

TOWN OF WALES 2021 NEWSLETTER

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www.townofwales.com

Information could change due to Covid restrictions – check town website

Note from the Supervisor: This last year has been tough for many of our Residents and businesses due to the ongoing coronavirus. We are grateful to the first responders and health care workers who are helping us through this time. I hope and pray that 2021 will be better for us all. As far as the Town of Wales, we are still financially in very good condition. The Town Officials are dedicated to maintaining the best quality services at the lowest cost possible. In the 2021 budget we have continued for the 11th consecutive year to have no general fund tax, reduce the Highway tax and incurred no debt. In addition, there has been no reduction in the services provided to our Residents. The Town Board is striving to maintain the rural character of our community, as we are being challenged with outside pressure for development. We will continue to do everything legally possible to keep Wales the great community we all love and cherish. I encourage our Residents to become involved and participate in our government. Your input is valuable for the Board members to properly represent you. Please, if you have any questions, concerns, or ideas, contact any Board member or me, thank you. Sincerely, Rickey Venditti
cell: 560-8842 Town: 652-0589, ext. 101
rickeyvenditti@aol.com

TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS

Gerald Klinck 655-5767 walescolklnc@roadrunner.com

Donald Butcher 652-3443 dbutcher@roadrunner.com

Dan Driver 445-3582 ddriver@townofwales.com

Kyle Barry 263-0447 kbarry@townofwales.com

TOWN PHONE NUMBERS - 716-652-0589

SUPERVISOR EXT 101

TOWN CLERK EXT 102
TAX COLLECTOR
REFUSE CLERK

HIGHWAY SUPERVISOR EXT 103

ASSESSOR EXT 105

BUILDING INSPECTOR EXT 106
CODE ENFORCEMENT

BOOKKEEPER EXT 107

DOG CONTROL OFFICER 238-5602

HISTORIAN 860-4240

Town Clerk/Tax Collector –

Mindy Eaton 652-0589 Ext102,

Fax 652-3703 walestaxmindy@aol.com

Monday, Thursday & Friday 8:30 am-4 pm,

Tuesday 2pm-7pm and Wednesday 8:30 am- 3pm,

Closed for lunch - M, Th & F 12:00 –12:30 pm

Summer Hours: Closed Fridays - July thru August

Drop Box – For your convenience, mail for Town Clerk, Building Inspector, Assessors, etc. (**EXCEPT FOR TOWN COURT**), may be left in Drop Box, which is located on parking lot side of the town hall.

Tax Collector Hours same as Town Clerk

February 15th – March 15th for County

September 15th – October 15th for School.

ALL POSTMARKS MUST BE ON OR BEFORE MARCH 16TH

FOR COUNTY AND OCTOBER 15TH FOR SCHOOL OR A

PENALTY WILL BE APPLIED. If you have refinanced your home, please check to make sure the Tax Collector has NEW information to avoid an unpaid tax bill or a PENALTY!

**** NOW ACCEPTING CREDIT CARDS** Fees apply: \$3.00 for \$100.00 and under or 2.65% over \$100.00**

Special Refuse Collection Dates

The following is a list of dates affecting your Refuse pick-up:

Memorial Day-May 31, refuse pick-up **Thursday, June 3**

Labor Day-September 6, refuse pick-up **Thursday, Sept. 9**

2021 Town Board Meeting & Workshops 7pm

| Town Board mtgs | Workshops |
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| January 12 | January 26 |
| February 9 | February 23 |
| March 9 | March 23 |
| April 13 | April 27 |
| May 11 | May 25 @ SW* |
| June 8 | June 22 @ SW* |
| July 13 | July 27 |
| August 10 | August 24 |
| September 14 | September 28 |
| October 12 | October 26 |
| November 9 | November 23 |
| December 14 | December 28 close-out |

*SW= South Wales Memorial Bldg.

Important Dates for 2021

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| March 1, 2021 | Exemption Deadline |
| March 15, 2021 | County Tax Deadline |
| May 3-7, 2021 | Tire Drop-Off max. 10 tires, no tractor tires |
| May 25, 2021 | Grievance Day 2-4 & 7-9 pm |
| May 31, 2021 | Memorial Day Observance |
| June 12-20, 2021 | Early Voting for Primary Election |
| June 22, 2021 | Primary Election Day |
| June 25, 2021 | Kiwanis Wales Evening in the Park |
| July – August | Summer Hours – closed Fridays |
| September 11, 2021 | Patriot's Day (Friday) Observance |
| October 15, 2021 | School Tax Deadline |
| October 23 – 31 | Early Voting General Election |
| November 2, 2021 | General Election Day |
| November 11, 2021 | Veterans Day Program 11 am |

Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer

Walter Raichel 652-0589 Ext. 106 Cell 860-5691

wraichel@townofwales.com

Permit is now required for Temporary Storage pods.

Building permits are required for new construction, pools, demolition, roofs, signs, gates, sheds, fireplaces, etc. Please call the Building Inspector before you begin! In the event, work requiring a building permit is commenced without obtaining a permit the fee MAY BE TRIPLED. Anyone desiring to divide an existing lot or acreage, should contact the office before **MARKETING THE LOT** to ensure zoning requirements are being met. **MINIMUM BUILDING LOT SIZE IS 250' FRONTAGE WITH 3 ACRES.** Establishing a new business or altering an existing business requires a Special Use Permit. Doing so without such permit, is a violation under **Section 200-57.**

Town Code is on the Town of Wales website, on the Home page in top left corner.

**Town of Wales Closings will air on
Channels 2, 4, 7 & WBEN AM 930**

Highway Department

Mike Zywar 652-0589 ext 103

Reminders: Please clear snow from around your mailbox. Do not deposit snow in the road from driveway clearing, this is a danger to motorists and pedestrians which can result in damage/ injury for which the homeowner is liable.

May 3-6th, 2021 Annual tire drop-off - normal business hours. Maximum 10 tires and no tractor tires allowed.

Contact numbers for Town of Wales roads:

Town roads – 625-0589 Ext 103

Bear, Carpenter, Chester, East Emery, Fish Hill, Goodleberg, Meadow Lane, Merlau, Old Big Tree, Wales Creek, Watters, Willow Terrace and Woods

County roads – 652-0410 Erie County

Blood, Centerline, Darling, East Creek, Emery, Four Rod, Hunters Creek, Maple Hill, Reiter, Schang, Vermont Hill and Warner Hill

State roads – 652-8477 NYSDOT East Aurora Big Tree (20A), Olean (16), Strykersville (78) and Two Rod

Assessor's Office

652-0589 Ext 105 Dave Lane

dmartin@townofwales.com

Hours: Wed. 9-3 or by Appointment

EXEMPTIONS DEADLINE: March 1st

As of March 1, 2019. ALL Enhanced Star exemptions will be handled through State Office of Real Property and Tax Services.

Seniors, Agricultural and Disability renewals will continue to be handled through our office.

Any questions, please call our office.

Property and Tax Rolls for Wales: Property owners can access property information and assessment information on the Erie County Real Property Tax Service at <http://www2.erie.gov/ecrpts>

- 1. Start with Real Property Parcel 1.**
Search find property by owner name or property address.
The property details, history, S.B.L. number and Erie County taxes are listed.
- 2. Using the S.B.L. for the property, return to the Home Page to access the Assessment Rolls for the "Town of Wales" to find assessment.**

Grievance Day for Assessment is May 25, 2021 2-4pm and 7-9pm at the Wales Town Hall Community Center. Forms available from the Assessors at the Town Hall

Dog Control Officer

William Newell 238-5602

Dog licenses are required at four months of age and must be renewed annually. Renewals are mailed to dog owners Requirement to license a dog is a current Rabies vaccination and a certification from a licensed veterinarian if a dog is spayed/neutered.

Town Historian

Pat Spahn 860-4240

Historian's office is located at the Town Hall. 12345 Big Tree Road. Open by appointment, call if you have information/photos you would like to share or are looking for information.

Wales Walkway –orders are processed through the Historian's Office. If orders are received by April 1st, bricks should be installed for Memorial Day's Celebration. If 5 or more orders are received after that, they will be processed before Veteran's Day. Order form can be picked up at the Town Clerk's Office.

Town Court – 1106 Emery Road, South Wales

Phone: 716-652-3320

Fax: 716-652-3310

E-mail: walestowncourt@gmail.com

Thursday evenings @ 7:00 pm

Mail to: WALES TOWN COURT

PO Box 286

South Wales, NY 14139

Location: Wales Memorial Bldg.

11006 Emery Road

South Wales, NY (off Rt. 16/Olean Rd.)

Please check www.townofwales.com for Court updates due to Covid restrictions government>Courts

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

more details available on town website

Wales Senior Citizens: 1st Monday of each month 11:30 am
Wales Community Center- Big Tree Road

Wales Historical Society: 3rd Tuesday of each month @ 7 pm

Rural Transit Service: \$3 round trip seniors & handicapped weekdays 8am-4pm 662-8378 /864-2018

Heart and Hands-Faith in Action: aiding the elderly & disabled 716-406-8311 ext 108

Rural Outreach Center ROC: assistance for those in need 240-2220

VFW Rademacher Post #5861: Howard Lobaugh 457-8114

Boys and Girls Club of EMW: M-F 2:30-7 pm 652-9292
www.bgemw.org

EMW Sports: baseball/football/soccer Tom Reid 655-9664

Holland Boys and Girls Club: www.bgcholland.org 537-9370

Wales Kiwanis Club: meeting Mondays @ 6:30 pm
South Wales Community Baptist Church

Tentative Kiwanis activities for 2021- may change or be cancelled due to covid restrictions

February 7–Super Bowl Soup & Pie pick-up

April 3–Easter Egg Hunt 11 am Town Park

June 30-Wales Evening in the Park 5-8pm music, food trucks

August 7-Golf Outing 12pm shot gun at Ironwood GC

October 10-Chicken Bar-B-Que 12 pm until sold out

Dec 4-Senior Christmas Luncheon 12-2pm Wales Center

Wales Center Volunteer Fire Company: 652-1051

South Wales Fire Company: 652-6659

Refuse- 652-0589 ext. 102 Mindy Eaton

**Normal Refuse Pick-up for the Town is
WEDNESDAY 6:00AM-6:00PM**

All acceptable solid waste shall be placed within 5ft. of the street edge or curb by 6:00 am on the street adjoining the premises and in no more than 4 water tight 30 gallon containers with handles or 4 water tight plastic bags. Private road residents must bring their waste to the road adjacent to their property.

The Town allows one (1) large bulk item to be put out per week all year long. This would include a stove, washer, dryer, mattress & box spring, rolled carpeting (18" diameter in 4' lengths), etc. **Refrigerators** must have doors removed before disposal.

Construction wastes, electronics and hazardous wastes are not allowed. In accordance with the disposal ban requirement of electronic item and hazardous wastes, please refer to the Erie County website.

Waste Management –Paper, Plastic, Metal, Glass & Flattened Cardboard are recyclable. To learn more visit: RecycleOftenRecycleRight.com

Provisions are available for seasonal residents.

Exemptions are for 3 consecutive month increments in the same year, maximum of 6 months. Applications may be picked up at the Town Hall.

SEASONAL EXEMPTIONS BEING ACCEPTED MUST BE RECEIVED BY SEPT. 1ST OR THEY WILL BE NOT HONORED.

Needle/Drug Disposal Box located in the Town Hall lobby is available for drop off during regular Town Hall business hours

Food donations for FISH of East Aurora accepted in the lobby of the Town Hall

Bicentennial hats and books are for sale