



# TOWN OF SENECA FALLS

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1. The Town of Seneca Falls submitted an application to participate in the Department of Environmental Conservation & Environmental Facilities Corporation's pilot Asset Management Program with the assistance of the Town Engineering firm Barton & Loguidice. Asset management is a process that municipalities can use to effectively manage infrastructure investments. It includes defined procedures to inventory, assess, and track infrastructure throughout its lifecycle, improving its longevity and supporting municipal planning.
2. All water shut-off valve work has been completed on Fall and State Streets. We would like to thank Joe Tullo, Superintendent of Water & Sewer Operations and Maintenance and Jim Peterson, Superintendent of Highways in coordinating the project and assisting the contractor with completing the work successfully.
3. The Town of Seneca Falls Water Meter Replacement project should be moving forward in its next phases. A resolution to appoint the Project Engineer was introduced. The next step will be to solicit RFP's for contractors.
4. The Town sought applicants for the newly created Town Manager position. Four initial applications were received and reviewed by the Committee. Three applicants were vetted and it was determined they were not the right fit for Seneca Falls. A fourth applicant is still being vetted. Moving forward, the position will continue to be advertised.
5. The Town has begun working with MRB Group and a NYSERDA representative to move Seneca Falls toward becoming a Clean Energy Community. Based on the new Climate Act, communities need to obtain 70% of their electricity from renewable sources and by 2040 the requirement will need to meet 100%. This program would also enable to Seneca Falls to install EV Charging Stations on Town owned property through grants provided at no cost to the Town. Two resolutions were introduced to take action and become a participant in the Clean Energy Community 2.0 program.
6. The Town of Seneca Falls is now a participating vendor for the New York State Low Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP). Qualified applicants (based on income, household size and amount owed) can have their past due bills paid. Residents must make an application, if approved, the LIHWAP would pay the Town directly for these charges. Application information will be posted on the Town's website and through Seneca County agencies.
7. Town Supervisor Ferrara and Councilmember Laskoski held a second meeting with Seneca Meadows Industries personnel. We continue to work on the major issues of odor control, odor reporting, permitting, traffic control and garbage collection.