



The Town of Halfmoon *Navigator*



Fall 2023

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Photo by Alan Kardon



Kevin J. Tollisen
Halfmoon Town Supervisor

Supervisor's Office

From the Desk of Supervisor Kevin J. Tollisen....

Halfmoon Shines In Summer: A Summary of Successes And Enjoyment

As Halfmoon closes the books on another successful summer season, and thoughts turn toward fall, I am happy to share some of our Town's highlights and achievements of summer. Halfmoon had another fantastic season with many wonderful programs and noteworthy events for all.

Another Successful Summer Camp Season

One of our most popular programs was Halfmoon's beloved Summer Camp, which once again provided a safe, supervised, structured, and fun environment for hundreds of children to enjoy. The Summer Camp staff did an amazing job of creating a memorable experience for the campers and their families. Special recognition to Recreation Department Director Ross MacNeil for his outstanding work that makes our Summer Camp the envy of the Capital Region.

2024 Town Budget: No Town Tax

The Town of Halfmoon 2024 enacted budget once again has no Town Tax for residents. This is a remarkable fiscal achievement that reflects our commitment to serving the taxpayers and providing efficient and effective services. Our Town also continues investing in infrastructure, recreation, and economic development. We are proud to be one of the few municipalities in New York State that has no Town Tax and consistently remains in a strong financial position.

Road Paving Projects Completed

Another major Halfmoon summer success was the completion of the road paving project in the Northwood Development, improving the quality and safety of the roads in this neighborhood. In total, we completed close to 6.58 miles of road reconstruction projects, which involved changing culvert pipes and catch basins as needed, resurfacing the roads with new asphalt, and more. We also secured \$1.499 million in BRIDGE NY funding for the replacement of the Button Road Culvert, which will enhance the drainage and flood control in this area.

Additionally, we implemented a new traffic pattern in the form of a four-way stop for the intersection of Woodin Road and Stone Quarry Road. This will reduce congestion, improve traffic flow, and increase driver safety.

Another crucial project was the replacement of a water main on Brigantine Drive, ensuring the reliability and quality of our water supply. This project was completed ahead of schedule and under budget, thanks to the efficiency and professionalism of our Town Team who worked long hours in hot, rainy summer weather to ensure that all summer road projects were completed. Thank you to our Highway Department for always getting the job done, rain or shine.

Special Community Events

We hosted events and programs that enriched our community and promoted our history and culture. One special event was Revolution on the Hudson on July 11 at Lighthouse Park show-casing the rich history and heritage of Halfmoon and the greater Saratoga region during the American Revolutionary War. Revolution on the Hudson was presented by America's Turning Point, a multi-year celebration of Saratoga County's pivotal role in the American Revolution culminating in 2027 with the 250th anniversary of the Battles of Saratoga. It also showcased the Town of Halfmoon's special role in America's War for Independence. I thank our Town Clerk Lynda Bryan and everyone whose efforts and enthusiasm brought this historical event to life.

Another important community event was a free Narcan Training and Distribution on August 15, at the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library. Halfmoon was proud to partner with the Saratoga County Department of Health and the Town of Clifton Park in sponsoring the training. The event provided an opportunity for anyone to learn how to administer Narcan, a life-saving medication that can reverse an opioid overdose and save a life.

Save the Date: Veterans Memorial Ceremony and Luncheon on October 28

Looking ahead, we are excited to announce the Town of Halfmoon's 7th Annual Veterans Memorial Ceremony which will take place at our Veterans Memorial in the Halfmoon Town Park, on Saturday, October 28, at 10 a.m. Following the ceremony, a special luncheon will be held at the park's clubhouse, which can accommodate up to 200 people. Seating is limited and Town residents are requested to RSVP to my office at (518) 371-7410, ext. 2200, by Wednesday, October 25, to confirm attendance.

Food Pantry and Holiday Food Drive

The Halfmoon Food Pantry is a service that provides food assistance to the residents of the Town of Halfmoon. The Town is organizing a Holiday Food Drive to help residents who need food assistance during the festive season. The drive starts on September 25 and will accept food donations for baskets at the Halfmoon Town Hall. The food baskets will be delivered to the recipients on November 18. If you need a Holiday Basket, please call my office at (518) 371-7410, ext. 2200, and register your request. The Holiday Food Drive is a great way to spread joy and kindness throughout our community!

Thanks to our Team for Making Lifetime Memories Happen In Halfmoon

I would like to express my appreciation for our dedicated, hard-working, thoughtful Halfmoon Town Team. I am proud to lead this fantastic team as your Halfmoon Town Supervisor and proud of our accomplishments!



Halfmoon Will Host a Special Veterans Memorial Ceremony and Luncheon on October 28, 2023

By Kevin J. Tollisen, Halfmoon Town Supervisor

As your Town Supervisor, I am honored and humbled to announce a special public event honoring our veterans and their families this fall. The event is Halfmoon's 7th Annual Veterans Memorial Ceremony taking place at the Veterans Memorial in the Halfmoon Town Park (located on Route 236), on Saturday, October 28, at 10 a.m. This annual event is a wonderful way for us to express our profound gratitude and heartfelt appreciation to all the veterans who have served our country and defended our freedom.

During the event, the names of all veterans memorialized on the Memorial Walkway will be read aloud. This year, we are also adding a special luncheon to honor the veterans, their families, and residents. The luncheon will be held on October 28 at the park's clubhouse, which can accommodate up to 200 people. Because seating is limited, Town residents are asked to RSVP to my office at (518) 371-7410, ext. 2200, by Wednesday, October 25, to confirm their attendance.

The Veterans Memorial in Halfmoon Town Park was created as an enduring tribute to the men and women who have served in the armed forces of the United States of America. The memorial features a beautiful granite monument with the names of all the branches of service, a flagpole, with the American flag and the POW/MIA flag, and a brick pathway – the Memorial Walkway – with engraved bricks honoring individual veterans.



Our Halfmoon Veterans Memorial Ceremony is a solemn and respectful occasion. We have proudly featured state and local leaders, veterans' organizations, and community groups participating in this ceremony during years past. We also encourage residents to bring photos or memorabilia of their loved ones who have served or are serving in the military.

This special event is being held in advance of Veterans Day, which is observed November 11, 2023. Veterans Day honors veterans of all wars and was originally called Armistice Day marking the end of World War I on November 11, 1918. In 1954, it was renamed Veterans Day

to include all military veterans who served America. Veterans Day is proudly celebrated with ceremonies, parades, and tributes to veterans across the nation and at Arlington National Cemetery. It is also a poignant day to remember the service and sacrifice of veterans who fought for our freedom and preserved our way of life.

In addition to attending our Veterans Memorial event on October 28, other ways that we can honor America's veterans this Veterans Day, and every day, include flying the United States flag at home, work, or anywhere else; calling or messaging a veteran you know and thank them for their service; sending a card or a care package to a veteran or a deployed service member; and teaching children about the history and significance of Veterans Day and the many sacrifices of our heroic military veterans.

As we approach Veterans Day, let us always remember the service and sacrifice of our veterans who have fought for our freedom and preserved our way of life. And let us honor their courage and commitment with the patriotism and pride that Halfmoon has always displayed.

I hope to see you at our Town of Halfmoon Veterans Memorial Ceremony on October 28. Together, we will celebrate and thank our veterans for their invaluable contributions to our nation and the liberty that we cherish as Americans.

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Believe it or not, the best time for lawn care is the period before your grass goes into its winter dormancy. It is one of the most crucial times of year to tend to your lawn's needs. The weather is getting colder, and the sun is out less, but your lawn can still be healthy if you care for it correctly. When the leaves fall from the trees, should you leave them on your lawn, or should you rake them up and dispose of them?

Leaves Cause Bare Spots

Leaf litter left for too long discourages grass growing and can lead to bare spots. Once Spring rolls around, the turf will be slow to respond, and weeds will undoubtedly take advantage of the bare spots and thin grass.

Leaves Block Light

Sunlight is one of the primary needs for grass to grow favorably. When leaves are allowed to remain on the grass for too long, they block out the sun, and your lawn will start to stress. Fall is the best time of year for grass to recover from the summer. During this time of year is also when many lawns are still getting significant light because tree shade is at a minimum once all the leaves drop.

Leaves Hold Moisture

Leaf litter holds moisture and slows evaporation. If accumulated leaves are allowed to sit for too long, excess moisture will cause decay, and, in conjunction with the lack of sunlight, you will see a decline in the quality of your turf underneath. Excess moisture on your lawn can leave it prone to lawn diseases.

The tulip is one of the world's most beloved flowers. Their shape is easily recognizable, and their bounty of colors offer opportunities for any home décor, celebration, or canvas.

A Few Practical Planting Facts About Tulips

When they bloom: May – June

When to plant them: Typically in the Fall, but can also be planted in late Summer.

Where to plant them: Tulips need to be in the ground for 8 to 15 weeks when temperatures are between 32 and 50 degrees. Tulips should be planted 4 to 6 inches apart from each other. The recommended hole depth is 4 to 6 inches deep and measured from the top of the bulb to the surface. Larger bulbs would require deeper holes. In Spring, tulips prefer at least four hours of sun a day, but do best when not exposed to sun during the hottest part of the day.



If you enjoy the beauty of wildflowers in our area, then you will be excited to learn of a great opportunity we are planning that will include a series of walks in our Town Park with the help of David Behm from Curious by Nature.



These walks will be interactive and will include a digital guide that participants can utilize during the walk on their mobile devices to identify selected plants that are encountered along the route. Stay tuned for more details as the series of walks through the four seasons will begin starting in 2024.

Join the Trails & Open Space Committee!



This volunteer working group appointed by the Town Board is always looking for new members and their input into future trail and open space projects and plans. The vision of the committee is to provide a network of linking trails and pathways both off and on road, as well as conserve unique natural areas and culturally important spaces within Town.

Come join a meeting on October 16th at the Town Hall at 7pm to familiarize yourself with ongoing projects and to provide your insight!

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Halfmoon awarded \$500,000 to begin roundabout design for busy local intersection to improve motorist safety and traffic flow

The Town of Halfmoon announced the great news that it has been awarded \$500,000 in federal transportation funds to study and design a roundabout at one of the Town's most congested intersections, Route 236 and Guideboard Road. The project aims to improve traffic flow and safety at the intersection, which is also close to the intersections of Route 9/Guideboard Road and Route 9/Route 236, respectively.

The funding is only for design and is provided through the New York State Department of Transportation, which also provides technical oversight for the project's design phase. After an expansive solicitation, and careful review of qualified applicant's submissions, the Town ultimately selected Creighton Manning Engineering (CME) as the consultant for the study and design after a competitive solicitation process. The Town held a kickoff and scoping meeting with CME and NYSDOT on July 26, 2023.

According to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), roundabouts are a proven safety countermeasure because they can substantially reduce vehicle crashes that often result in serious injury or death. Roundabouts feature channelized, curved approaches that reduce vehicle speed, entry yield control that gives right-of-way to circulating traffic, and counterclockwise flow around a central island that minimizes conflict points.

Multiple, credible studies have shown that roundabouts are safer than traditional stop signs or traffic signal-controlled intersections. In fact, roundabouts significantly reduced injury crashes where stop signs or traffic signals were previously used for traffic control, according to a study by the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety (IIHS). Studies by the IIHS and the FHWA have also shown that roundabouts typically achieve:

- 37 percent reduction in overall collisions;
- 75 percent reduction in injury collisions;
- 90 percent reduction in fatality collisions; and
- 40 percent reduction in pedestrian collisions.

Furthermore, the lower vehicular speeds and reduced conflict environment can create a more suitable environment for walking and bicycling.

Roundabouts can be successfully implemented in both urban and rural areas under a wide range of traffic conditions. They can replace signals, two-way stop controls, and all-way stop controls. Roundabouts are an effective option for managing speed and transitioning traffic from high-speed to low-speed environments, such as freeway interchange ramp terminals, and rural intersections along high-speed, heavy-traffic roads.

Halfmoon Town Supervisor Kevin Tollisen said that the Town has been committed to this project for several years and looks forward to its realization. "This intersection has been one of the top traffic improvements that our Town Board and I have prioritized for years," Supervisor Tollisen said. "We are grateful for the federal funding that will allow us to move forward with the design phase." Richard Harris, Coordinator of Town of Halfmoon Building, Planning and Development, explained that the Town first initiated a feasibility study in 2019 to explore the possibility of a roundabout at the intersection. "We found that a roundabout would be a viable option to address the traffic issues and enhance safety at this location," Coordinator Harris said. "We will work to secure funding in the near future for the actual construction of improvements that come out of this study and design phase made possible with the \$500,000 in federal funding."

The Town of Halfmoon will continue to update the public on the progress of the roundabout design project through its website and social media platforms. The Town welcomes feedback and input from residents and stakeholders on this important infrastructure initiative.



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A Summer to Remember: *Halfmoon Summer Camp 2023 Was A Season* *of Adventure and Learning*

Ross MacNeil, Recreation Director, Town of Halfmoon

The Town of Halfmoon celebrated another successful summer camp season in 2023, with hundreds of children enjoying a variety of activities, trips, and experiences. Our Halfmoon Summer Camp, which ran from June 26 to August 4, offered six weeks of safe, supervised, and structured activities with plenty of friendship, fun, learning, and creativity for summer campers.

Our summer camp was held at Halfmoon Town Park and Pavilion, where campers had access to playgrounds, sports fields, pavilions, and a splash pad. The camp organized field trips to destinations and campers also participated in special events.

The staff for our Halfmoon Summer Camp consisted of dedicated and enthusiastic counselors, directors, and supervisors who ensured the safety and well-being of the campers. Our staff also planned and implemented daily arts and crafts activities, sports games, and educational programs that catered to the interests and abilities of the campers.



Halfmoon Summer Camp was open to both residents and non-residents of the town, with convenient online registration beginning on April 24. The cost for residents was \$350 for the first child and \$300 for the second or more children. The cost for non-residents was \$700. Halfmoon Summer Camp also offered extended hours from 7 to 9 a.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. for an additional fee.

I am pleased to share that our 2023 Halfmoon Summer Camp season has received positive feedback from both parents and campers, who praised the quality of the staff, the variety of the activities, and the fun and welcoming atmosphere of the camp. Many campers said they made new friends and learned new skills at the camp.

Some of the important life lessons that summer camp attendees learned included:

- Teamwork
- Independence
- Resilience
- Creativity
- Curiosity
- Friendship

The Halfmoon Summer Camp 2023 season was a memorable and wonderful experience for all involved. The Town of Halfmoon Recreation Department thanks the parents, and campers, for their participation and support that has made our program such a success. Our Town Recreation Department which I am honored to lead will start planning for the 2024 Summer Camp season soon. We can't wait to see our campers again next year!

SUMMER CAMP 2023

We had a memorable, safe and fun six week program this summer. We brought fun to camp every day. Check out some of the photos from our fun filled summer. We hope to see everyone back next year!



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Halfmoon Secures \$1.499 Million BRIDGE NY Grant for Button Road Culvert Replacement

Special Infrastructure Update for The Navigator

The Town of Halfmoon was recently awarded a \$1.499 million grant from New York State to replace the Button Road Culvert, which is an aging structure in need of significant renovation. The project is expected to start in the spring or summer of 2024 and improve the resiliency and safety of the Town's infrastructure.

The valuable grant was awarded through the state's BRIDGE NY initiative, which provides funding to local governments for the rehabilitation and replacement of bridges and culverts across the state. The initiative aims to combat climate change, enhance regional economic competitiveness, and support all phases of project delivery.

The Town of Halfmoon was one of 141 local governments that, collectively, received a total of \$516 million in enhanced assistance for 216 approved projects under the BRIDGE NY initiative. The initiative is part of the state's historic \$32.8 billion capital plan adopted last year, which committed \$1 billion to BRIDGE NY, effectively doubling the program's size.

Halfmoon Town Supervisor Kevin Tollisen expressed his gratitude to Governor Kathy Hochul and State Department of Transportation Commissioner Marie Therese Dominguez for recognizing the importance of the Button Road Culvert project.

"This funding award is wonderful news for the Town of Halfmoon as it will help strengthen our critical infrastructure and assist us in moving forward with this important culvert replacement project," Supervisor Tollisen said.

Supervisor Tollisen added that the Halfmoon Highway Department will update residents on the project's status via the Town website and that he looks forward to the successful completion of the project.

The Town of Halfmoon invites residents to learn more about the Button Road Culvert replacement project by visiting the Town website: <https://www.townofhalfmoon-ny.gov/>.

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Halfmoon Opens Two New Pickleball Courts

If you are looking for a fun, new way to enjoy the outdoors, exercise, and socialize with your friends and Halfmoon neighbors, you might want to try pickleball, the fastest-growing sport in America. And now, you have two more great reasons to play pickleball in Halfmoon, as the Town has established two additional pickleball courts adjacent to existing courts at the Town Plaza.



Pickleball is a paddle sport that was invented in 1965 by three fathers to help entertain their bored children by using a badminton net, table tennis paddles, and a wiffle ball. The year 1972 saw the first pickleball tournament held and the sport soon began gaining greater recognition throughout America. Pickleball is easy to learn and fun to play for people of all ages and skill levels and can be played on a court that is about a quarter of the size of a tennis court.

Pickleball provides many benefits for physical and mental health. It can improve cardiovascular fitness, blood pressure, cholesterol, and lung function while burning up to 600 calories per hour. It can also enhance hand-eye coordination, agility, and muscular endurance by requiring fast-paced movements and split-second decision-making. Moreover, it can boost your mood, reduce stress, and lower your risk of depression as a fun and social activity that connects you with others.

In recognition of our residents' growing interest in pickleball, the Town has taken steps to provide more opportunities and facilities for this popular sport. On Monday, July 24, 2023, the Town made available two new pickleball courts at the Town Plaza. They will remain open until November 1, 2023.



The new courts (4 and 5) were added to our Town's online reservation platform located on our website under the Parks Department page. Online registration provides Halfmoon residents with a fast and effective way to reserve a pickleball court and enjoy this fun pastime that has grown into a national phenomenon. The new courts are part of Halfmoon's ongoing commitment to enhancing the quality of life and well-being of Town residents.

Whether you are a beginner or an expert, young or old, this fun and exciting sport brings people together for an activity that promotes health, well-being, and friendship. Come and join the fun on the Town's new pickleball courts!



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Halfmoon Strong:

Town Receives \$66,995.30 in Federal Funding for COVID-19 Response

Special update for the Halfmoon Navigator

The Town of Halfmoon has been awarded \$66,995.30 in federal funding for its COVID-19 response efforts. The funding is part of the disaster assistance program that reimburses local governments for eligible expenses incurred during the pandemic. The funding will help ensure that the Town can recoup some of the funding it utilized to strengthen, support, and safeguard families.

The Town used funds to purchase essential supplies and equipment to protect the health and safety of its residents and staff throughout the COVID-19 crisis. These included cleaning supplies, masks, gloves, food, and personal hygiene products for those in need while sheltering at home; air purifiers and glass/plexiglass barriers for transaction areas; and force account materials for sanitation and disinfection.

Halfmoon Town Supervisor Kevin Tollisen said the Town was grateful to the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES) and the Federal government for recognizing its efforts and providing the much-needed reimbursement funding.

Supervisor Tollisen also praised the Town residents for their support and assistance during the pandemic. "The COVID-19 pandemic was a challenging time for our community, state, and nation, but we never gave up on our mission to continue serving our residents and help protect their health, safety, and well-being. The Town of Halfmoon pulled together like a family and helped one another during the crisis, and we are proud of our resilience and recovery. We are, and always will be, Halfmoon strong," Supervisor Tollisen said.

The beloved saying "We are Halfmoon strong," reflects the Town's enduring spirit of unity and cooperation in the face of adversity. The Town was especially proactive in responding to the COVID-19 pandemic since it began in early 2020. The Town implemented various measures to prevent the spread of the virus, such as promoting social distancing, providing testing sites, offering online services, and supporting local businesses.



During the pandemic, many examples of Halfmoon's special sense of community and resiliency emerged. Residents pulled together to help one another in various ways, such as donating food, or supplies to those in need; supporting local small businesses that were shut down by the state government, volunteering for essential services or humanitarian causes; checking on their neighbors or relatives; offering support; sharing their skills or talents; or expressing their gratitude or appreciation.

These acts of kindness, generosity, solidarity, and compassion demonstrated that even in the darkest times, Halfmoon continues to shine a bright light of hope, resilience, and community. Halfmoon is a special place where neighbors help and care for one another.

The Town has also been active in providing relief and assistance to its residents who have been impacted by the pandemic. It organized food drives, delivered nutritious meals to seniors, donated masks and gloves to frontline workers, and much more.

The Town will seek authorized reimbursement for any additional eligible expenses it incurred related to the pandemic from state and federal agencies.

For more information about the Town's COVID-19 response efforts and successfully securing \$66,995.30 in Federal funding for reimbursable expenses related to the pandemic, contact the Town Supervisor's office at (518) 371-7410 ext. 2200. You can also visit the Town's website at <https://www.townofhalfmoon-ny.gov/>.

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Election Day History

The First Presidential Election was held in 1789 with George Washington being unanimously elected President. On April 30, 1789, at Federal Hall in New York City, Washington took the Presidential Oath of Office.

When did the current Election Day process start?

In 1845 Congress passed a federal law designating the 1st Tuesday following the 1st Monday in November as Election Day. Previously, states were allowed to hold elections any time they pleased within a 34- day period before the 1st Wednesday in December, a process with many flaws.

Why do we vote on Tuesdays?

In the 1800s, most Americans worked as farmers and lived far from their polling place. Traveling to a polling location took a day or two and on roads that weren't paved. Weekends were impractical, since most people spent Sundays in church, and Wednesday was market day for farmers. So, Tuesday was selected as the most convenient day of the week to hold elections.

Why is Election Day always in November?

Farm culture also explains why Election Day always falls in November. Spring and summer elections would interfere with the planting season, and late summer and early fall elections overlapped with the harvest. That left the month of November — after the harvest was complete, but before the arrival of harsh winter weather — as the best choice.

What are Halfmoon's earliest Election records?

Records that date back to 1847. Included in these records are the **Poll Lists** of residents who were allowed to vote and their signatures, similar to the Voting Books, and the **Canvass of Votes**, the results of the Election and **Civil War Proxies**, signed affidavits by soldiers appointing someone to "cast for me and in my name and stead...my vote or ballot, the same as if I was personally present at the election".



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Town of Halfmoon Hours of Operation

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Justice Clerk's Office (check web site for Court times)

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Highway Department (Located on Route 146)

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Welcome

Senior Center

Ross MacNeil, Town of Halfmoon Recreation Director



The Halfmoon Senior Center: A Place for Fun, Friendship, and Learning

The Town of Halfmoon provides many wonderful programs, policies, and services that help residents and enhance our special quality of life. One of the most important resources is our Halfmoon Senior Center, a vibrant and welcoming place for senior citizens to gather together and enjoy a variety of activities, events, and programs.

We are looking forward to our upcoming events, Oktoberfest at the Log Cabin on October 10, and a Holiday Bazaar on November 18. New and upcoming classes at the Halfmoon Senior Center will feature Memoirs, Yard Games, Open Paint, and Ceramics. Our Halfmoon Senior Center also offers a wide range of activities and classes for seniors to choose from. Pinochle, Dominoes, Mah Jongg, and Poker are very popular. Poker is played on Monday at 11:30 a.m., Pinochle is played on Tuesday at 12:30 a.m., and Mah Jongg and Dominoes are played on Friday at 12:30 p.m.



Our craft group meets every Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., ideas are shared, specialties are made, and fun is had by all, supplies and reference materials are provided. The group is open to ideas and always looking for new projects. Craft items made are sold at the Center's various fundraisers to help support activities.

Bingo is held on the second and third Wednesday of every month at 1:00 p.m., with a special Bingo held when there is a fifth Wednesday in a month. Cards are \$1 each with one free card for the first card purchased. (Bingo is for members only).



The Center also provides nutritious and delicious meals for Halfmoon senior citizens every weekday at noon. The meals are prepared by the Saratoga County Office for the Aging and are served by volunteers from the Halfmoon Senior Citizen's Association. Ensuring that senior citizens across our community have access to nutritious, delicious meals remains a top priority.

The Halfmoon Senior Center is more than just a facility for seniors to have fun and learn. It is also a place where seniors can make new friends, learn new things, find support, and feel valued and included. The Center strives to create a positive and respectful environment where senior citizens can enjoy their golden years to the fullest. We welcome feedback and suggestions from seniors on how to improve our services and programs.

We are always looking for new members and volunteers to join our Senior Center community. Individuals interested in volunteering can visit the Center's webpage – www.townofhalfmoon-ny.gov/senior-center – call (518) 371-3892 or stop by the Center during regular operating hours. We are located at 287 Lower Newtown Road. The Center also publishes a monthly newsletter that features a calendar of events, a menu of meals, announcements, photos, and more.

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Dept. of Building, Planning & Development

Is a Building Permit required?



In recent years, it seems more and more homeowners are looking for ways to improve and upgrade their home instead of buying a new home. More people work from home than ever before, and many folks take time off for “staycations”. This has led to an increase in existing home construction projects like additions, basements remodels or outside improvements like pools, pool houses and additional garage space. In almost all cases, the New York State building codes and Halfmoon Town Code require a building permit. A Building Permit, along with the required inspections by the Department of Building, Planning & Development, helps ensure all construction is built safely and complies with all governing building and fire code requirements.

Listed below are typical items that require a permit, but this is not a complete list.

- Pools (above and in-ground) and hot tubs/spas; this includes the small inflatable pools often purchased at big box retailers. Fences or other security devices and alarms are also required and a final inspection by this Department must be performed before a pool or spa may be occupied.
- Sheds, car ports, pole barns, tool shops, gazebos & detached garages
- Decks
- Generators
- Finished basements
- Fireplaces
- Solar panels
- Roofs
- New water heaters & furnaces
- Lawn sprinklers
- Septic systems
- Most electrical-related work
- Demolition of structures

The best way to find out if you need a permit is to contact the Halfmoon Building, Planning & Development Department at **(518) 371-7410 x 2259**:

PLEASE NOTE: All Building Permits require a follow-up final inspection to close out the project, and some need inspections at various points during construction. Failure to close a building permit can result in a Notice of Violation or Appearance Ticket. You must contact the Department of Building, Planning & Development to schedule a final inspection and any other necessary inspections during construction. Please call the Department of Building, Planning & Development at (518) 371-7410 x.2259 and we will be happy to be of service to you.



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Halfmoon Recreation

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Halfmoon Celebrations Events www.halfmooncelebrations.org



Paulie's Pizza Served Up a Slice of Happiness for Halfmoon Summer Campers

By Ross MacNeil, Recreation Director, Town of Halfmoon

Pizza and summer: two great things that are even better together and help make the summertime season so special, memorable, and enjoyable. For six weeks this summer, more than 200 Halfmoon summer campers enjoyed a delicious and nutritious lunch every day, thanks to Paulie's Pizza, a proud business sponsor and strong supporter of our popular Summer Camp program. Ask any parent and they will share the necessity of keeping children's fuel tanks full so they have the energy and enthusiasm to enjoy all the sun and fun that a Halfmoon summer offers. Paulie's Pizza did exactly that by providing a variety of choices for the Town of Halfmoon Summer Camp attendees, including pizza, turkey subs, and chicken tenders and fries – all at a very affordable cost.



Paulie's Pizza is passionate about making high-quality pizza with the freshest ingredients and authentic recipes. They also care about giving back to the community and supporting local causes, such as our Town's popular Summer Camp program.

The Halfmoon Summer Camp program is run by our Halfmoon Recreation Department and offers a range of activities for children. It promotes the physical, social, and emotional development and well-being of children through sports, arts, crafts, games, and field trips.

The Halfmoon Recreation Department would like to thank Paulie's Pizza for their generous sponsorship and their delicious food. Paulie's Pizza is not only a great place to eat, but also a true partner for the Halfmoon community. Please consider stopping in at Paulie's at 1603 Rt. 9, call them at (518) 373-2038, or check them out online at www.pauliespizzaonline.com.

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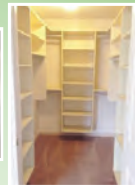
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Assessor's Office

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Senior Citizens Real Property Tax Exemption Updates

As part of the New York State budget, Governor Hochul redefined income for the purposes of the senior citizen real property tax exemption (RP-467). The update applies for applications received for the 2024 school tax bill and the 2025 January tax bill.

*Income is now defined as the **federal adjusted gross income of all owners and their spouses, plus any social security benefits not included in the federal adjusted gross income, less any taxable IRA distributions that were included in the federal adjusted gross income. In addition, the update enacted loss limitations for exemption purposes.***

The applicant cannot include more than \$3,000 for any category (e.g. Form 1040 Schedules C, D, E or F). In addition, the applicant cannot include more than \$15,000 in total losses for exemption purposes.

governmental or private retirement or pension plans • annuity payments (excluding amounts representing a return of capital) • alimony or support money • unemployment insurance payments, disability payments, workers' compensation, etc.



Renewal notices will be sent out in December for anyone already on this program. If you believe you qualify for this exemption, please visit our office or call us at (518) 371-7410 ext. 2244. All applications and required paperwork are due by March 1, 2024.

The Assessor's office wishes everyone Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year!

Anne Marie Zarelli, Sole Assessor

Thank you to all of the businesses who make this newsletter possible!

The owner eligibility requirements and income limits remain the same and are:

- The property must be the "legal residence" of, and must be occupied by, all of the owners of the property.
- At least one owner, must be 65 by March 1, 2024.
- You must own the property for at least 12 consecutive months prior to the date of filing for the exemption.
- There can be no school age children residing in the home to receive the benefit off of the school tax bill.
- The life tenant is entitled to possession and use of the property for the duration of his or her life and is deemed the owner for all purposes, including taxation. The exemption also may be allowed if the property is in trust and all the trustees or all the beneficiaries qualify.
- Homes in mobile home parks are not eligible as you do not receive your own tax bill. Income limits:

Taxing Jurisdiction	Maximum Gross Income Limit
Saratoga County	\$35,700
Mechanicville School District	\$14,700
Shenendehowa School District	\$37,400
Waterford-Halfmoon School District	\$34,700

Please note that none of the taxing jurisdictions allow for medical expenses to be deducted from income.

Applications will require the 2022 federal tax return(s) including the Schedule 1, as well as, all the 1099's from the Social Security Administration for all owners and their spouses.

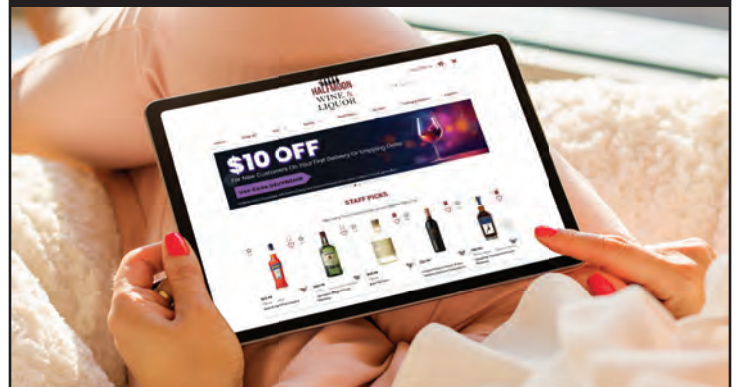
If you are no longer required to file, we require all 1099 income statements that show:

- all Social Security payments • salary and wages (including bonuses)
- interest (including nontaxable interest on state or local bonds), total dividends • net earnings from farming, rentals, business or profession (if any amounts have been claimed as depreciation for income tax purposes, they must be added back in) • income from estates or trusts
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Animal Control

Beth Abramson, Animal Control Officer

Vaccinations and Your Pet

Many people are confused by exactly what vaccinations their dogs and cats require, when they should begin to receive them, and with what frequency. To further complicate the issue, the vaccines required for puppies and kittens, in order to protect them from some very serious diseases, are given on different schedules than the adult pet vaccines. Here is some information to help keep them healthy and on track.*

Puppy/Dog Vaccination Schedule

Age	Recommended	Optional as Recommended by Veterinarian
6-8 weeks	Distemper, parvovirus	Bordetella
10-12 weeks	DHPP (distemper, hepatitis, parainfluenza & parvovirus)	Influenza, Leptospirosis, Bordetella, Lyme
16 weeks	DHPP, rabies**	Influenza, Leptospirosis, Bordetella, Lyme
12-16 months	DHPP, rabies**	Coronavirus, Leptospirosis, Bordetella, Lyme
Every 1-2 years	DHPP	Influenza, Coronavirus, Leptospirosis, Bordetella, Lyme
Every 1 or 3 years ¹	Rabies**	

Kitten/Cat Vaccination Schedule

Age	Recommended	Optional as Recommended by Vet
6-8 weeks	Feline viral rhinotracheitis, calicivirus & panleukopenia (FVRCP); Feline leukemia virus (FeLV)	Feline leukemia virus (FeLV) Bordetella
10-12 weeks	FVRCP booster; FeLV booster	
14-16 weeks	FVRCP booster; rabies**	
1 year	Rabies**	
3 year	FVRCP, Rabies**	

**Required by law.



Saratoga County sponsors free Rabies vaccination clinics each year. The clinics are held at the 4-H Training Facility at 556 Middleline Road, Ballston Spa, NY 12020. The rabies vaccination clinic dates are always posted on the Saratoga County Animal Shelter's website <https://saratogacountyanimalshelter.com/> under the heading of services.

Cats & Ferrets (must be in carriers) 5:30-6:30pm

Dogs (must be on leash) 6:30-7:30pm

*Of course, your veterinarian should always be consulted.

¹ Depending on whether animal has been kept current on rabies and vaccination certificate available.

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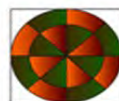
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Highway Department

By Bill Bryans, Superintendent of Highways, Town of Halfmoon

As summer comes to an end, I'd like to share some of our accomplishments this summer. We've been working hard maintaining our roads, strengthening infrastructure, and preparing for winter.

Road Reconstruction Projects

This summer, we completed close to 6.58 miles of road reconstruction projects, by changing culvert pipes and catch basins as needed and resurfacing roads with new asphalt. These projects ensure safe, well-maintained roadways necessary to preserve and protect our special quality of life. Roads that we reconstructed include South Main St.; Covington Dr.; Meldon Ct; Lancaster Ct; Manchester Drive; Adsit Lane; Newcastle Road; Cambridge Avenue; Dover Place; Suffolk Ct; Cindy Ln; Deer Run Hollow; Christine Ct; Jason Ln; Devoe Dr; Margaret Ct; Kasper Dr, and McBride Rd, respectively. We still have a few more roads to finish before winter arrives. We appreciate your patience and cooperation as we work to further improve our infrastructure!



Road Maintenance and Safety



In addition to road reconstruction, our Highway Department handled various day-to-day issues that residents advised us of. Our team also continues to do routine, but essential maintenance items such as tree trimming; roadside mowing; shoulder repairs; pothole repairs; storm drain cleaning; street sweeping; storm drain repairs; sign repairs; and transfer station duties.

These activities ensure the safety and functionality of our local roads. According to the U.S. EPA, safe roads can have a positive impact on economic development by reducing costs, increasing productivity, enhancing land values, and supporting local businesses. Moreover, safe roads can prevent injuries and fatalities by providing sufficient accommodation for all travelers, including pedestrians, bicyclists, public transportation users, and drivers - all critical priorities!

Winter Preparation

As we begin to wind down our summer operations, we are already beginning to prepare for the winter season. Our skilled Highway Department Mechanics continue to provide routine maintenance to our large fleet of vehicles to ensure their readiness for use. Regular maintenance helps ensure our equipment is in proper order and helps save taxpayer dollars over the long term.

As a reminder for this upcoming winter season, please follow these tips to help us keep our roads clear and safe:

- Please make sure lawn markers are two feet back from edge of the road, so we do not hit them;
- Garbage cans should be in your driveway, not in the road.
We do not want to hit them; and
- Please do not park on the road during inclement weather,
this can result in delays with snow removal or potentially cause an accident.



Contact Us

If you have any questions or need our assistance, please call us at (518) 664-3127, or email me at bbryans@townofhalfmoon.org. We are always happy to hear from you and continue serving you.

In closing, I would like to thank the Halfmoon Highway Team for their professionalism and hard work throughout the year, especially during the hot summer months when a majority of our road reconstruction and resurfacing projects take place. Our Highway Team worked with skill and efficiency in advancing multiple projects and is committed to serving Town residents with excellence, pride, and dedication. I would also like to thank you, our wonderful residents, for your support and understanding as we work together to keep Halfmoon a great place to live. YOU are the reason we do what we do, and are our #1 priority!

Bill Bryans, Superintendent of Highways, Town of Halfmoon

Receiver of Taxes

Water Bills, Conservation Tips, and More:

A Special Message from Halfmoon Receiver of Taxes Dana Cunniff

Happy Fall to Navigator readers! I am happy to provide you with this update on important issues that my office manages.

Water Billing Update and Conservation Tips

I hope you had a wonderful summer and are enjoying the beautiful colors of the vibrant autumn foliage. The water bills for the Town of Halfmoon were mailed out by October 1. This bill usually reflects higher water usage during the summer months, when homeowners wash cars, fill pools, and sprinkle their lawns. While summer is a wonderful time of the year, it can also be costly if we don't pay careful attention to water consumption. The following are some water conservation tips to consider:



- Turn off your sprinkler system when it rains or when your lawn is already green and healthy;
 - Turn off the tap when you are brushing your teeth, shaving, or washing your hands. You can save up to 10 gallons of water per day by doing this;
 - Install low-flow showerheads and faucets or use aerators to reduce the amount of water coming out of the tap, saving up to 50% of water and energy by using these devices; and
 - Collect rainwater in barrels/buckets and use it to water your plants, wash your car, and more.
- You can save up to 1,300 gallons of water per year by harvesting rainwater.

Water Bills Due by November 1

Please note that the October water bills are due **NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 1**. This means that it must be paid by November 1, or it will be automatically added to your 2024 Property Tax bill on November 2 - **NO EXCEPTIONS**. If your taxes are paid by your mortgage company, they'll increase your mortgage payment accordingly.

Tips for Paying Bills on Time

When sending in payment, please remember to write your phone number on the check. This way, if there is any problem with the check (a missing signature or a wrong amount entered) we can contact you right away and avoid penalties for late payment. Additionally, don't wait until the last minute to pay your bill over the phone. We only have two people in our office and may not be able to handle all the calls on time. Paying early ensures it is received/processed on time.

You can also pay your water bill online, but you will need to know what your last payment amount was. This is the security question that the online system will ask you. If you don't remember this amount, you can always call our office and we will look it up for you. Again, please don't call on the last day of collections - we may not be able to answer all the calls.

Thank You for Being Part of Our Community

My office is here to help you with any questions or concerns. If we don't have the answer for you, we will find it or direct you to the correct Town department that can assist you. Thank you for the opportunity to continue serving you.

Dana A. Cunniff - Receiver of Taxes
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Halfmoon Transfer Station and Recycling Center: What You Need to Know

By William Bryans, Halfmoon Superintendent of Highways, Caretaker of Halfmoon Transfer Station

Dear Residents,

As many *Navigator* readers know, Halfmoon operates a Transfer Station and Recycling Center for the convenience of Town residents. This facility is located at 322 Route 146 at the Highway Department facility and is open three days a week: Tuesdays from 8 a.m. to noon, Fridays from noon to 5 p.m., and Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

To use this facility, you need a permit that you can obtain from the Town Clerk's Office free of charge with proof of residency. You can bring the following items to the Transfer Station and Recycling Center:

- **Household trash (with a punch card);**
- **Recyclables;**
- **Brush and lawn debris;**
- **Electronics (CRT TVs there is a charge according to size);**
- **Tires (Fee according to size); and**
- **Metal**

We are also proud to announce that we are now a paint care drop-off facility. We accept most paints and stains free of charge. Please go to our website for more information or just ask one of our friendly transfer station attendants.

Halfmoon strives to continue offering a facility that operates efficiently and sustainably. The revenue collected from user fees helps offset the expenses required to operate the facility. For more information, please visit www.townofhalfmoon-ny.gov or call me, Halfmoon Highway Superintendent Bill Bryans, at (518) 664-3127.

Thank you for your cooperation and support!

Sincerely,

Bill Bryans,
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11
NOV**

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Donation box is located at the front entrance of the Town Hall. Needed: Instant Potatoes, Stuffing Mix, Gravy/Gravy Mix, Dessert Mix, Muffin Mix, Soup, canned cranberries. Donations collected until November 11th. Items will be made into holiday baskets and delivered to local seniors and families in need.

**7
OCT**

SKI PROGRAM

Learn to Ski/Snowboard program will begin in January 2024 at Willard Mountain and will run for 6 consecutive Saturdays (weather permitting). Registration forms will be available in the Recreation Office or on our website starting in October. Everyone ages 8 to adult are welcome to participate.

**28
OCT**

TRUNK OR TREAT

Dress up in your favorite costume and join us for Halloween family fun! Our "Trick or Treaters" will stay in the car and drive through the decorated park. Local businesses & community groups will provide treats from decorated trunks.

**1
DEC**

LETTERS TO SANTA

Santa's mailbox will be installed outside the front doors of the Town Hall from December 1st to December 1th for children to mail their letters to Santa Claus. Children will get a response from Jolly Old Saint Nick and a special surprise just for them! Please remember to include a self addressed stamped legal size envelope. This must be included for a child to receive an answer from Santa!

For more information please contact Ross MacNeil, Recreation Director(518) 371-7410 x2272 or rmacneil@townofhalfmoon.org



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October

- 2 Zoning Board Pre-Meeting ~ 6:45 p.m. ~ Town Hall
Zoning Board Meeting ~ 7:00 p.m. ~ Town Hall
- 4 Town Board Pre-Meeting ~ 6:15 p.m. ~ Town Hall
Town Board Meeting ~ 7:00 p.m. ~ Town Hall
Farmers Market ~ 3:00 p.m.– 6:00 p.m.~ Town Hall
- 7 **Erie Canal Trail Walk ~ 10:30 a.m.**
Ski Program Registration forms available in Recreation Office~ Town Hall
- 9 **HOLIDAY~ All Town offices are closed**
- 10 Planning Board Pre-Meeting ~ 6 p.m. ~ Town Hall
Planning Board Meeting ~ 7 p.m. ~ Town Hall
- 11 Comprehensive Plan Update Committee Meeting ~ 6:00 p.m. ~ Town Hall
Farmers Market ~ 3:00 p.m.– 6:00 p.m.~ Town Hall
- 16 Trails and Open Space Meeting ~ 7 p.m. ~ Town Hall
- 18 Town Board Pre-Meeting ~ 6:15 p.m. ~ Town Hall
Town Board Meeting ~ 7:00 p.m. ~ Town Hall
Farmers Market ~ 3:00 p.m.– 6:00 p.m.~ Town Hall
- 21 Historical Building Open~ 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- 23 Planning Board Pre-Meeting ~ 6 p.m. ~ Town Hall
Planning Board Meeting ~ 7 p.m. ~ Town Hall
- 25 **Farmers Market ~ 3:00 p.m.– 6:00 p.m.~ Town Hall**
- 28 **Veterans Memorial Brick Ceremony & Luncheon ~ 10 a.m. ~ Town Park**
Trunk or Treat ~ 5 p.m.– 7 p.m. ~ Town Park



November

- 1 Town Board Pre-Meeting ~ 6:15 p.m. ~ Town Hall
Town Board Meeting ~ 7:00 p.m. ~ Town Hall
Farmers Market ~ 3:00 p.m.– 6:00 p.m.~ Town Hall
- 5 **Daylight Savings time ends**
- 6 Zoning Board Pre-Meeting ~ 6:45 p.m. ~ Town Hall
Zoning Board Meeting ~ 7:00 p.m. ~ Town Hall
- 8 **Farmers Market ~ 3:00 p.m.– 6:00 p.m.~ Town Hall**
- 10 **HOLIDAY ~ All Town offices are closed**
- 13 Planning Board Pre-Meeting ~ 6 p.m. ~ Town Hall
Planning Board Meeting ~ 7 p.m. ~ Town Hall
- 15 Town Board Pre-Meeting ~ 6:15 p.m. ~ Town Hall
Town Board Meeting ~ 7:00 p.m. ~ Town Hall
Farmers Market ~ 3:00 p.m.– 6:00 p.m.~ Town Hall
- 18 **Thanksgiving Food Basket delivery to homes**
- 18 Historical Building Open~ 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- 22 **Farmers Market ~ 3:00 p.m.– 6:00 p.m.~ Town Hall**
- 23 **HOLIDAY ~ All Town offices are closed**
- 24 **HOLIDAY ~ All Town offices are closed**
- 27 Planning Board Pre-Meeting ~ 6 p.m. ~ Town Hall
Planning Board Meeting ~ 7 p.m. ~ Town Hall



December

- 1 **Letters to Santa Mailbox open ~ Town Hall**
- 2 **Jingle Bell Bash ~ Noon-4 p.m. ~ Town Complex**
- 3 **Holiday Memories Tree Lighting ~ 5:00 p.m. ~ Abele Park**
- 4 Zoning Board Pre-Meeting ~ 6:45 p.m. ~ Town Hall
Zoning Board Meeting ~ 7:00 p.m. ~ Town Hall
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Town Board Meeting ~ 7:00 p.m. ~ Town Hall
- 7 Comprehensive Plan Update Committee Meeting ~ 6:00 p.m. ~ Town Hall
- 11 Planning Board Pre-Meeting ~ 6 p.m. ~ Town Hall
Planning Board Meeting ~ 7 p.m. ~ Town Hall
- 15 **An Evening with Mrs. Claus ~ 6:00 p.m. ~ Town Hall**
- 16 **Marketplace on Candy Cane Lane ~11 a.m. – 3 p.m. ~ Town Hall**
- 17 **Santa Mailbox closes ~ Town Hall**
- 20 Town Board Pre-Meeting ~ 6:15 p.m. ~ Town Hall
Town Board Meeting ~ 7:00 p.m. ~ Town Hall
- 25 **HOLIDAY~ All Town offices are closed**
- 27 **Red Cross Blood Drive~ Town Hall**



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