January Meeting Calendar

- 4 & 19 Village Bd. Mtg.
- 6 Cons. Adv. Council
- 11 BOT Work Session
- **12 & 26** Planning Bd. Mtg.
- 12 Rec. Advisory Comm.
- 13 Bus. Dev. Comm.
- 13 Zoning Bd. Mtg.
- 20 Bike/Ped Comm.
- 24 Sustainability Comm.
- 26 Fire Council

All meetings are being held via Zoom. Please check the Village website or call 271-4848 for details on joining meetings via Zoom.

Village Board meetings are also broadcast live on Face-





Have you joined the Village on Social Media yet?

Facebook: Search for Village of Croton-on-Hudson Government Twitter: Search for VillageCroton Instagram: Search for VillageofCroton

Sign up for Village emails by going to crotononhudsonny.gov.

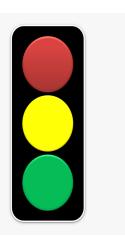
Stay connected!

Update on Croton Point Avenue Project

The Croton Point Avenue project is almost at completion. The line striping was completed during the month of November.

The last item that remains is the installation of the traffic signal poles. These, once installed, will control vehicles exiting from Route 9 onto Croton Point Avenue, as well as entering and exiting the train station. Due to COVID-19, manufacturing and delivery of the traffic signals has been delayed. The Village currently expects the signals to be installed during late winter 2021.

For more information on the project, residents are encouraged to visit the Village's project web page at: https://www.crotononhudson-ny.gov/ongoing-projects-initiatives-proposed-infrastructure-improvements/pages/croton-point-avenue-traffic.



Personnel Changes at the Village Justice Court

The Village's longtime Court Clerk, Jeanne Romeu, has retired effective December 30, 2020. Ms. Romeu was first hired by the Village in 1999 as the Assistant Court Clerk and was promoted to Court Clerk in 2012. The Village gratefully acknowledges Jeanne's 21 years of service and offers all best wishes for retirement!

Replacing her in the position of Court Clerk is Assistant Court Clerk Lisa Teichman. Ms. Teichman was first hired by the Village in 2012 as a part-time intermediate clerk in the justice court and was promoted to Assistant Court Clerk in 2018. The Village congratulates Lisa in her new position!

Filling the position of Assistant Court Clerk is Ana Teague, who is currently a part-time intermediate clerk in the justice court. Ms. Teague was first hired by the Village in 2018 and, as a bilingual employee, will be a great asset for the court.





Dog Park Permits Now Available for 2021

Permits for the dog park located at Black Rock Park are now available for 2021.

The permits are valid beginning January 1st through December 31st of each year.

All dog owners who wish to apply for a dog park permit must be Village residents with a valid Recreation Photo ID Card and a valid Village of Croton-on-Hudson dog license. The application may be found on the Village website under "Online Forms".

There is no cost for the dog park permit. For more information on the dog park and the application process, please call the office at 271-4781.

Christmas Tree Disposal

The Village's DPW will pick up discarded Christmas trees during the first two weeks of January. Trees should be free of all trimmings, tinsel or wires. They should not be placed in bags.

Reminders! Village offices will be closed January 18th in observance of the birthday of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

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Utilize Online Bill Pay

Did you know that you can pay your quarterly utility bills and annual tax bills online?

By going to the Village's website and selecting "Online Payments" under the Citizen Action Center, you are able to look up your bill and make a payment via Discover, MasterCard or ACH (checking account). For Village taxes, you can also pay using Visa.

If you are paying with a credit card, please note that there is a convenience fee charged by the processor; there is no fee to pay via ACH. ACH payments should be made at least four days in advance of the due date to ensure all information submitted is correct and payment is received.

If you have any questions regarding paying your bill online, please contact the Village Treasurer's office at 862-1419.

New COVID Dashboard Available

Westchester County has released a new COVID-19 dashboard which provides residents with up-to-date numbers of active cases, new cases and cumulative cases in every municipality in Westchester County.

Also available on the dashboard is information on finding a testing site as well as information on the areas designated as cluster zones by New York State.

Access the dashboard at the following link: https://t.co/Grpfh3hVFs?amp=1.



Election of Fire/EMS Officers

The Croton-on-Hudson Volunteer Fire Department held their annual election on Thursday, December 3rd. The members of the fire department elected Phil Dinkler as Chief of Department, John Munson as First Assistant Chief and Josh Karpoff as Second Assistant Chief.

The Croton Emergency Medical Services has also elected their slate of officers for the upcoming year. The following officers were elected: Ken Gilleo Jr., Captain; Phil Dinkler, First Lieutenant; David Kreilsheimer, Second Lieutenant; and Ben Farber, Third Lieutenant.

The Village extends congratulations to the officers of both organizations and thanks all our volunteers for their service!

Sidewalk Snow Removal

All residents are reminded that the Village Code requires the clearing of snow and ice from the full width of the sidewalk 12 hours after the cessation of snowfall.

The Village will again be declaring an official end time to each storm. Such time shall be posted on the Village website and social media.

All residents and property owners are urged to take responsibility for their own sidewalk. Doing so will result in a safer environment for our pedestrians and especially those school children who are required to walk to school.

Sidewalks not cleared after the prescribed 12 hours will be cleared by the Village's contractor. Property owners will be billed for this service. Any bills which remain unpaid shall be levied to the property owner's Village tax bill.

Any questions regarding the above should be directed to the Village Manager's office at 271-4848.



No Heat Complaints

Residents who live in rental units within the Village boundaries who experience no heat issues should contact the Village Code Enforcement Dept. during regular office hours from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 271-4783. If the situation occurs outside of office hours, contact the Police Dept. at 271-5177.

Code enforcement personnel will visit the location to measure the temperature and contact the owners as necessary.

This applies to all rentals, including two-family houses, where the owner does not live on-site.

Ice Skating at Duck Pond

Weather permitting, there will be UNSUPERVISED ice skating on the Duck Pond, Bungalow Road. The Recreation Department requires 6" (six inches) of ice for skating.

A GREEN FLAG indicates the ice is safe. A RED FLAG indicates it is unsafe and skating is not permitted. Even when the ice is safe, for your own protection, never go skating by yourself.

<u>Diversity & Inclusion Committee Hosts</u> <u>Discussion Group</u>

The Croton-on-Hudson Diversity and Inclusion Committee invites residents to join their Zoom discussion group covering the topics of systemic racism, bias, prejudice, self-reflection, and more. Session 4 is January 12 at 7 p.m. We will be discussing methods of effective communication. Please RSVP by January 5 to coh.di.committee@gmail.com.

Official Election Results for 2020

The following totals have been reported by the Westchester County Board of Elections for the November 2020 Village Election:

Village Trustee (vote for any two):

- Ann Gallelli: 3,672

- Leonard (Len) Simon: 3,632



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Identification of Premises

All buildings in the Village need to be identified with address numbers. Both Chapter 88 of the Village Code and Section 304.3, International Property Maintenance Code, which has been adopted by New York State, require that address numbers be displayed to identify buildings. This is vitally important for any required emergency response.

The address numbers shall be installed so they are plainly legible and visible from the street. The numbers can be installed on the building or at the driveway entrance. The numbers shall contrast with their background. Address numbers can be numerals or alphabet letters not less than 4 inches in height and with a minimum stroke width of 1/2 inch.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact the Engineering office at 271-4783.

January Recreation Update

Join us for many fun programs starting in January: Sketch a Place in Croton Contest, Ballet, Craft Time, Zumba Kids, Digging for Dinosaurs, Battle Bots/Mini Bots, and Spring Break Game Day! Croton Historic Series will be presented by the Village Historian; be sure to sign-up for Crossing the Croton, Croton Water and The History of Croton Point! Pound & Senior Tai Chi via Zoom and Senior Trail Walks are also planned this Winter!

For all the details, visit the Recreation page on the Village website! You may also call 271-3006 for more information. If you have not signed up to receive the recreation email blasts, please do so by visiting the Village website and clicking on "Subscribe to News".

