

May Meeting Calendar

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Please call the Village office at 271-4848 or check the Village website at www.crotononhudson-ny.gov for times/locations of individual meetings.



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Village Adopts Budget for 2019-2020

On April 15th, the Village Board of Trustees adopted the 2019-2020 Village Budget. This budget was adopted after a host of budget work sessions were conducted with department heads and Village staff.

The budget, as adopted by the Board, provides for a 0.46% increase in the property tax levy. Total appropriations in the budget are \$19,427,655. Debt service in the budget is \$2,184,645, which is a decrease of \$232,887 from last year.

The adopted budget also falls well under the New York State Tax Cap.

Included in the adopted budget are rate increases for the water and sewer funds. The median user will see a water rate increase of \$5.85 per quarter and a sewer rate increase of \$4.67 per quarter.

The full budget document can be viewed online by visiting the Village website and clicking "Treasurer's Office" under Departments. The budget documents can also be viewed at the Municipal Building or Croton Free Library.

Zoning Study Moves Forward

The Village and its zoning consultant BFJ continue to work on the zoning study for the Municipal Place Gateway and North Riverside Neighborhood Area.

As an outreach from the first zoning study public meeting held in March, the Village and BFJ sent electronic and hard copies of a zoning study to all residents of the Village. Over 1000 survey responses were received from residents, property owners and employees in the Village.

BFJ will spend the next month reviewing and analyzing the data that was received from the surveys. This information, as well as the next steps in the process, will be discussed by the Village and BFJ at a meeting to be held

on Tuesday, June 4th. Residents are encouraged to save this date on their calendars; more information will be announced in the coming weeks as to location and agenda.

To learn more about the zoning study, please visit the dedicated webpage at: <https://www.crotononhudson-ny.gov/ongoing-projects-initiatives-proposed-infrastructure-improvements/pages/north-riverside>.

If you have any questions regarding the zoning study process, please call the Village Manager's office at 271-4848.

Summer Employment for Teens

The Croton Recreation Dept. and Dept. of Public Works are currently looking to hire Village teens for a variety of summer jobs. These include working as camp counselors, gate guards and park laborers.

To download a copy of the seasonal employment application, please visit the Village website and click "Parks & Recreation" under departments.

For more information, please contact the Recreation office at 271-3006 or DPW at 271-3775.

Reminder! Recycling should be placed loose in bins. Any recycling in plastic bags will not be picked up by DPW.

Measles Vaccines Available

The Westchester County Health Dept. is providing a free MMR vaccine clinic on Tuesday, May 14th. The clinic will be held from 10 AM to 6 PM at 134 Court Street in White Plains.

Any child attending summer camp, along with camp counselors and staff, are especially encouraged to take advantage of this clinic. To register, please visit www.health.ny.gov/gotoclinic/60.

Dog Park Permits

The Village has a fenced-in dog park located at Black Rock Park. All dog owners who wish to utilize the park must be Village residents and must also have a dog park permit. Dog park permits are valid for the Village's fiscal year (June 1 through May 31).

To obtain a dog park permit, please visit the Village Clerk's office at the Municipal Building. All dogs must be licensed by the Village and all applicants must have a valid Park Photo ID Card. 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.



The Trails Committee poses for a photo at the plaque installed on April 14th in memory of Jan Wines, founding chairman of the Trails Committee.

Earth Day Celebration - May 4th

Residents are invited to come celebrate our planet Earth with neighbors, local and regional experts, live music, hands-on activities and more! The celebration takes place at Vassallo Park on May 4th from 10 AM to 3 PM.

There will be crafts and activities for children, electric vehicle displays, renewable energy options, Hudson River groups, birds and pollinators, beekeeping and organic farming, native plant demonstrations and many other vendors.

**Reminder! Offices will be closed May 27
in observance of Memorial Day.**

Plant-a-Tree Program Begins

In an effort to help replace some of the trees which have been lost due to disease or storms over the past few years, the Village has included funding in the upcoming budget to purchase new trees for residents to plant on their lawns.

The trees will be provided, free of charge, on a first-come, first-served basis to homeowners in locations where street trees have been removed or are missing.

Applicants will be able to choose, with advice from an arborist on the Tree Sub-Committee, one of six pre-selected tree species. Delivery of the trees is set for September 2019. Once the trees are delivered, each applicant must plant the tree within four days of delivery on their property. The tree must be located within five to ten feet of the sidewalk/street. Each applicant must also agree to provide care for the tree as needed.

To apply for this program, please visit the Village website and click on "Online Forms". The application period will open May 15 and continue until June 30 or when all the trees are claimed.

For more information on this program, or if you have any questions, please contact the Village Manager's office at 271-4848 or managersoffice@crotononhudson-ny.gov.

May 2019 Recreation Programs

Day Camp and Tiny Tots Camp forms are available now at the Recreation Dept. offices and the Croton Free Library. Sign up before June 1 to receive early bird pricing! A copy of your child's immunization record is required to be submitted with the registration forms.

Registration continues for a number of great programs, including Spring Games at CET, Defensive Driving on May 4 and Creative iPhoneography. Middle schoolers also have a program May 3 at the Westchester Skating Academy.

Silver Lake opens for the season on May 25th! Swimming is allowed weekends only May 25th through June 22nd from 10 AM to 7 PM. Photo ID cards are required.

Senior exercise classes continue every Tuesday and Friday morning at the Municipal Building. Seniors also have a trip scheduled for May 28th to the Metropolitan Museum of Art. The cost for the trip is \$35 for residents and \$40 for non-residents.

For senior program information, please call Valerie Nolan, Seniors Director, at 271-5804. For information on all other recreation programs, please call the office at 271-3006.

Photo ID Cards for Residents

Photo ID Cards are required for entrance to Silver Lake and Senasqua Park, along with a number of other village parks and facilities. ID cards are valid for three years. To obtain an ID card for the first time, you must come to the Recreation Department offices to have a photo taken. Photos are taken every Tuesday and Thursday from 9 AM to 3:30 PM. There are additional special dates below for photos:

- May 4th: 9 AM to 11 AM
- May 23rd: 4 PM to 7 PM

The cost for an ID Card is:

- Village Residents: \$9.00
- School District Residents: \$15.00
- Village Senior Resident: Free
- School District Senior: \$10.00

Please remember to bring proofs of residency (a driver's license and utility bill) with you.

As a reminder, photo ID renewals can be done online by going to the Village website and clicking on "Online Forms". All online renewals must have a photo on file within the last four years.



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Village Receives New Hybrid Parking Enforcement Vehicle

In this year's fiscal budget, the Village included the replacement of a gas-fueled parking enforcement vehicle with a hybrid vehicle. The vehicle was delivered to the Department of Public Works in April and the Village has been working to prep the vehicle for use.

Residents can expect to see the new vehicle in the Croton-Harmon train station parking lot this month. The Village continues to examine its vehicle fleet regularly to see which vehicles can be replaced with more efficient vehicles.

Croton Community Blood Drive

The semi-annual Croton Community Blood Drive will be held once again on Sunday, May 5th, in the Croton-Harmon High School Gym, from 9 AM to 3 PM. New York Blood Services has declared a supply emergency for our area. Every pint of blood that is donated has the potential to save three lives.

To make an appointment, please call 271-7645 or email crotonblood@gmail.com. Appointments are not necessary, but are appreciated.

ConXpo - May 14th

Westchester County will be hosting conXpo on May 14th at the Westchester County Center. This event is billed to be the largest gathering of procurement professionals and Minority/Women-Owned Business Enterprises (MWBE), Service Disabled Veteran Owned Businesses (SDVOB) and Disadvantage Business Enterprises (DBE) in Westchester's history.

For more information, please visit bit.ly/conxpo2019. The deadline for registration/participation is May 7. Space is limited.