

THIS ISSUE

*Keep up to date with
community happenings
that impact business in
our community*

AVE BAUDER, CGE

- Seneca Falls School District is looking into doing a similar food pantry program; phase out the backpack program with a school based food pantry
- Question: are the same families who use the backpack program getting the food that they need when going to a food pantry?

BOB SHIPLEY, SUPERVISOR

- Board meeting Tuesday night had committee meetings & special board meeting: biggest take away was funding for housing
- Hearing on local law which allocates surplus sales tax revenue for sharing for the ten towns and four villages. Law was approved and each town was handed money
- \$1.1 million was given for help to local towns and villages. Those checks were given at Tuesday's meeting. This investment is throughout the county
- Discussion on creating a water and sewer authority; looking to soon start the search for a director to fill the position of that department

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

HOCHUL TO ABANDON REQUIRED CONSTRUCTION MANDATES IN AMBITIOUS HOUSING PLAN

City & State: Expected to abandon these mandates, which have been at the center of her policies up to this point. She proposed a 3 year cycle that required 3% growth in housing for downstate communities and 1% upstate.

BIPARTISAN OPPOSITION FROM ALBANY COUNTY BOE ON EVEN-YEAR ELECTION BILL

Times Union: A proposal would move all local elections to even years. Many opposed this bill and it currently faces bipartisan opposition. Justification for this change is social injustice; some consider it unjust that not everyone can make it to the polls. This change may also add a second page onto the ballots.

COVID ERA ISOLATION AND QUARANTINE RULES REINSTATED IN NYS

WBLK: NYS Supreme Court overruled reversing the COVID rules, putting them back in place after a year.

HOCHUL AGAIN ISSUES DOZENS OF VETOES

City & State: Hochul has been issuing blanket vetoes to a lot of bills; she has until the end of the year to veto or sign bills into law. One vetoed bill would have created an office of Native American affairs in the executive branch.

LESS COMPOST, MORE METHANE GAS AND LANDFILL LOOM IN PROPOSED BUDGET CUTS

The City: Under proposed budget cuts is trimming the City's financial support of local compost organizations.

ENVIRONMENTALISTS URGE GOV. HOCHUL TO STOP EXPANSION OF MULTI-STATE FRACKED GAS PIPELINE

City Limits: Canadian owned pipeline company goes from NJ to MA and delivers a lot of power and gas; proposal would expand the line and what it has. Advocates want it

THANKSGIVING DAY HEALTHCARE CYBER ATTACK IMPACTS HOSPITALS ACROSS MULTIPLE STATES

Health IT Security: Ardent Health Services is across 6 states and the attack was so bad ambulances were diverted to different areas.

NYS PREPARES TO REGULATE HOSPITAL CYBERSECURITY PROGRAMS

Mintz: New laws would be followed regarding HIPAA and other things to help secure information. \$5 million has been created in funding to help.

NYC IS ENJOYING AN ENTREPRENEURIAL RENAISSANCE

Commercial Observer: In the last 12 months 27 businesses in NYC have been created and they're in the outskirts, not Manhattan or business related districts.

LOCAL NEWS



NEW TARGET FOR OC RECYCLING

FLTimes: When a home is remodeled, doors and windows are thrown away and replaced; new grant program will have those materials recycled and sent to reuse.

FESTIVAL CELEBRATING 1946 MOVIE SET FOR DEC 7-10

FLTimes: It's A Wonderful Life Festival will be happening to honor the movie that happened in 1946; many out of town visitors will visit.

CANANDAIGUA SCHOOL DISTRICT'S SCHOOL-BASED FOOD PANTRY OPENS

FLTimes: Canandaigua Primary Elementary School has opened a food pantry for families facing food insecurity.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

DECEMBER:

- 12/16: Driver Safety Course
- 12/20: Business After Hours with Littlejohn & Barbi Orthodontics

JANUARY:

- 1/18: Annual Dinner; Ventosa Vineyards



JOIN US FOR THE NEXT ONE SENECA MEETING

When: Thursday mornings at 10 a.m.

Where: Zoom

Meeting ID: 885 5612 6750

Password: 974642

Open to members of the community who want to know things that are happening or have something to add to the conversation.

SARAH DAVIS, IDA DIRECTOR

- Wrapping up things: Policy updates
- Following the county's housing needs assessment, the IDA is trying to figure out what their role is for helping to create housing in the county
- One project has been done this year but now the IDA wants to figure out how to incorporate this goal into the mission statement

JILL HENRY, PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

- 2024 budget: Board of Supervisors has approved a budget for housing strategy in the county
- \$500,000 in ARPA funding was approved for the creation of a Seneca County Housing Trust

MIKE MESTAN, NORTHEAST COLLEGE OF SCIENCES

- NYS Education Board of Department Meeting had the college's charter change approval; allows the college to confer undergrad degrees, including associate's and bachelor's degrees
- Five year programs added: Radiological Technology, Medical Sonography, full bachelor's degree in Healthcare Administration, Massage Therapy. All four have been approved and will be offered this fall
- A full digital anatomy lab and a new imaging science suite have been added to support these programs
- BS Healthcare Administration program will be fully online
- Grand opening ribbon cutting will happen February 3rd
- Physician's Assistant program is slated for approval in 2025
- A branch campus is being developed on Long Island where a large number of students come from
- Property adjacent to Cayuga Lake owned by the college can be developed to be housing or tourist areas

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