

Town Updates

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Happy Friday, Ulysses!

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VOTER INFORMATION:

Today is the final day to register to vote in the Nov. 6 election. Visit the Tompkins County Board of Elections for more information: <http://tompkinscountyny.gov/boe>

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TOWN OF ULYSSES NEWS:

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Planning Board

On 16 October 2018 at 7:15 PM in the Ulysses Town Hall, 10 Elm St, Trumansburg, NY, the Town of Ulysses Planning Board will hold a public hearing to consider a Special Use Permit for Smart Start; 1966 State Route 96, Parcel B, Tax Parcel Number 20.-3-9.21. The applicant is applying for a Special Permit (\$212-18) for the construction of a preschool and nursery space at the above mentioned property. The proposed building is approximately 80 ft. x80 ft. in size on an approximately 4.86 acre parcel in an A1 – Agricultural District zone.

The above application is open to inspection at the Zoning Office, Town of Ulysses. Persons wishing to appear at such hearing may do so in person or by other representative. Communications in writing in relation thereto may be filed with the Zoning Office at Zepko@ulysses.ny.us or at the following address:

Town of Ulysses Zoning Office, 10 Elm St, Trumansburg, NY 14886

Town Board- Water EDU Assessment Schedule

The Town Board will hold a Public Hearing at 7pm on Tuesday, October 23, 2018 to hear comments on a proposed change to EDU assessment for Water District 3.

To review the full text of the proposed change, please visit <http://www.ulysses.ny.us/pages/current-issues/162/public-hearing-proposed-changes-to-water-district-3-edu-assessment/> or contact the Town Clerk's office at clerk@ulysses.ny.us or (607)387-5767 ext. 2.

Town Board- Preliminary Budget

The Town Board will hold a public hearing on the 2019 Preliminary Budget at 7:15pm on Tuesday, October 23. See details and budget here:

<http://www.ulysses.ny.us/pages/current-issues/143/2019-preliminary-budget-public-hearing/>

HUNTING PROHIBITED ON SALO HABITAT PROPERTY

The Town of Ulysses voted on Tuesday, September 25, 2018 to prohibit all hunting in the town-owned natural area called Salo Habitat, with a public access point off Salo Drive in the Village of Trumansburg. The action was taken in advance of the opening of bow hunting season on October 1st and will continue through all of the 2018-19 hunting season. The Town is open to considering bow hunting in the area in the future and has asked its newly appointed Salo Habitat Advisory Committee to make recommendations on hunting for the 2019 season.

The Town invites residents and visitors to hike the property which has a trail and encourages hikers to enter the property from Salo Drive. To respect Salo Drive neighbors, the Town requests that hikers park at the Farmers Market and walk in or to ride bikes to the entry to avoid parking on the road, which is a ticketable offense in the Village. Since the Salo Habitat is close to the Trumansburg Fish and Game club which permits its members to shoot at their safely designed ranges, hikers may hear gunshots. Only those who trespass on Fish & Game Club property put themselves in harm's way. For questions or to make recommendations related to the Town's new natural area, contact the Town Clerk's office at clerk@ulysses.ny.us or 387-5767.

CORRECTIONS TO ZONING UPDATE DRAFT

The Town's Agricultural Committee noticed an error on the Zoning Update draft in regards to the Ag/Rural Zone which can be found at <http://www.ulysses.ny.us/boards/zoning-update/currentdraft/>.

The current draft states that minimum lot width remains unchanged at 400 feet.

The draft will be updated soon with the following corrections:

Under "What is not changing in the Ag/Rural Zone"

Minimum lot width - remains unchanged at 400 feet **for the A1 zone.**

Under "What is changing in the Ag/Rural Zone"

Parts of the R1 and R2 zones will now be in the A/R zone. In these changed areas: minimum lot width will go from 250 feet (R1) and 160 feet (R2) to 400 feet.

WOOD CHIPS AVAILABLE

Town residents may help themselves to wood chips from the town highway garage at 3888 Colegrove Road during business hours (6:30am-3pm, Monday-Friday). Please call the department at 387-6230 for more information.

NEW YORK STATE RECOGNIZES TOMPKINS COUNTY AND TOWN OF ULYSSES FOR CLIMATE LEADERSHIP

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Region 7 Matt Marko and elected officials recognized Tompkins County Legislature Chair Martha Robertson and Town of Ulysses Supervisor Elizabeth Thomas for actions to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and build climate resiliency at the overlook at Taughannock Falls State Park on Friday, September 28 at 11 a.m. Link to the DEC's announcement here: <https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/NYSDEC/bulletins/21184bf>

TOMPKINS COUNTY:

Waste Not, Why Not!- Presented by the Tompkins County Environmental Management Council

Thursday, October 18th, 5:00-6:30pm

Borg Warner Room, Tompkins County Public Library, 101 E. Green Street, Ithaca, NY 14850

We are experiencing a global garbage crisis resulting in increasing environmental contamination and degradation. Come and learn about the great programs that we have in Tompkins County for reducing and recycling our waste.

Toward a Zero Waste Future: Barb Eckstrom, Director of Tompkins County Recycling and Materials Management, will discuss plastics and food scrap recycling. Robin Elliot, Philanthropy Coordinator of Finger Lakes ReUse, will address the reuse and sale of donated consumer goods.

Whither Our Waste Goest?: Kris Singer, Chair, Ontario County Planning and Environmental Quality Committee, and Carla Jordan, Ontario County Planning Department, will discuss community concerns with the Ontario County Landfill.

The Waste Reduction Committee of the Environmental Management Council will present a PowerPoint on plastic waste reduction and the proposed ban on single-use thin film plastic shopping bags in Tompkins County.

The Environmental Management Council seeks your input on these topics, and attendees will have an opportunity to offer their suggestions on actions that may further reduce the negative environmental impact of our waste disposal practices.

Refreshments will be provided!

WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

TCAction's Weatherization Assistance Program reduces the energy burden on low-income residents by installing energy efficiency measures that directly result in a more comfortable home with lower energy bills. TCAction completes a whole Home Energy Assessment to determine which energy measures should be installed for maximum impact. Energy measures may include: insulation & air sealing, electric & water use reduction items, heating system repair/replacement, hot water system repair/replacement as well as Health & Safety measures for proper ventilation, carbon monoxide detector & smoke detector installation.

The Weatherization Assistance Program is free for income eligible homeowners and renters in Tompkins County. For rental units only, there is a low contribution required by landlords.

For more details, or to see if you or someone you know qualifies, contact Linda Nash at 273-8816, ext. 128. Applications can also be mailed to you or picked up at our Clinton Plaza office, 609 West Clinton Street, Suite 111, Ithaca.

HEATSMART PRESENTATION ON ENERGY EFFICIENT HOME HEATING

Being warm in the winter and cool in the summer is a big part of our quality-of-life. HeatSmart can help show you how to increase your comfort and take advantage of tax credits and incentives available now. Home heating and hot water account, on average, for 75% of the total energy use in Tompkins County homes.

HeatSmart Tompkins promotes affordable, energy efficient ways to heat and cool homes through using air- and ground-source heat pumps in combination with improvements in insulation and air sealing.

Tour homes using these systems in the Trumansburg/Ulysses area

Saturday, Oct. 13th 10-noon

3406 Gorge Road

Trumansburg, NY

air source heat/cooling system.

Saturday, Oct. 13th 2pm-4pm

4124 Reynolds Rd.

Trumansburg, NY

domestic hot water air source heat pump and a ground source heat pump with fan coil cooling

With heating needs in winter, cooling and dehumidification needs in summer, home comfort requires control over air temperature. Heat pumps are a tremendous advance because they can heat, cool, and dehumidify your home with great energy and cost efficiency. Heat pumps work at all temperatures and unlike oil, propane or natural gas heaters, they do all those things with minimal environmental impacts. If you power them with renewable energy, they provide a personal path to a zero-carbon home.

Find more on HeatSmart tours of homes with heat pumps, and other information at www.HeatSmartTompkins.org

UPCOMING TOWN MEETINGS: (All are open to the public and meet at the Town Hall)

All town meetings are held at the town hall at 10 Elm St., Trumansburg, unless noted otherwise.

For agendas and other meeting information, click on the event on the calendar here: <http://ulysses.ny.us/calendar/?category=Government>

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR:

Check the community calendar at <http://www.ulysses.ny.us/calendar/>. You can also submit your own events.

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Forward this message to anyone else that you think would be interested. We'd love to connect with more residents. To send questions or comments, or be removed from this list, please e-mail clerk@ulysses.ny.us

Best,

[Carissa Parlato, CMC \(Certified Municipal Clerk\)](#)

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(After hours by appt.)

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