

THIS ISSUE

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

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

HOCHUL ANNOUNCES STATEWIDE CYBERSECURITY PLAN

Spectrum News: The plan will provide money and support to local and county governments to help protect against cyber threats. All municipalities are so closely connected, one breach could harm them all.

MONROE COUNTY LEGISLATURE PASSES 'BAN THE BOX' BILL

Rochester First: Employment applications may no longer require disclosure of a criminal history unless application is for county jobs like with the sheriff's office or children's detention center.

EDUCATION ADVOCATES IN NY DEMAND TRANSPARENCY AROUND MIGRANT STUDENTS

Spectrum News: Education advocates say school districts need basic information about students coming in (education history, illnesses, immunization, etc.). Children residing in the U.S. have a right to education.

NY HOUSE REPUBLICANS SLAM \$2B 'NO-BID' MIGRANT CONTRACTS ISSUED BY HOCHUL, ADAMS

NY Post: Group of House Representatives have issued statement denouncing what the state has awarded to firms to help deal with migrant issues.

NYC COUNCILMEMBER GETS 'THREATENING CALLS' OVER ICE CREAM TRUCK BILL GAS GENERATOR BILL

Gothamist: Councilmember supports bill that doesn't allow ice cream trucks to use a gas generator or any carbon based fuel engine powered generator. They must use a renewable source if bill passes. Ice cream truck owners say that is unaffordable (\$10,000)

MILLIONS LOSING MEDICAID COVERAGE OVER MISSED CALLS, PAPERWORK AND CONFUSION ABOUT RULES

CBS News Albany: Congress ended Federal provision for continuous enrollment. States could not renew, remove, or evaluate Medicaid eligibility for residents during COVID. Now, states may re-evaluate & remove ineligible residents. Studies suggest 4 mil. people have lost coverage from being ineligible.

STATE SENATOR SECURES MORE FUNDING AIMED AT PROVIDING MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES TO FIRST RESPONDERS

NBC News Buffalo: \$50,000 in state funding is going toward mental health programs for first responders (New York Leap). It provides programs for EMTs, police, etc. and offers counseling, seminars, peer training, totaling 2,500 programs currently. Funding will increase programs by around 1,000.

DINAPOLI WARNS OF TOUGHER BUDGET YEAR; URGES CAUTION FOR DOWNSTATE CASINO BUDGETING

WAMC Northeast Public Radio: Wide range interview regarding state budget and deficits looming in future budget gaps. \$9 billion dollar gap is being looked at for next year followed by \$14 billion the next year.

SENECA COUNTY CHAMBER UPDATE: PRESIDENT & CEO JEFF SHIPLEY

- Presentation on 2024 Solar Eclipse with Daniel Schneiderman happened this past week at del Lago
- Chamber website has been updated to show what was discussed at the presentation
- Slideshow presentation available for viewing on Chamber website
- Anyone interested in more information can email directly to receive the information

CANNABIS CONTROL BOARD APPROVES FIRST-IN-NATION INITIATIVE TO ALLOW LICENSED SALES OUTSIDE OF DISPENSARIES

Caribbean Life: Cannabis growers showcase will allow growers to join licensed dispensaries and sell cannabis, relieving growers struggling because the state is lagging behind with helping the industry.



THIS WEEK'S LOCAL HEADLINES

FLX EQUALS NHA?

Finger Lakes Times: Study reveals the parks service has found the 14 counties in the FLX meet criteria to receive inclusion in the National Heritage Area System.

SENECA COUNTY TO USE ARPA MONEY TOWARD SAFETY UPGRADES

Finger Lakes Times: Cameras, locking doors, barriers, lockdown buttons, etc. will be purchased with ARPA money for the county to increase safety.

SUPERVISORS EXTEND 1% ADDITIONAL SALES TAX ON GOODS AND SERVICES

Finger Lakes Times: The 1% was extended (further explained by Supervisor Bob Shipley)

SENECA FALLS TOWN BOARD APPROVES LOCAL LAWS AIMED AT FOOD TRUCKS AND ABSENTEE LANDLORDS

FingerLakes1.com: Regulatory laws are passed for Seneca Falls



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.



SUPERVISOR BOB SHIPLEY

- 1% sales tax extended in Seneca County, so Seneca County is 4% with no new taxes. NYS legislator approval was required
- ARPA money will be used for safety upgrades in three county locations including the county office building, the senior and health services building, and the courthouse
- A study brought representatives to come in and go through the buildings to find any problems needing remedy
- Cardinal Disposal was reappointed for the county's recycling provide

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION OF SENECA COUNTY: AVERELL BAUDER

- Feasibility study for a geothermal district in Willard has been sought after
- Discussion with NYSERTA and engineers decided now isn't the time for the feasibility study until there's more direction regarding what's happening with the Willard campus

IDA DIRECTOR: SARAH DAVIS

- Confirmed date and time for Willard input session: Sept. 26 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at South Seneca School District
- MRB and rest of consulting team will present draft masterplan being put together using feedback from the first meeting
- They will be soliciting additional feedback from the upcoming meeting as well