-19 health guidelines will be followed
- **Design Review and Historic Preservation Board**, Thursday, 6/10, 6:00pm, 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
- **Parks and Recreation Board**, Thursday, 6/10, 6:30pm, Thornell Farm Park pavilion, 480 Mendon Road; current COVID-19 health guidelines will be followed
- **Planning Board**, Monday, 6/14, 7:00pm, 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
- **Town Board**, Tuesday, 6/15, 6:00pm, Public Meeting Room, Town Hall (lower level), 11 South Main Street; ASL interpretation provided; current COVID-19 health guidelines will be followed
- **Supervisor Saturday with Bill Smith** - join the conversation with Town Supervisor Bill Smith at this casual open house, topics of discussion based upon attendee interest; Saturday, 6/19, 9:00 - 10:00am, Fisher Meeting Room (first floor), Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street. Please note appropriate COVID-19 health guidelines will be followed.

COMMUNITY MEETINGS CALENDAR

- [American Legion Rayson-Miller Post 899](#) Tuesday morning breakfast and socializing, every Tuesday, 8:00-10:00am, Post 899, Pittsford Village Hall lower level, 21 North Main Street; open to all – meet and socialize with veterans; no charge but donations accepted. Eligible veterans welcome to join the Post; click this link for [membership information](#) or visit the [Rayson-Miller Post website](#)

- [Pittsford Rotary Club](#), **WEEKLY MEETINGS HELD VIA ZOOM UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE** due to COVID-19 coronavirus social distancing requirements; check the Pittsford Rotary Facebook page for virtual meeting information.
- [Pittsford Art Group](#) is conducting monthly meetings for members via Zoom and typically displays artwork at the Pittsford Town Hall, Village Hall, The Friendly Home, Star Physical Therapy and the First Presbyterian Church of Pittsford. For further information or to become a member, please visit www.pittsfordartgroup.com or contact PAG president [Margie Mitchell](#)

Town Facility Access

Spiegel Pittsford Community Center: building is open 8:00am - 5:00pm Monday-Thursday, 8:00am - 6:00pm Friday, and 9:00am - 5:00pm Saturday. Senior "Grab N Go" meals will continue every Wednesday and Friday; pickup is at the bus loop behind the Community Center. Registration for low-risk activities and virtual programs begins in advance of each session. See Program Info & Registration link at www.townofpittsford.org/home-recreation. Programs will continue to open as we receive further guidance. Visitors and program participants are expected to observe appropriate COVID-19 physical distancing and face covering guidelines.

Pittsford Community Library: the Library is now open for limited hours and services; enter from the parking lot entrance. The Library also has many online resources, programs and activities for all ages to enjoy. For current Library hours, services, resources, and other updates, visit the Library's update page at <https://www.townofpittsford.org/home-library-covid19-info>. The Book Drop return area is open; please only deposit returned books; for information on book sale donations visit www.pittsfordlibraryfriends.com. Regular due dates for all materials have resumed; check your receipt or your Library account for exact due dates. Low contact pickup of Library materials is available for Monroe County Library System cardholders. Patrons are expected to observe appropriate COVID-19 physical distancing and face covering guidelines.

Town Hall: residents are encouraged to handle business online and by mail, phone, email and the "drop slot" to the right of the front door and at the back door of Town Hall. Calls should be made to the department related to the inquiry. Town Hall is open at reduced capacity; appropriate physical distancing and mask use are required. Those entering Town Hall are expected to observe appropriate COVID-19 physical distancing and face covering guidelines.

Town Clerk: all services of the Town Clerk are available online, by mail, phone and email; residents are encouraged to handle business via these methods if possible. If necessary, an appointment can be arranged. Contact at 248-6210 or 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.

Town Court: Pittsford Town Court sessions are being scheduled on a limited basis. Town Court staff are available via phone and email Monday - Friday from 9:00am - 5:00pm; call (585) 248-6238 or email at pthurber@townofpittsford.org. Visitors must follow appropriate health safety and social distancing requirements for Court appearances and Court Office visits.

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 Town parks are open; all courts are open, all athletic fields are open to groups of 25 individuals or less, and all trails and walkways are accessible. Those using Town parks are expected to observe COVID-19 social distancing and hygiene protocols.

Thornell Farm Park: the park is open and per State requirements, all grass and turf sports fields are open to group activities of 25 individuals or less; 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: the lodges are open for reservations; per State and Federal governments all COVID-19 safety guidelines must be followed while at the lodges. Lodge capacities will adhere to New York State COVID-19 guidelines. Please note COVID-19 social distancing and hygiene protocols are required.

The Mile Post School: the building is closed to the public until further notice, as the site is being used as a Public Works crew operation center.

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 Allen Reitz at areitz@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 guidelines.

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. 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.

COVID-19 Coronavirus Information Links

Further Town of Pittsford COVID-19 coronavirus information and updates can be found at 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

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.

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