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Ulysses Updates for 8/4/23

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Hello Ulysses,
See updates for this week below and enjoy your weekend!
Please note there will be no newsletter next week.

IN THIS WEEK'S ULYSSES NEWSLETTER:

- Updates from Supervisor Olson
- Public Meetings/Hearings
- Health Alert- Another Rabies Case
- Trumansburg Fair
- Support for the Aging
- Electric Vehicle (EV) Display
- Cayuga Lake Watershed Seeks Manager
- Dog Census

UPDATES FROM TOWN SUPERVISOR KATELIN OLSON

Greetings Ulyssians!

At our upcoming Town Board meeting on Tuesday, August 8th, we look forward to recognizing and appreciating John Wertis (the elder). John has served the Town for many, many years and has been an able and thoughtful Town Historian. He will be missed and we thank him for his service!

I owe John a personal note of thanks. John showed up on my doorstep (literally) several years ago with a question about our house's history. Over the course of our conversation, he learned I was in the process of completing my Planning Ph.D. As a member of the Town's Planning Board, John recruited me to apply for an open seat. I did apply, and the rest, as John might say, is history! I will be forever grateful to John for welcoming a relative newcomer to the community and encouraging civic engagement. May we all be so welcoming.

One important way we support inclusivity is continuing to make our meetings accessible remotely to the public. Did you know that Tompkins County has the highest rate--85%--in the state of municipal meetings accessible remotely? The average state-wide is a dismal 23%. (Thank you to Legislator Anne Koreman for sharing this important factoid!)

Meeting information and materials for our regular meeting on Tuesday, August 8th at 7pm are available [here](#).

PUBLIC MEETINGS/HEARINGS:

The Planning Board will hold a public meeting on Tuesday August 15th starting at 7:00 PM, please [see the agenda](#) for more information.

The public may join in person at Town Hall (10 Elm St., Trumansburg) or via Zoom at: <https://zoom.us/j/96593175470> Meeting ID: 965 9317 5470

The Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a public meeting on Wednesday August 16th starting at 7:00 PM, please [see the agenda](#) for more information.

The public may join in person at Town Hall (10 Elm Street, Trumansburg) or via Zoom at: <https://zoom.us/j/96162758850> Meeting ID: 961 6275 8850

HEALTH ALERT: KITTEN FOUND AT 902 WEST SENECA STREET, ITHACA, CONFIRMED TO HAVE RABIES

Tompkins County Whole Health's Environmental Health Division (EH) is alerting the community that a black, short-haired kitten found at 902 West Seneca Street (Ithaca) on or around July 14th was confirmed to have the rabies virus. Testing was conducted on July 30th after the kitten exhibited symptoms of the virus.

The kitten was estimated to have been around 3 months old and was polydactyl (had extra toes with larger than normal front feet). The black fur of the kitten had white fur speckled throughout its coat. EH must locate and interview anyone who has had contact with a cat or kitten at any of the properties in the vicinity of 902 West Seneca Street in the month of July, or if someone has information regarding whether the kitten was transported from another location and abandoned at 902 West Seneca Street. Due to the kitten's age and lack of injury, it may have become infected by its mother and any other kittens of that litter may also carry the virus.

The kitten was taken to the Tompkins County SPCA on July 14, 2023, where it remained at the Intake Center for five days before being adopted by the finder. There was no public contact with the kitten during its time at the SPCA.

Tompkins County Whole Health reminds everyone to:

1. Avoid contact with any unfamiliar cats or dogs and any wild animals.
2. Administer initial rabies vaccinations to all cats, dogs and ferrets at no later than four months of age, and keep vaccinations current.
3. Report the following incidents to Environmental Health, 24/7, at 607-274-6688:
 - All animal bites or scratches.
 - Any human or pet contact with saliva or other potentially infectious material (brain tissue, spinal tissue, or cerebro-spinal fluid) of wild animals or any animal suspected of having rabies.
 - All bat bites, scratches, or any mere skin contact with a bat, or a bat in a room with a child, or sleeping or impaired person.

Further information can be found at: tompkinscountyny.gov/health/eh/rabies

TRUMANSBURG FAIR:

The Union Agricultural and Horticulture Society of Ulysses, Hector and Covert, host of the only and oldest tri-town multi-county fair in NY State, holds its **172nd Annual Trumansburg Fair (the 150th on the same fairgrounds) August 22-27.**

It's not too late for Seneca, Schuyler, Tompkins and Tioga County residents to enter their own home or farm grown flowers, grains/beans, fresh and canned vegetables, baked goods, handcrafts, small animals, cattle, swine and horses to win "premiums," ribbons, and bragging rights. Youth categories for ages 5-18. Enfield, South Seneca and Trumansburg Schools can enter student art and mechanical drawing through their teachers. Local schools and organizations can also enter marching bands, floats, vintage cars and tractors in the Firemen's Parade on August 26. Horse races/competitions daily. Free admission every day of the fair with exhibitor ticket. Paid entries due to Fair Secretary by 8/19 mail in only. Let's make 2023 the biggest fair ever!! Information and entry forms at https://trumansburgfair.weebly.com/uploads/1/4/2/5/142546824/trumansburg_fair_book_with_fillable_forms.pdf

SUPPORT FOR THE AGING AND THEIR CAREGIVERS:

The Tompkins County Office for the Aging provides objective and unbiased information on the array of services available for older adults and their caregivers. Established in 1975, their mission is to assist older adults and persons with long term care needs to live independently in their homes and communities with quality of life and dignity.

Office hours are Monday through Friday from 8:30am to 4:30pm at 214 W. Martin Luther King Jr./State Street (Human Services Annex Building), Ithaca, NY 14850.

Resources and services for:

- Social isolation
- Caregivers
- LGBTQ
- Advanced care planning
- Frauds & scams
- Age-friendliness
- Transportation & housing

Visit <https://tompkinscountyny.gov/cofa> or call (607) 274-5482 for more information.

CHECK OUT SOME EVS:

Tompkins County is showing off their Electric Vehicles on Tuesday, August 15th at 3pm 72 Brown Rd, Ithaca, NY 14850.

Municipalities and Large Institutions who manage fleets are encouraged to come learn more about Tompkins County's electric vehicle fleet. There will be a variety of vehicles from plug-in hybrids to fully electric, including an HVAC Ford E-Transit Van, Sheriff's Office Mustang Mach-E, County Office for the Aging's RAV4 Prime, Highway's Ford F-150 Lightning and more.

Please register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/tompkins-county-electric-vehicle-showcase-tickets-686557691537?aff=oddtcreator>.

CAYUGA LAKE WATERSHED INTERMUNICIPAL ORGANIZATION (CWIO) SEEKS WATERSHED MANAGER:

CWIO is seeking a Watershed Manager to identify and implement projects to preserve and protect the water quality of Cayuga Lake. The primary work of the Watershed Manager will be to coordinate water quality improvement projects between the many different stakeholder groups as spelled out in both the Cayuga Lake Watershed Restoration and Protection Plan and the New York State Harmful Algal Bloom Action Plan.

Work is performed under the general direction and in accordance with policies and procedures established by CWIO. This position requires considerable exercise of independent judgement, transparency, and high integrity leadership. Attendance at CWIO Board and committee meetings as requested.

This is a full-time, 12-month, benefits-eligible position. This position description is not all-inclusive as other tasks or responsibilities may be assigned.

Apply at <https://apply.interfolio.com/129085>

DOG CENSUS- STILL TIME TO LICENSE YOUR DOG:

The town is conducting a town-wide dog census and needs your help...

- **If you DO NOT have a dog**, please respond at <https://forms.gle/PmQ49SPsvESGZind9> so that we can eliminate you from our mailing list.
- **If you DO have a dog that does not yet have a license**, complete the form at https://townofulyssesny.gov/_cms/docs/Dog-license-form-2022.pdf and return along with rabies/spay information.

Any dogs found to be unlicensed after the census period will be assessed a **\$25 fee** in addition to the usual licensing fees. For information, contact the clerk's office at ulysses.clerk@gmail.com or call (607)387-5767 ext. 221.

Thanks for your help!

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Best,

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