

SUPERVISOR'S CORNER

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Thank you Murray residents for your patience and cooperation during this difficult time. It is through your sacrifices that we remain safe and relatively low on the charts for Covid-19. While the sunny days of summer are fast approaching let's not let our guard down and please continue following social distancing guidelines.

Our Town government continues to function effectively. Although our doors are locked, our commitment to community remains steadfast. Please continue to use the drop box for those of you who prefer walk up service. Call ahead for an appointment if necessary. Fortunately, our staff remains healthy to serve you.

The Comprehensive Plan Committee continues to meet monthly. The Farmland Protection Grant Application has been submitted.

The Highway and Water Department are back to full strength and plan to complete the work planned for this year despite the pandemic. The Governor's budget suggests massive cutbacks to Counties and Municipalities. It is imperative we rein in spending and cut cost where possible while providing the necessary services to the Town. Efficiency is the name of the game and necessary during the financially dark days ahead.

Our Bookkeeping Firm EFPR Solutions, has filed our Annual Update Document (Financial Statements) with the State. Overall, we are in pretty good financial shape. However, our Water Department lost \$24,500.00 in 2018 & \$36,037.00 in 2019. The results for the 1st Qtr. of 2020 are under review and I am waiting on the action plan from our Water Superintendent.

At our Town board meeting the board appointed Randy Bower to fill the vacant seat left by Neil Valentine. While Mr. Valentine is missed, Randy brings a lot to the table. Welcome Randy.

I would like to offer my apologies to those of you who suffered through the first Town Zoom meeting. It was nothing less than a calamity. I take full responsibility and have removed myself from the controls appointing our Clerk to the helm. Those of you who wish to join the meeting the link will be posted on the Town Homepage. Our next meeting is scheduled for May 18th at 7PM.

If there is anything I can do please call.

Joe Sidonio
Supervisor

