

SUPERVISOR'S CORNER

MARCH 2020

I ended my February letter suggesting we must adapt to an ever-changing environment. What may have worked last year may not work this year. Who could have imagined what worked last month would not work this month?

Fortunately, our County and Town are well staffed with seasoned, multi-faceted personnel. Often taken for granted their decades of experience are now becoming increasingly apparent and necessary. I ask for your cooperation in adhering to the safety guidelines from our President on down to our County Health and Emergency Management Offices. Their websites offer the most comprehensive and up to date information.

Our Town Government continues to operate. Please be understanding of the ongoing transitions. Please call ahead for information, use the drop box when possible or continue to use mail or email. Please know we care about you and are making every effort to be accommodating during this difficult time.

Our Highway and Water Department is on a rotating schedule to protect workers and adhere to social distancing. We need to keep them healthy and available to respond in the event of a water emergency or highway matter. Their work is important. Appreciate them.

Our March 16th Town Board Meeting was canceled due to the rapidly changing situation. We intend to hold our next regularly scheduled meeting on April 20th at 7PM. This meeting will be our first teleconference meeting. I will provide notice to all via our Town web site including log in instructions. The meeting agenda will also be posted.

We continue to work on the Town Comprehensive Plan and zoning update. I will submit the grant application in April for the Farmland Protection Plan and hopefully receive the award.

I want to personally thank Legislator Ken DeRoller for his tireless efforts keeping us informed of the rapidly changing situation. His leadership, confidence and insight have been instrumental in this fight. Thankyou Ken for all that you do. We appreciate you.

In conclusion, trust in your local government. They are taking care of us and will continue to do so through the difficult days ahead. We are fortunate to live in this little postage stamp called Orleans County. We are a rural farming community. We have what it takes.

Be well

Joe Sidonio
Supervisor