



TOWN OF CHESTER

**VILLAGE OF CHESTER
HAMLET OF SUGAR LOAF**



TOWN NEWS

WINTER 2023

TOWN BOARD MEETINGS:

Every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm

TOWN HALL OPEN MONDAY THOROUGH FRIDAY 8:00AM TO 5:00 PM

VIEW TOWN BOARD MEETINGS ON CHESTER REC FACEBOOK LIVE OR
YOU TUBE: [HTTPS://WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/USER/TOWNOFCHESTER](https://www.youtube.com/user/TOWNOFCHESTER)

PLANNING BOARD MEETINGS:

Via Zoom every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm

ZBA Meetings : Scheduled as needed.

Find various information concerning Town services, departments, and events @chester-ny.gov

SOME OF THE MOST FREQUENTLY REFERENCED LINKS INCLUDE

- ◇ Services provided by the Town Clerk
- ◇ Town Board meeting dates, agendas & minutes
- ◇ The Code of the Town of Chester (E-Code)
- ◇ Property Tax bills and Assessment Information
- ◇ Police Department information and services
- ◇ Garbage, recycling, bulk and e-recycling service information including routes and holidays
- ◇ Recreation Department Summer Camp and other programs, information, forms and requirements
- ◇ Zoning and Planning Board projects, forms and fees
- ◇ Building Department permit requirements
- ◇ Justice Court filings, fees and information
- ◇ Water Districts Annual Water Quality Reports
- ◇ Chester Library Programs at chsref@rccls.org

WARD SYSTEM INFORMATION

The Town Board of Chester is currently working towards delineating the Ward Districts for implementation of the Ward System. Any information concerning the implementation, including proposition and laws, and documentation of draft Election District and Ward District boundaries to date can be found on the Town of Chester website www.chester-ny.gov. All updates to this information will be posted from time to time as warranted. The Town Board welcomes resident input. Kindly send all correspondence to the attention of the Town Clerk, Town of Chester, 1786 Kings Highway, Chester, NY 10918 or by email to : lkappa-la@thetownofchester.org

ADOPTED LOCAL LAWS OF 2023

LOCAL LAW NO. 4 OF 2023

A LOCAL LAW TO UPDATE AND AMEND CHAPTER 33 OF THE TOWN CODE OF THE TOWN OF CHESTER TO PROHIBIT SMOKING, VAPING, AND THE USE OF ELECTRONIC CIGARETTES ON PUBLIC PROPERTY

It is the intent and purpose of this Local Law to update and amend Chapter 33 of the Town Code of the Town of Chester, entitled "Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis," to add provisions which prohibit smoking, vaping and the use of electronic cigarettes on public property located in the Town of Chester. It is the finding of the Town Board of the Town of Chester that smoking, vaping, and the use of electronic cigarettes on public property owned by the Town of Chester is detrimental to the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Town of Chester, and that such public use contributes to the creation of nuisances and otherwise impedes upon the welfare of Town residents. The Town of Chester enacts this local law an exercise of its police power to promote the general health, safety and welfare of the residents of the Town of Chester.

LOCAL LAW NO. 5 OF 2023

A LOCAL LAW TO FURTHER UPDATE AND AMEND CHAPTER 87, ARTICLE VI, OF THE TOWN CODE OF THE TOWN OF CHESTER TO AUTHORIZE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION TO VOLUNTEER FIRE FIGHTERS AND VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE WORKERS WHO HAVE ACCUMULATED AT LEAST TWO YEARS OF SERVICE

It is the intent and purpose of this Local Law to further update and amend Chapter 87, Article VI, of the Town Code of the Town of Chester, entitled "Exemption for Volunteer Emergency Personnel," to grant a partial real property tax exemption to qualifying volunteer firefighters and volunteer ambulance who have accumulated at least two years of service.

LOCAL LAW NO. 6 OF 2023

A LOCAL LAW TO UPDATE AND AMEND CHAPTER 87, ARTICLE I, OF THE TOWN CODE OF THE TOWN OF CHESTER TO ADJUST THE SENIOR CITIZEN REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH NEW YORK STATE REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW §467

It is the intent and purpose of this Local Law to update and amend Chapter 87, Article I, of the Town Code of the Town of Chester, entitled "Senior Citizens Tax Exemption" to increase the exemption limits to the maximum income ceiling permitted for senior citizens residing in the Town of Chester, County of Orange, State of New York, as authorized by New York State Real Property Tax Law §467.

LOCAL LAW NO. 7 OF 2023

A LOCAL LAW TO OVERRIDE THE TAX LEVY LIMIT ESTABLISHED IN GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW SECTION 3-C

It is the intent of this Local Law to override the limit on the amount of real property taxes that may be levied by the Town of Chester, County of Orange, State of New York (hereinafter "Chester") pursuant to General Municipal Law §3-c, and to allow Chester to adopt a town budget for (a) town purposes and (b) any other special or improvement district governed by the Town Board for the fiscal year 2024 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the "tax levy limit" as defined by General Municipal Law §3-c.

Please view the E-code on the Town's [website:www.chester-ny.gov](http://www.chester-ny.gov) for more detailed information concerning these laws.

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**SUGAR LOAF PERFORMING ARTS CENTER
1351 KINGS HWY, SUGAR LOAF, NY 10981**

ALL TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED THROUGH:

Ticketmaster.com or SLPAC Box Office: Thurs. & Fri. 3:00 pm–5:30 pm
OME Box Office: Tues. & Fri. 5:00 pm–7:00 pm

Please visit sugarloafpacny.com
for more upcoming shows and info.

THE NUTCRACKER

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2023 @ 7:00 P.M.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2023 @ 12:00 PM & 5:00 PM

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2023 @ 2:00 PM

Produced & Presented by Warwick Center for the Performing Arts this classical ballet in two acts will capture your imagination and transport you into a magical world of brave toy soldiers and dancing snowflakes.

HUDSON BLUE VS. LADIES OF THE 80'S

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15 2023 @ 7:00 TO 10:00 PM

An extension of our Free Concert Series—Come on out & enjoy some free entertainment on us featuring local favorites Hudson Blue & Ladies of the 80's sharing the stage.

TRANS-SIBERIAN ORCHESTRA

TRIBUTE: TWELVE TWENTY-FOUR BAND

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2023 @ 8:00 TO 10:00 PM

Established in 2002, Twelve Twenty-Four presents a high energy, full-scale, holiday rock orchestra concert featuring everyone's favorite rock-edge holiday music as well as their own holiday creations.

SUGAR LOAF HOLIDAY FESTIVAL

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2023 @ 11:00 AM TO 5:00 PM

A winter wonderland awaits you at the first ever Free Sugar Loaf Holiday Festival

JAY THE ILLUSIONIST

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2023 @ 8:00 TO 10:00 PM

Come celebrate the holiday season with Rock this Town Orchestra Christmas Spectacular...Rock this Town Christmas Spectacular is a holiday show that is highly energetic and visually stunning like no other.

ACUTE INFLECTIONS

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2023 @ 7:30 TO 9:00 PM

Acute Inflections' powerful arrangements of Jazz and R&B songs and soul-stirring originals have landed them on Hulu, NPR and at the top of the Jaz Charts and their playful couple's banter will definitely get you laughing.

ABBA REVISITED

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2024 @ 8:00 PM TO 10:00 PM

An intimate evening with ABBA REVISITED featuring all the hits of Sweden's number one export, ABBA. ABBA REVISITED has been delighting audiences since 2001 selling out theatres worldwide

CHESTER RECREATION

FOR UPCOMING TOWN OF CHESTER RECREATION TRIPS, EVENTS & PROGRAMS
VISIT CHESTERNY.MYREC.COM OR CONTACT MICHELE DESHLER AT:

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TOWN CLERK'S SERVICES AND WATER BILLS

Services may be paid by credit card online, by phone, or in the office. Visit www.chester-ny.gov for more information.

HUNTING & FISHING LICENSES

The Town Clerk is a licensed NYS DEC agent. Licenses are available at the Town Clerk's office Monday-Friday from 8:00 AM-5:00 PM.

DOG REGISTRATION

Please be considerate and curb your dog. All dogs must be licensed by law in the State of New York. Please contact the Town Clerk for more information at 845-469-7000, ext. 4.

E-ZPASS

E-Z Pass is available for purchase at the Town Clerk's office. Purchase tags for any passenger vehicle at a cost of \$25.00, payable by cash, check, or credit.

DIAL-A-BUS 2022

Appointment required 1 week in advance. Please call 845-294-8920. Resident Fare: \$4.00 each way Senior/Persons with Disabilities: \$2.00 each way. Stops throughout Chester & Goshen, including Coach Bus Depots. Regularly scheduled stops on Tuesdays and Thursdays at Chester ShopRite. Special stop at Quick Check in Florida. Transfers available in Warwick for Middletown.

BURNING OF BRUSH AND LEAVES

Brush and leaves are **NOT** allowed to be burned from **March 16th through May 14th** annually. A local permit is not required. Refer to NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation 6 NYCRR Part 215.2 for detailed information, prohibitions, exceptions and restrictions.

BRUSH DISPOSAL

Brush, which includes branches and twigs up to 8" wide, can be disposed of at the Town of Chester Highway Garage, 77 Laroe Road. **NO LEAVES or GRASS CLIPPINGS ALLOWED!** Permit is free to all residents and may be obtained Monday-Friday, 7:30—3:30 pm.

E-RECYCLING DROP OFF & BULK PICK UP

E-recycling is available at IWS, 89 Black Meadow Road Monday – Friday from 8:00 am – 4:00 pm. I.D. required.

Bulk pickup is available **APRIL 1ST – NOVEMBER 30TH**. To schedule an appointment or for more information, please call 845-572-3321.

PEDDLING, SOLICITING & DO NOT KNOCK REGISTRY

A Local Law amending & replacing Chapter 71 entitled "Peddling and Soliciting" of the Code of the Town of Chester, said Chapter to be renamed "Peddling, Soliciting and Do Not Knock Registry" was enacted by the Town of Chester in 2018. This local law prohibits peddling & the soliciting of Chester Town residents who register with the Town Clerk. A window cling indicating enlistment on the "Do Not Knock Registry" may also be purchased for \$2.50. For more information or to register, please contact the Town Clerk @ 845-469-7000, x4.

SIGN UP FOR TOWN OF CHESTER ALERTS AND UPDATES

The categories offered are water, garbage & recycling, events and announcements, public notices and hearings, SLPAC, recreation, and help wanted. To sign up, simply go to www.chester-ny.gov and submit your name and email.

HELP — VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Orange County Office for the Aging Senior Dining Program
Call: 845-615-3703

Deliver a meal and a smile to a home-bound senior in Chester

OC Veterans: Help Available Call: 845-291-2470