Town of Irondequoit

Newsletter

March 2024

A Letter From The Supervisor

Fellow Irondequoit Resident,

My name is Andraé and, if we haven't met yet, I'm your new Town Supervisor. My wife, Kristin, and I moved to Irondequoit about 30 years ago, but I am originally from a small town on the Gulf of Mexico, called New Iberia, Louisiana. My life has always been characterized by hard work, faith, and duty. I felt called to serve and decided to join the military, starting off as a combat medic. As time went on, I rose through the ranks and did my part in serving our country. Through all of my experiences, one thing has remained constant: my commitment to helping others and doing my part to move society forward.





I have enjoyed serving you all during my first two months in office. Getting out into the community and hearing your voices is the best, and most important, part of my job. I have already had the opportunity to attend so many events put on by our incredible town staff. From storytimes with the Library, to the Department of Recreation's Winterfest, it is truly wonderful to see the care our staff put into serving our community.



The Town should be working for you, and I'm doing everything in my power to make that happen. This includes supporting town staff in their efforts to do so, as well as expanding communication between Town Hall and Irondequoit residents like yourself. In that spirit, we will be publishing a newsletter each month to keep you all up to date. In this newsletter you will find updates from the Town Board as well as from various other departments.

Sincerely,
Andraé Evans

Town Board Updates

Appointed Anthony Costanza as the new Town Assessor

Appointed two new Senior Dispatchers
in the Department of Public Works

Appointed members to the Ethics Committee,
Audit Committee and Conservation Board

Authorized the purchase of two specially bred
and trained K9 dogs for the Town of
Irondequoit Police Department K9 Program

Authorized the Supervisor to execute
a Coalition Involvement agreement
with Uplift Irondequoit

Approved the special event
license for Shamrock Jack's Restaurant
to conduct its annual St. Patricks Day festival

Department of Recreation

This past month the Department of Recreation hosted our annual Winterfest event. While there was no snow, there were around 4,000 – 5,000 people in attendance. Thank you to everyone who came out!

Our monthly Farmers Market will take place on Thursday, March 7th from 4:00 - 7:00 pm.

In celebration of Women's History Month, we will be hosting a Women's Market Expo on Thursday, March 21st from 4:00 – 7:00 pm. This will take place in the farmers market building on the Town Hall campus.

On April 8th, from 1:00 – 5:00 pm, we will be hosting a solar eclipse watch party at Helmer Nature Center. This event is free and open to the public, don't miss this once in a life time experience!

Summer camp registration will open on Sunday, April 14th. This year we are also offering an extended summer camp option.

As always, we have all kinds of opportunities for families and people of all age groups to be active and creative. Visit our website **https://secure.rec1.com/NY/irondequoit-ny/catalog** for more information on day-to-day programming and registration.







Irondequoit Public Library

Updates

The Irondequoit Public Library's seed library has been nominated by the Seneca Park Zoo Society for a 2024 Environmental Innovation Award. The award winners will be announced at a breakfast and ceremony hosted by Evan Dawson on Thursday, March 28th.

Starting on March 22, 2024 Project IMPACT will be on site in our atrium to provide free training on how to use Naloxone, sometimes called Narcan, to reverse an opioid overdose. Participants will also receive free Naloxone nasal spray.

This fall, in partnership with the Town of Irondequoit and the Jewish Federation of Rochester, we will begin hosting a program series titled "Breaking Bread." Participants of the Breaking Bread program will have an opportunity to learn about different world cultures and traditions through the experience of making a type of bread that originates from that culture. The intent is to expand awareness and appreciation of other cultures and to reduce prejudice and intolerance.



As with previous years, the Irondequoit Public Library is scheduled to be a polling site on election day in 2024.

Recurring Events

Drop-In Knitting Circle
Date: Tuesdays
Time: 1:00pm - 3:00pm

Babytime
Date: Mondays
Time: 10:30 am - 11:30 am
Location: Children's Library
Age: 0-2 with caregiver

Storytime
Date: Tuesdays and Wednesdays
Time: 10:30 am - 11:00 am
Location: Children's Library
Age: 2-5 with caregiver

ASL Storytime
Date: 2nd Saturday of the month
Time: 10:30am - 11:00am
Location: Children's Library
Age: 1-5 with caregiver

PJ Storytime
Date: Tuesdays
Time: 6:30 pm - 7:00 pm
Location: Children's Library
Age: 2-5 with caregiver

Community Center Storytime
Date: Thursdays
Time: 10:30am - 11:00am
Location: Community Center Preschool Room
Age: 2-5 with caregiver

Library Special Events in March

3/1
Friday Fun & Games for Tweens

3/4
Maker Mondays: Arty Party for Teens

3/5
Best of the Fest! Presented by Rochester International Film Festival's Movies on a Shoestring

3/5
A Death Cafe: Talking About Death, Celebrating Life! Hosted by Jennifer Sanfilippo

3/6
Flu/COVID Vaccine Clinic for Seniors 60 and Older

3/6
Young Writers Club for Tweens

3/7
Intro to Community Resources for Older Adults and Caregivers: Medicare 101

3/7
Irondequoit Historical Society - Little Ambassadors: The Kodakids of World War II with Mary Jo Lanphear

3/8
Friday Fun & Games for Teens

3/12
Iron Book Discussion Group - "The Splendid and the Vile" by Erik Larson (Page 339 - End)

3/13
Art Instruction With Irondequoit Art Club: Gel Plate Mono Prints

3/13
Write On for Teens

3/14
Iron Book Discussion Group - "The Splendid and the Vile" by Erik Larson (Page 339 - End)

3/15
St. Patrick's Day Performance by Rince Na Tiarna Irish Dancers

Visit irondequoitlibrary.libcal.com to learn more!

Library Special Events in March

3/18
Successfully Growing Succulents with Cornell Cooperative Extension

3/18
STEAM and a Story: Exploring Things that Roll

3/19
The Great American Eclipse 2024 with NASA Solar System Ambassador Jim Porter

3/21
IPL Movie Club shows "A League of Their Own"

3/22
Henna with Priyanka

3/22
Lighthouses and Lobsters: A Travelogue of A Week DownEast with Terry Mulee and Lisa Wemett

3/22
Narcan Training

3/22
Sensory Storytime

3/25
Growing Orchids in Rochester: A Preview of the Genesee Region Orchid Society Show

3/25
Maker Mondays Make and Take Lab: Spring Earrings

3/26
What is Facebook? with Daniel Jones

3/27
Written and Read: IPL Adult Writing Group

3/28
Classic book group "David Copperfield" by Charles Dickens (Chapter 32 - End)

The library hosts several other recurring events that are not listed here. Visit the website to learn more!

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Financial Report from the Comptroller

Delivered at the February Town Board Workshop

In this report, I am presenting a preliminary look at the 2023 financial results for the town as of December 31. The 2023 books will not close until the end of February to allow for receipt and processing of outstanding commitments, and to account for and properly book the remaining revenue that is owed to the Town. Again, during the March Town Board meeting, I will present the most current 2023 preliminary results along with the respective 2024 monthly financial reports. The Town's auditors from the Bonadio Group will present highlights of the audited 2023 Financial Statements and Audit Report upon completion of the audit work. The 2023 financial results as of December 31st: 100% of the year has elapsed and the Town's total expenses are on par with budget at 100.8% - a sum of $43,821,000.

Encumbrances are $1,247,000 and actual expenses total $42,573,000. The actual expenses alone equate to 97.9% of budget. Encumbrances are still an important part of the Town's outstanding commitments.

The General Fund expenses are slightly lower than budget at 99.3% or $27,286,000. The actual expenditures are 97.5% of budget or $26,766,000 and 1.9% ($520k) remains for encumbrances.

Overall, the expenses in the highway funds are above budget at 111.6%; a total of approximately $7,293k. The costs in these funds result from considerable expenses for salt, gas, and paving as anticipated. The overage of expenditures results from additional paving and will be offset by a rollover of 2022 CHIPS revenue.

The Library expenditures are 99.8% of budget – a total of $2,790,000.

Expenses in the Sewer Fund of $4,132,000 are below budget at 94.2%.

The Stormwater Drainage expenses are approximately 99% of budget – a total of $930k.

Regarding the entire Town, revenue and appropriated fund balance of $42,313,000 or 100% has been documented to date.

The General Fund has recorded revenue of $26,295,000 – 99.6% of budget. Real estate tax of $12,007,000 has been collected. 97.7% of the Payment in Lieu Of Tax revenue of almost $252k has been received. 8 months of Sales Tax revenue in the amount of $4,754,000 (83.4% of budget); the AIM payment of $613k has been received and Mortgage Tax for three quarters of $645k has been received. Additional revenue to be recorded include 6 months of franchise fees, 4 months of sales tax and 3 months of mortgage tax.

At month-end, the Library had confirmed revenue of $2,818,000 – 100.8%.

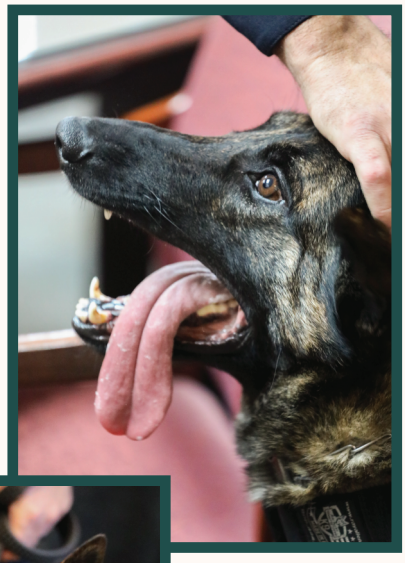
103.7% or $6,773,000 of revenue has been recorded by the Highway Funds.

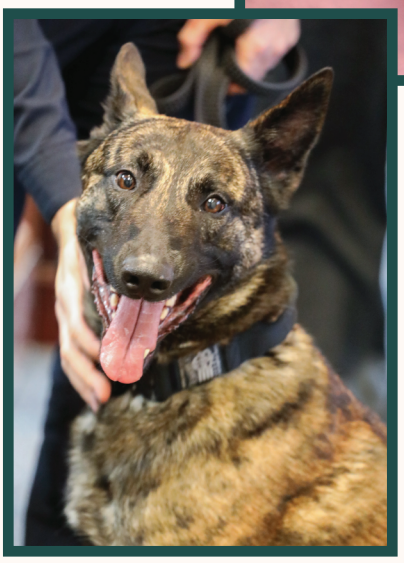
99.4% of the Sewer Fund of $4,335,000 has been verified.

Stormwater Drainage has received 99.4% of its budgeted revenue - $882k.

Irondequoit Police Department

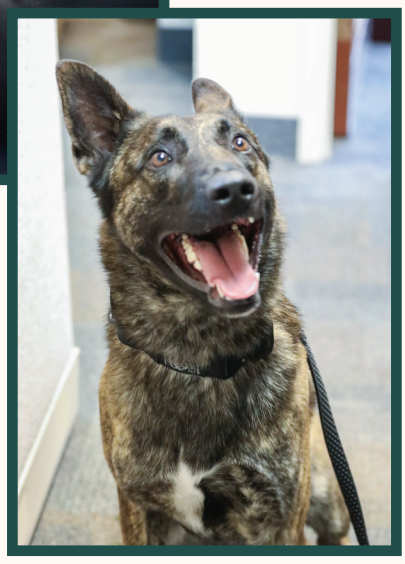
After 23 years, we have brought back or K-9 unit. This month we welcomed two new members to our team. Oliver and Ranger are both three year old Dutch Shepherds. They're currently spending some time getting to know their handlers before they head off to training. They'll start school in March and be ready to work by June!





Ranger





Ollie

Department of Public Works

This year's brush post cards will be mailed out by mid-March.
The pick-up dates are listed below for each quadrant with a map
of the quadrants for reference.

Requirements for Brush Pick Up

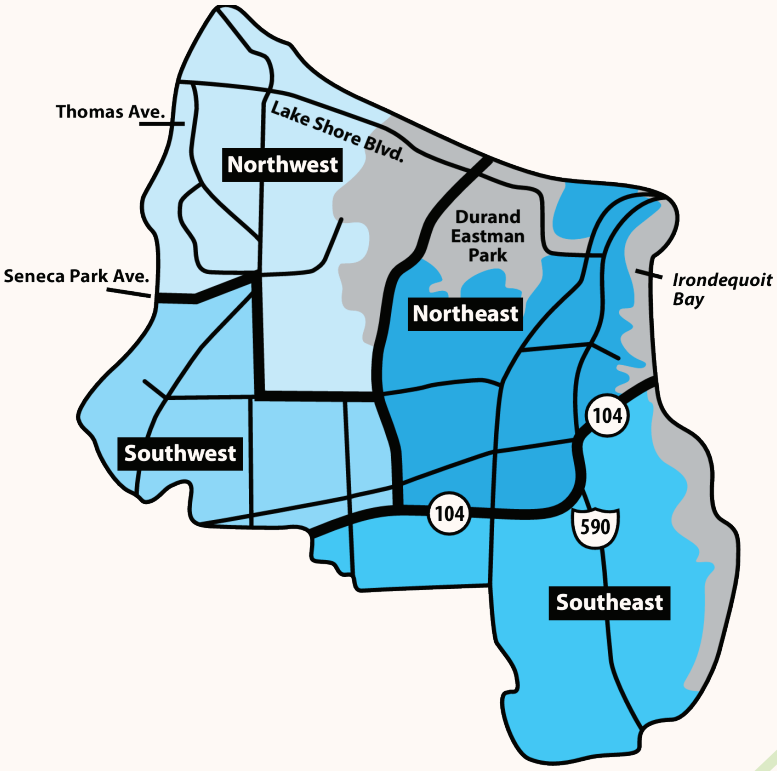
- For the Town's pick-up, brush should not be tied in bundles. If bundled according to your waste haulers' instructions, your waste hauler will take it with your trash on your normal trash day.
- Limbs must be six feet (6') or shorter in length.
- Branches, logs or stumps must be less than six inches (6") in diameter.
- Maximum amount of debris picked up per location per trip is 25 Cubic yards or area of two (2) parking spaces.
- Do not park vehicles in front of the pile.
- Do not pile debris around an obstacle (mailbox, under/ around tree, telephone pole, etc).
- Private contractors are required to remove any and all debris.
- Unacceptable material cannot be mixed in the pile.
- The Town of Irondequoit cannot dispose of certain types of debris, (building materials, roofing, etc). You must contact your refuse collector.
- Material must be free of metal (nails, hasps, etc).

Southeast Quadrant
April 15, May 13, June 10, July 8, August 5, September 2, September 30, October 28

Northeast Quadrant
April 1, April 29, May 27, June 24, July 22, August 19, September 16, October 14

Southwest Quadrant
April 15, May 13, June 10, July 8, August 5, September 2, September 30, October 28

Northwest Quadrant
April 1, April 29, May 27, June 24, July 22, August 19, September 16, October 14



Electronics Recycling

April 20th
June 8th
September 14th
November 23rd

Paper Shredding

September 14th

8:00 am - 12:00 pm

All taking place at the Irondequoit Department of Public Works, 2629 East Ridge Rd.

Town Hall

with Supervisor Andraé Evans

Wednesday, March 27th at 6:30 PM

Agape Fellowship Church
121 Schofield Rd.

Come ask questions and voice your concerns, the Supervisor wants to hear from you!