



# NEW BALTIMORE NEWS

NILS BACKLUND  
SUPERVISOR  
1972 — 1981

SAL COSTANZA  
COUNCILMAN &  
SUPERVISOR  
1978 — 1986

GORDON KLIESE  
COUNCILMAN &  
SUPERVISOR  
1986 — 1988

GARY McLARNON  
COUNCILMAN  
1988 — 1993

EVELYN PAUL  
TAX COLLECTOR  
1980 — 1990

FRANCIS WILLIAMS  
HIGHWAY DEPT / SUPT  
1956 — 1987

- Town Board and Planning Board to Begin at 7 PM
- March 4 Meeting on Repairs to Wastewater Treatment Plant
- Free Rabies Clinic March 27
- Ag Fest June 1-2

## 65 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE

*An Honor of Service Ceremony was held on Sunday, September 30 at Town Hall to unveil and dedicate bluestone memorials to former Town Supervisor Nils Backlund; Supervisor and Town Councilmen Sal Costanza and Gordon Kliese; Tax Collector Evelyn Paul; Town Councilman Gary McLarnon; and Highway Superintendent Francis Williams.*

*The ceremony began with a community color guard from the American Legion, Cub Scout and Boy Scout Troop 45, Cornell Hook and Ladder and Medway-Grapeville Fire Companies and the Greene County Sheriff's Office. Supervisor Susan O'Rorke led in the Pledge of Allegiance and an invocation was given by Rev. Susan Kerr from the New Baltimore Reformed Church. Councilwoman Lisa Benway, Chair of the Public Memorial Committee, introduced the Committee members who welcomed the families of our honorees.*

*Life history and accomplishments were read and included in the memory scrapbook. Councilwoman Barbara Finke began with Kristin Backlund and Stacey Gallagher for Nils Backlund; Ellie Alfeld introduced Michael Costanza who honored Sal Costanza; Karla Flegel memorialized Gordon Kliese; Evelyn Paul was remembered by Kathy Rundberg; Jean Horn recalled Gary McLarnon and Janet Brooks spoke about Fran Williams. Colorful mums were presented to each family courtesy of Barry Guptill. We were also very pleased to be joined by Mandy and Matt Weeks, Barbara's son and daughter-in-law.*

*Rev. Matt Marlow from the Medway Congregational Christian Church gave the closing Benediction and delicious refreshments were enjoyed following this special community remembrance ceremony.*

*We appreciate the use of tents from the New Baltimore Conservancy and Ron Burns' tables and chairs.*



## FREE RABIES CLINIC

**Greene County Public Health Nursing Service will hold a free rabies vaccination clinic for dogs, cats, and ferrets owned by Greene County residents Wednesday, March 27 at the Medway-Grapeville Firehouse from 6-8 PM. There is no charge, but donations will be accepted. Please call ahead for ferrets. Questions can be directed to the Greene County Public Health Nursing Service at 719-3600.**

**We are grateful to Medway-Grapeville Firehouse for hosting this event each year.**

## Burning of Brush is Prohibited from March 15 to May 15

### UPCOMING REMINDERS

- 3/1 DEADLINE FOR ALL EXEMPTION RENEWALS
- 3/4 7 PM PUBLIC MEETING WITH DELEWARE ENGINEERING ON REPAIRS TO WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT
- 3/27 RABIES CLINIC 6-8PM MEDWAY-GRAPEVILLE FIREHOUSE
- 5/28 GRIEVANCE DAY
- 6/1-2 AG FEST

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## HISTORIAN'S CORNER

### NEW BALTIMORE AT GETTYSBURG

The first three days of July 2013 mark the 150th anniversary of a pivotal moment in American history, and world history, the battle of Gettysburg. In the largest battle of the Civil War, approximately 75,000 Confederate soldiers and 94,000 Union soldiers met at a little Pennsylvania town, with the result that the southern invasion of northern soil was turned back. Never again did the Confederates invade the north in a meaningful way. The war continued for almost two years; when it was over, not only was slavery abolished but the democratic principle of majority rule had become the rule. The country would not be subject to fragmentation by a disgruntled section.

Fifty two men from New Baltimore fought for the Union during the Civil War, according to Beers History of Greene County. Beers is known, however, to contain some errors. According to Beers, three men from New Baltimore died in the war, all three killed at Gettysburg: Dwight Hartwell, Robert Hilton and John Langin. According to both VanSantvoord's history of the 120th N.Y. Regiment and the New Baltimore Town Clerk's post-war report on local veterans, Hartwell and Hilton were killed in October 1864 in Virginia, and Langin survived the war.

Hartwell, Hilton and Langin were at Gettysburg, sure enough, and were all in the 120th, which is our focus here. The 120th consisted of seven Ulster County companies, and three Greene County companies, and entered the Union army in August 1862. All New Baltimore men were members of Company D, including the following:

Jacob Besley  
Herman Dedrick  
Charles Deuble  
Stephen Mead  
Abram Smith  
Joseph Smith  
Philip Wolfe  
Tunis Wolfe  
John Wright

Tunis Wolfe and Philip Wolfe were father and son. This was not

altogether uncommon. Father and son Isaac and Leonard Cornell of Windham also served in the 120th.

The men of the 120th played a key and heroic role on the second day at Gettysburg – the bloodiest day of the battle – following a controversial tactical move by their corps commander, Daniel Sickles.

Without approval from army commander George Meade, and in contradiction of Meade's orders, Sickles moved his corps one-half mile out in front of the rest of the Union line on the afternoon of the 2nd. When the Confederate attack came at about 4 o'clock, Sickles's men received the full impact.

Many Northern soldiers ran. "The 120th was left stark alone," recalled George Sharpe of Kingston years later. As several regiments from Mississippi approached from the south, the 120th lay in wait behind a stone wall "invisible" to the enemy until abruptly rising and firing and then holding their ground in the face of "murderous fire" from superior numbers. Division commander A. A. Humphreys rode on horseback behind his men, back and forth, shouting encouragement.

One of its number later thought the 120th stood firm for an hour, while another estimated that the Mississippians were brought to a halt for a half hour. Eseck Wilber, a 22 year old from Gayhead, wrote to his parents after the battle "The musket balls was thicker then any hail I ever saw."

In time, Humphreys's division found itself in danger of being surrounded on three sides when more Confederates advanced from the west and the north. (Wilber noted he had been fired upon "three different ways.") Humphreys's troops, under enormous pressure, were directed by him – on his second horse after the first was killed beneath him – to put up a fighting retreat, turning and firing and momentarily holding a line, then walking, reloading, turning and firing again as they fell back to the main Union line. A terrific number of casualties were suffered during the fighting retreat.

The ability of the 120th to hold back the advance of the Mississippians before eventually retreating helped give Meade

time to plug the hole in his line caused by Sickles's advance. The Confederates ran out of daylight and momentum before themselves retreating. Northern troops regained ground that had been lost earlier in the day as darkness began to fall.

The following day, Meade's men stood firm in the South's desperate final assault, Pickett's Charge, while the 120th rested behind the Northern lines, in reserve.

Of 427 men engaged on July 2nd, the 120th New York suffered 30 killed and another 173 wounded, for a casualty rate of 47.5 percent. Six out of twelve New Baltimore men were wounded: Besley, Deuble, Hilton, Langin, Abram Smith and Wright. (The casualty rate for the Union army overall for the battle was about 28 percent.)

The dead included three others from Company D, Captain Lansing Hollister of Cocksackie, 19 years old Francis Dedrick of Cocksackie – brother of Herman Dedrick – and Stephen Hann of Prattsville. In Company K, Leonard's father Isaac was killed.

If you ever get to Gettysburg, and everyone should, the regimental monument marks the spot where the 120th stood against the Confederate advance, just east of the ironically named Sickles Avenue. (Sickles, who lost a leg in the battle, was never charged with insubordination.) Two men from Catskill, William Bell and Orrin Hotchkiss, are buried in the New York portion of the National Cemetery – Bell in Row F, number 111, Hotchkiss Row G, number 56. President Lincoln helped dedicate the cemetery in his address that November, when he explained the cause for which "these honored men... gave the last full measure of devotion."

My full article on the 120th at Gettysburg will appear in the Spring 2013 edition of the Hudson River Valley Review.

**Please note: I will be presenting a slide show "Lost: New Baltimore Hamlet" on Sunday, February 24 at 3 PM at the town hall. We will focus exclusively on buildings which once stood in the hamlet, with many additional photos not included in my Bicentennial program highlighting photographs from the town archives. I hope to see you.**

*Ted Hilscher, Town Historian*

## ***GRANT RECEIVED FOR SEWER DISTRICT #1***

Like most upstate communities, New Baltimore's Sewer District #1 is faced with aging infrastructure. The 30-year-old wastewater treatment plant, located in the north end of the New Baltimore hamlet, serves the residents of Sewer District #1 and is starting to show its age.

In 2012 the Town Board worked with New York Rural Water Association and the plant operator to prepare a written evaluation of the current operations of the plant. Once the evaluation was complete, the Town Board prepared a request for proposal (RFP) to solicit responses from engineering firms to provide the Town with recommendations for improving operations at the plant.

The Town received three proposals ranging from \$30,000 to \$14,000. The Town Board interviewed the two lowest bid respondents; Delaware Engineering and C.T. Male Engineering. Both engineering firms had extensive experience in sewer plant operations and upgrades; it was a difficult decision for the Board. The decision became easier when Delaware Engineering offered to provide their service for free, or for the amount of proceeds that could be gotten from a grant for engineering services. The Town chose to take the option presented by Delaware Engineering, and to save significant dollars for the taxpayers in the District.

In December, we learned that the Town was selected as recipient of a \$24,000 grant for preliminary engineering plans, chosen over many other candidates, some who had pending violations from NYSDEC. The receipt of this grant suggests opportunities for eligibility for more grant offerings.

The Town Board has only acted on a couple of suggestions outlined in the engineering report. Before making further decisions that will impact residents of the District, the Town Board would like to hear from the residents of the District on these proposals for the future of the plant. **A public meeting is scheduled for March 4, 2013 at 7:00 pm at Town Hall at which time Delaware Engineering will present an outline of proposed repairs to the plant. The Town Board encourages all interested residents of Sewer District #1 to attend the meeting.** The full engineering report can be found on the town website.

### **Town Hall Hours**

<u>Office</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Phone</u>
Animal Control Officer	By Appointment	703-4746
Assessor's Office	Mon 9-2, Tue-Thur 9-4 Assessor Available on Tuesdays	756-6671, Ext 8
Building Department	Tue-Thur 9-4 or by Appt. with Building Inspector	756-6671, Ext 6
Highway Superintendent	By Appointment	756-6671, Ext 2
Supervisor	Saturday Morning and By Appointment	756-6671, Ext 7 or Cell 421-9939
Tax Collector	February Mon-Fri 9-3, 4th Monday 4:30-6 PM	756-6671, Ext 1 Home 756-9553
Town Clerk	Mon-Wed and Fri 9-4 2nd & 4th Mon eves 5:30-6:30 PM	756-6671, Ext 5
Town Courts	Mon-Fri 9-4, Court Tues 4 PM	756-2079, Ext 4

**TOWN EMERGENCY RECORDING**      **756-6600**

**SHERIFF**      **756-3300**

### **Town Hall Changes and New Offices**

Last April a transformation took place at the Town Hall. We continued to renovate the space available in the Town Hall basement that was started several years ago with the Greene County Sheriff satellite. A new office was built next to the satellite for the Town code enforcement officer. This new office was built on a 'shoestring' budget; Code Enforcement Officer Blaisdell did the actual construction work and painting in his slow season.

With the CEO's move into the new office, the Town Supervisor and Town Clerk determined to swap, allowing the Town Clerk to move into a much larger space and the Town Supervisor a private office off the front hallway for Saturday and after-hour visitors. Before this move would take place a fresh paint job was in order. Spencer Sebert volunteered his time to paint the swapped Town Clerk and Supervisor offices and both bathrooms.

A Board member learned of Holcim Cement's closing and the Town Highway crew's trips to Catskill resulted in new furniture for all the offices, moved by the Highway crew in their slow season. All that was left to do was change over the telephones and re-program and reassign computers.

With their new and renewed office spaces, the hard-working staff at Town Hall has found more efficiency and better use of space, making for a much more effective town government in New Baltimore.

# Town Board Report

**Town Board and Planning Board  
Meetings Now Begin at 7 PM**

## SEPTEMBER

Approved Revised Highway 284 Agreement to include improvements to New Baltimore Road, Washington Street, High Bridge Road, and Carhart Road.

Supported abandoning VanGurpin Road which has not been maintained by the Town

Authorized Supervisor to Sign Agreement with Delaware Engineering, P.C. for professional services on Water District #2

Discussed options for expansion of Water District #2 following request for connection from Roberts Hill Road residents.

Received updates by Scenic Hudson of former Armstrong farm property and pole upgrades by Central Hudson

Discussed Health Insurance plans for 2013

Received update on Townwide Yard Sale and Honor of Service Ceremony

Discussed replacement for open Town Justice position and town resident's offer to volunteer

Set Special Meeting on 2013 Tentative Budget for October 8

## OCTOBER

Discussed 2013 Tentative Budget and set Public Hearing for October 22

Presentation by Delaware Engineering on Expansion of Water District #2, accepted Map, Plan and Report, and scheduled Public Hearing for October 22

Reappointed Jack Ablett to the Board of Assessment Review

Authorized signing of contract with Rauch/Hoogkamp for purchase/transfer of real property next to Town Hall to the Town

Renewed health insurance policy for Town employees

Amended fee schedule to include charges for Electronic Media copies

Approved expansion of Water District #2

Authorized payment for Assessor's travel expenses to the 2012 Annual Meeting and Seminar of the NYS Association of Assessors in September

Authorized Grant from Town Justice for modernization

## NOVEMBER

Presentation by Ken and Shawn Kearney of Ken Kearney Realty and Development Corp. on proposed Senior and Work Force Housing Project on Town property in Kalkberg Park

Appointed Diane Jordan as Tax Collector

Approved extension of Water District #2 as Extension #1

Approved Supervisor to send letter of support for proposed Ken Kearney Lime Hills Homestead in Kalkberg Park

Authorized Highway Superintendent to purchase used tractor at Thruway Auction not to exceed \$7,000

Adopted Preliminary Budget as amended as the 2013 Final Budget

Approved Vision Plan for Town employees

Held Special Joint Meetings/Public Hearing with Town of Coxsackie on land swap in Kalkberg Park

## DECEMBER

Presentation by Delaware Engineering for engineering report for Sewer District #1

Donna Carlson, Chair of the Zoning Advisory Committee, presented recommendation for changes to the Town's Zoning Code

Lee Davis certified by Board of Elections as Town Justice

Authorized Highway Superintendent to rent John Deere backhoe for \$2,000/month

Approved advertisement for bids to purchase used backhoe

Established Sewer District #1 use charges for 2013

Approved budget amendments

Approved sludge hauler for wastewater treatment plant

Discussed changing Town Board meeting start from 7:30 PM to 7 PM

## Planning Board

### SEPTEMBER

Approved Site Plan and Special Use Permit Application for Scenic Hudson Land Trust to allow passive recreation on their recently-purchased property on County Route 61

Received Minor Subdivision Application for Ronald Rausch and Beverly Hoogkamp for subdivision of their parcel on County Route 51 Public Hearing scheduled for October 11

### OCTOBER

Public Hearing and adoption of Rausch/Hoogkamp minor subdivision

### NOVEMBER

Review of Thruway, Town, and Coxsackie's Sign Regulations and recommended to leave Town Sign Regulation as is

### DECEMBER

Renewed Special Use Permit for JB Car Services for 2013

Discussed with Ken Rebusmen alternatives for his Scheller Park Road property

## Zoning Board of Appeals

### SEPTEMBER

Public Hearing held on hamlet music issue appeal with discussion to be continued

Discussion on Katherine Chapman Area Variance application and Public Hearing scheduled for November 7

### OCTOBER

Completed deliberations on hamlet music issue, reversed CEO Blaisdell's decision, and adopted resolution declaring use prohibited

### NOVEMBER

Public Hearing and approval of Katherine Chapman Area Variance application  
Adoption of resolution previously approved in October concerning hamlet music issue

## Assessor

### Important Reminders

Friday, March 1, 2013 is the  
deadline for all exemption  
renewals

Grievance Day is Tuesday,  
May 28th

### 2012 Sheriff's Office Statistics

Calls for Service.....	398
Uniform Traffic Tickets.....	172
Arrests.....	53
Coxsackie Reservoir Checks.....	405

A special thank you to Lynn Taylor, who served the Town as Court Clerk for 24 years and Tax Collector for almost 3 years. We appreciate her dedicated service and assistance to the residents of our Town.

We would like to thank Jack Covey and Lee Davis for their many years of service on the ZBA and Planning Board. Congratulations also to Lee who was recently elected Town Justice.

## Code Enforcement Officer

### SEPTEMBER

- Building Inspections 26
- Building Permits Issued 1
- Building Permits Renewed 3
- Certificates of Compliance Issued 12
- Certificates of Occupancy Issued 3
- Commercial Site Fire Inspections 4
- Compliance Orders 1
- Junk Vehicle Complaints 2
- New Building Permit Applications Received 1
- Code Violation Investigations 2.....\$ 699.00

### OCTOBER

- Building Inspections 13
- Building Permits Issued 5
- Building Permits Renewed 1
- Building Permits Closed With Violation 1
- Certificates of Compliance Issued 3
- Certificates of Occupancy Issued 2
- Commercial Site Fire Inspection 1
- General Complaints 3
- Junk Vehicle Complaint 1
- Manufactured (Mobile) Home Permit Issued 1
- New Building Permit Applications Received 7
- Outside Boiler/Woodstoves etc. Permit Issued 1
- Code Violation Investigations 5.....\$ 797.00

### NOVEMBER

- Building Inspections 14
- Building Permits Issued 2
- Building Permits Renewed 1
- Building Permits Closed With Violation 1
- Building Permit Closure With Violation Rescinded 1
- Certificates of Compliance Issued 4
- Certificates of Occupancy Issued 1
- Commercial Site Fire Inspections 1
- Demolition Permit Applications Received 1
- Demolition Permits Issued 1
- General Complaints 2
- New Building Permit Applications Received 2
- Code Violation Investigations 3
- Zoning Violation Investigations 2.....\$ 570.00

### DECEMBER

- Building Inspections 14
- Building Permits Issued 5
- Building Permits Renewed 1
- Certificates of Compliance Issued 1
- Commercial Site Fire Inspections 1
- Demolition Permit Applications Received 1
- Demolition Permits Issued: 1
- Do Not Occupy: 1
- General Complaints: 2
- New Building Permit Applications Received: 6
- Outside Boiler/Woodstoves, etc. Permits Issued: 1
- Septic Tank Replacement Applications Received: 1
- Septic Tank Replacement Permits Issued: 1
- Code Violation Investigations: 2
- Zoning Violation Investigations: 1 .....\$ 1,487.00
- Total Fees for 2012.....\$16,590.00



## Senior Citizens Celebrate the Holidays

*The Town's Senior Citizen Committee celebrated the season with a delicious luncheon at Pegasus Restaurant. Co-Chairs Ellie Alfeld and Conrad Jurgens welcomed everyone, invited their continued participation in 2013, and raffled many donated items. The Committee will be meeting in the spring to plan events for the year.*

*All residents are always welcome and encouraged to attend.*



## Plastic Surgery Successful

In October, 2012, on the 12<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the construction of the World's First Recycled Plastic Bridge, the Town and New Baltimore Conservancy joined forces with the help of volunteers, the original engineers and contractors, and FEMA funding to repair damage from **Hurricane Irene in 2011**. The bridge is located on the Hudson River Interpretive Trail (HRIT), and allows for trail maintenance vehicles and Preserve users to cross a tidal stream in order to access the river. The HRIT took a big hit in the storm, with the loss of dozens of mature trees, and damage to one of the arches on the bridge, which resulted in it being closed to vehicle traffic until it was repaired. With advance planning, the volunteer crew along with several firms involved in the original design and construction (McLaren Engineering, Amico Iron Works and Rob Van Etten) were able to completely replace one arch, and repaired the other during one long weekend, working dawn to dusk in the rain. The bridge is now stronger than ever. Only two weeks after the repairs were completed, the bridge was hit by flood waters from Super Storm Sandy - with water two feet over the bridge deck! The bridge made it through the storm without a problem. The two photos show the restored bridge with a car on it, and with some of the many volunteers from NY City to Albany who helped make this happen.



## 9th Annual Townwide Yard Sale Success

**Councilwoman Barb Finke and Tax Collector Lynn Taylor report 58 yard sales on the map, with many more last-minute included. Special appreciation to Cornell Hook and Ladder Ladies Auxiliary, New Baltimore Reformed Church, and town residents and other local businesses for their support of this annual community event.**

*Due to the rising cost of postage, residents may wish to access their Newsletter from the website or by email. If so, please send an email to the address below. In addition, if there are name or address changes or to be added to the mailing list, contact*

***[bfinke@townofnewbaltimore.org](mailto:bfinke@townofnewbaltimore.org) or [sororke@townofnewbaltimore.org](mailto:sororke@townofnewbaltimore.org)***

## Christmas Pot Luck at Town Hall

The annual Christmas pot luck gathering at Town Hall has been a long-standing tradition for current and past Board members, elected officials, and appointed staff to sit down to a homemade lunch while still at work.

This year's gathering, as last year's, also contributed to a money tree for the less-fortunate, the proceeds from which were delivered to the Cocksackie Area Food Pantry (\$71) and the Capital City Rescue Mission (\$51).

A very delicious and relaxing time was had by all.

## *The Great Land Swap*

The Town of New Baltimore and Town of Cossackie have had a long standing dispute over where the town's boundary line lies. The area of dispute was across US ROUTE 9W from Kalkberg Commerce Park where Diederich's Trailer Park is located; The extrapolated town line came through Diederich's. Diederich's Park has always been assessed in and paid taxes to the Town of Cossackie; however, fire and ambulance service had been provided to part of the Park/complex by Ambulance District 1 of New Baltimore and New Baltimore Fire District.

Given the years that this property had been in contention and given the cost of legal action to bring closure to the dispute, an alternate option was presented. A four and one half acre lot in Kalkberg Commerce Park, in front of Empire Merchants, was split by the town line making it necessary for a potential buyer to approach both towns' boards and codes for developing the parcel. A compromise was presented by the two town supervisors to their respective boards; "swap" the parcel in front of Empire Merchants that lay in the Town of Cossackie for the Diederich Trailer Park Parcel that lay in New Baltimore. Both town boards unanimously agreed.

In order to accomplish the swap, an annexation of each parcel had to be completed by each Town Board. This required a survey of each lot and a property description, a joint meeting of the two town boards and a joint public hearing on the annexation. This was all accomplished in December. The annexation has been filed with the Secretary of State and the town of New Baltimore now owns the entire lot in front of Empire Merchants in Kalkberg Commerce Park.

### TOWN'S NEW PARKING LOT

Anyone who has driven by Town Hall on the night of Town Court knows how quickly the parking lot fills and the overflow spills onto County Route 51 and High Rock Road. Parking on the shoulder of the road is dangerous and more so after dark. To solve this hazardous situation the town hall needed additional parking spots; but the Town had run out of room to expand its lot at town hall for additional parking spots.

Located about 1/8 mile East of Town Hall sat the old town highway garage. The old garage was in need of extensive repairs on the roof and rotting support beams and was located in an inconvenient place, separate from the Town's current highway garage and recycling center.

The solution arrived when neighboring property owners offered to sell two acres in a 'swap' for the old highway garage. but, with the sale of that old highway garage, new storage was needed for the seasonal equipment that was stored there. To accommodate the equipment, a new pole barn was erected by the town highway crew at the current town garage. Once the new barn was complete, the town highway crew started clearing the trees from the adjacent lot, leveled, and created the new parking lot for town hall visitors.

### Special Announcement for Residents of Water District #2

**A water main break recently occurred in the Scheller Park area. The Village of Cossackie currently operates their own Code Red emergency response notification system to inform residents of emergency situations or community alerts. Residents of Water District #2 are encouraged to sign up for this free service as well as Greene County's Code Red at:**

**[www.villageofcossackie.com](http://www.villageofcossackie.com)  
[www.greenegovernment.com](http://www.greenegovernment.com)**

**Reminder from Code Enforcement Officer  
Ray Blaisdell to all Wood Burning dwellers; please be  
sure to practice a chimney cleaning. Creosote has the  
tendency to build up and cause chimney fires.**

### Is Your Dog Licensed?

New York State Law and the Code of the Town of New Baltimore require that all dogs four months of age and older be licensed. Based on average statistics of 1.5 dogs per Town resident and the number of dogs licensed in our Town, there are many dogs currently not licensed.

In this regard, the Town's Animal Control Committee proposes to complete a dog census in the near future. As part of this census, every household will receive a census form in the mail which must be responded to per instruction in the census form. Failure to respond, will result in contact by an Animal Control Committee representative.

To license your dog at this time, application can be obtained from the Town Clerk's office or downloaded from the Town's website. Click on Town Officials, then Town Clerk and the required application is contained in the application list. Evidence from your veterinarian that your dog's rabies shot is current must accompany the application as well as fee of \$7.00 if your dog is spayed or neutered or \$15.00 if not spayed or neutered.

If residents do not license their dog within the census period, they will be charged the enumeration fee of \$75 plus the cost of licensing. If you have questions or for additional information, contact Animal Control Officer Joe Tanner and/or Animal Control Committee Members Councilman Michael Meredith or Councilwoman Barb Finke.

### AG FEST

With over 20 years of celebrating New Baltimore's historical & agricultural heritage, the Ag Fest Committee is proud to announce the dates for this year's festival -- **June 1 and 2, 2013.**

This no admission, open air festival is a treat for families of all ages with free activities for all ages. Also the community pot luck dinner will be held Saturday under the big tent following the day's activities. All town residents are invited to bring a covered dish to share and enjoy a good ole country hoe-down with music and dancing. Activities for both days include a garden tractor pull, antique tractor pull, children's games and crafts, a dunking booth, hit and miss engines, vendors, Cornell Hook and Ladder food booth, the Farmers Market, and many agricultural and county exhibits.

**Supervisor**  
Susan O'Rorke

**Tax Collector**  
Diane Jordan  
Lynn Taylor (10/12)

**Superintendent of  
Highways**  
Denis Jordan

**Board Members**

Lisa Benway  
Barbara Finke  
Michael T. Meredith  
Christopher Norris

**Town Clerk**  
Janet Brooks

**Town Justice**  
Joseph Farrell  
Lee Davis

Gordon Bennett, **Assessor**  
Ray Blaisdell, **Code Enforcement Officer**  
Ted Hilscher, **Town Historian**

**Board of  
Assessment  
Review**

Jack Ablett  
Ellie Alfeld  
Ron Hofaker  
Jean Horn  
Ken Rebusmen

**Planning Board**

Kathy Rundberg, Chair  
Joseph Caputo  
Lee Davis (12/12)  
Bill Johns  
Dan Kelly (12/12)  
Arlene McKeon  
Dave Serosky

**Zoning Board of  
Appeals**

Meave Tooher, Chair  
Donna Carlson  
Jack Covey (12/12)  
Jim Eckl  
Shelly VanEtten

Joe Tanner, **Animal Control Officer**

**Calendar**

**Town Board Meetings**

2nd and 4th Mondays 7 PM

**Planning Board Meetings**

2nd Thursday\* 7 PM

**Zoning Board Meetings**

1st Wednesday\* 7:30 PM

\* If no agenda, no meeting

For agendas and other Town  
information, please call  
Town Offices or visit our  
website.

[www.townofnewbaltimore.org](http://www.townofnewbaltimore.org)

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## 2013 Adopted Budget Has Townwide Decrease

The estimated tax change per \$100,000 Assessed Home will be a \$2.94 decrease from 2012. This includes an increase in the General and Highway Funds of \$10.15 per \$100,000 assessment. The savings in the County Chargeback of \$13.09 will offset the town fund increase for a savings to every tax payer in the town. The changes in the Special Funds for the 2013 Adopted Budget vary by fund. Those funds and the full budget can be viewed on the Town's website [www.townofnewbaltimore.org](http://www.townofnewbaltimore.org) or by requesting a copy from the Town Clerk.

<b>GENERAL</b>			<b>FUND</b>		
	<b>AMENDED 2012</b>	<b>ADOPTED 2013</b>		<b>AMENDED 2012</b>	<b>ADOPTED 2013</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			<b>CENTRALIZED SERVICES</b>		
<b>PERSONAL SERVICES</b>			Buildings Contractual	\$ 19,500	\$ 7,500
Town Board	\$ 16,400	\$ 16,400	Printing Contractual	4,500	5,000
Justices	21,220	21,220	Data Processing Contractual	5,300	5,300
Justice Clerk	42,500	59,100	Insurance	25,000	28,000
Supervisor	7,925	7,925	Municipal Dues	1,100	1,100
Confidential Secretary	1,000	1,000	Education	1,500	1,500
Tax Collector	6,430	6,430	Public Safety Contractual	600	600
Assessors	20,553	20,758	Police Contractual	1,700	1,700
Assessor Staff	12,500	15,900	Traffic Control (Signs)	4,000	4,200
Town Clerk	28,560	28,846	Board of Health	500	500
Deputy Town Clerk	10,403	10,500	Registrar	880	880
Records Management	1,000	1,500	Garage	13,000	28,500
Buildings	2,200	500	Street Lighting	2,600	2,600
Animal Control	3,950	4,950	Refuse and Garbage Contractual	3,500	3,900
Building/Code Enforcement	17,000	17,000		<b>\$ 83,680</b>	<b>\$ 91,280</b>
Superintendent of Highways	52,480	53,004	<b>PROGRAMS</b>		
Recreation Administration	1,900	1,900	Veterans Services	\$ 700	\$ 700
Parks (Mowing, Upkeep)	2,800	1,900	Aging Programs	1,500	1,500
Youth Programs	1,500	1,500	Economic Development	900	900
Historian	1,560	1,560	Parks Equipment	900	2,400
Zoning Board	1,900	1,900	Parks Contractual	3,000	3,000
Zoning Board Clerk	1,200	1,800	Cultural Programs	1,500	1,500
Planning Board	6,900	6,900		<b>\$ 8,500</b>	<b>10,000</b>
Planning Board Clerk	11,000	12,200			
Refuse and Garbage	7,200	7,900	Contingent	\$ 5,000	5,000
	<b>\$280,081</b>	<b>\$302,593</b>	Transfer to Highway Fund	70,000	81,000
<b>BENEFITS</b>			Transfer to Parks Reserve Fund	1,000	1,000
State Retirement	\$ 32,771	\$ 33,818	<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATED</b>		
Social Security	20,500	23,148	<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$619,182</b>	<b>\$671,414</b>
Workers Compensation	3,690	4,565	<b>REVENUES</b>		
Disability Insurance	600	600	<b>NON PROPERTY TAX REVENUES</b>		
Health Insurance	58,500	58,500	Payment In Lieu of Taxes	\$ 23,641	\$ 23,641
	<b>\$116,061</b>	<b>\$120,631</b>	Property Tax Penalties	8,000	8,000
<b>DEPARTMENTAL NON PERSONAL SERVICE</b>			Franchise Fees	21,900	21,900
Justice Contractual	\$ 6,500	\$ 8,500	Clerk Fees	1,400	1,400
Supervisor Contractual	10,800	10,800	Recycling Fees	250	250
Tax Collector Contractual	2,500	3,700	Zoning Fees	100	100
Assessor Contractual	2,900	3,300	Planning Fees	500	500
Town Clerk Contractual	1,700	2,100	Interest	3,500	3,500
Records Management Contractual	5,560	5,560	Dog Licenses	1,900	2,500
Animal Control Contractual	1,500	2,000	Building Permits	11,000	11,000
Building/Code Enforcement Cont.	2,000	2,150	Other Permits	500	500
Superintendent of Highways Cont.	100	100	Justice Court Fines	117,000	160,000
Historian Contractual	100	100	State Aid-Per Capita	11,000	11,000
Zoning Board Contractual	200	200	Mortgage Tax	45,000	55,000
Planning Board Contractual	500	400	Appropriated Fund Balance	92,354	78,301
	<b>\$ 34,360</b>	<b>\$ 38,910</b>		<b>\$338,045</b>	<b>\$377,592</b>
<b>PROFESSIONAL SERVICES</b>			<b>PROPERTY TAXES</b>	<b>\$281,137</b>	<b>\$293,822</b>
Auditing	\$ 500	\$ 500	<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$619,182</b>	<b>\$671,414</b>
Attorney Contractual	19,500	18,000			
Annexation	0	2,000			
Engineering Contractual	500	500			
	<b>\$ 20,500</b>	<b>\$ 21,000</b>			

## SEWER DISTRICT #1

	<b>AMENDED 2012</b>	<b>ADOPTED 2013</b>		<b>AMENDED 2012</b>	<b>ADOPTED 2013</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATED EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$141,367</b>	<b>\$143,210</b>
Administration Contr.	\$ 3,700	\$ 3,700	<b>REVENUES</b>		
Treatment/Disposal PS	27,500	32,600	Sewer Use Fees	\$139,117	\$140,515
Treatment/Disposal Equip.	4,500	15,000	Interest and Penalties	1,900	2,000
Treatment/Disposal Contr.	26,000	27,000	Interest Earnings	350	200
Retirement	4,500	4,571	Use of Accumulated Fund Balance	0	495
Social Security	2,060	2,494	<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$141,367</b>	<b>\$143,210</b>
Workers Compensation	260	298			
Disability	100	100			
Serial Bond Principal	37,000	37,000			
Statutory Bond Interest	15,747	15,747			
Repair Reserve	20,000	4,700			

	<b>HIGHWAY</b>	
	<b>AMENDED 2012</b>	<b>ADOPTED 2013</b>
<b>PERSONAL SERVICE</b>		
General Repairs	\$210,000	\$212,120
Snow Removal	73,283	74,008
	\$283,283	\$286,128
<b>HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS AND REPAIRS</b>		
General Repairs Contractual	\$230,000	\$230,000
CHIPS Improvements	112,600	112,600
	\$342,600	\$342,600
<b>MACHINERY</b>		
Machinery Equipment	\$ 30,000	\$ 0
Machinery Contractual	105,000	105,000
	\$135,000	\$105,000
<b>SNOW REMOVAL OTHER ROAD MAINTENANCE</b>		
Brush and Weeds Contractual	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
Snow Removal Contractual	75,000	75,000
	\$ 77,000	\$ 77,000
<b>BENEFITS</b>		
State Retirement	\$ 47,270	\$ 53,013
Social Security	22,829	22,003
Workers Compensation	3,255	4,680
Disability Insurance	550	550
Health Insurance	82,500	82,500
Uniforms	6,900	6,900
	\$163,304	\$169,646

	<b>AMENDED 2012</b>	<b>ADOPTED 2013</b>
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>		
Statutory Bond Principal	\$ 0	\$ 24,500
Statutory Bond Interest	0	2,560
	\$ 0	\$ 27,060
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATED EXPENDITURES</b>		
	<b>\$1,001,187</b>	<b>\$1,007,434</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>		
<b>NONPROPERTY TAX REVENUES</b>		
Payment In Lieu of Taxes	\$ 28,332	\$ 28,332
Interest and Earnings	1,000	1,500
State Aid-CHIPS Program	112,000	112,000
Transfers In	70,000	81,000
Use of Accumulated Fund Balance	40,000	20,000
	\$ 251,332	\$ 242,832
<b>PROPERTY TAXES</b>		
	\$ 749,855	\$ 764,602
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>		
	<b>\$1,001,187</b>	<b>\$1,007,434</b>

### Changes In Tax Levy for Town Funds 2012 to 2013

Fund	Property Tax Levy For 2012	Taxable Assessed Value for 2012	Tax Rate per \$1,000 Assessed Value for 2012	Property Tax Levy for 2013	Taxable Assessed Value for 2013	Tax Rate Per \$1,000 Assessed Value for 2012	Tax Rate Change	% Change	Estimated Tax Change for \$100,000 Assessed Home
General Fund	\$ 281,137	\$212,020,759	\$ 1.326	\$ 293,822	\$213,211,935	\$1.378	\$0.052	3.93%	\$ 5.21
Highway Fund	749,855	212,020,759	3.537	764,607	213,211,935	3.586	0.049	1.40%	4.94
Total for Townwide Funds (Note: Tax Impact Excludes County Chargebacks)	1,048,844	212,020,759	4.863	1,058,429	213,211,935	4.964	0.102	2.09%	10.15
County Chargebacks	85,672	212,020,759	0.404	58,234	213,211,935	0.273	(0.131)	-32.41%	(13.09)
Townwide Tax Impact (Includes County Chargebacks)							(0.029)	-30.32%	(2.94)
Sewer District #1 (User Fees)	141,400								
Sewer District #2 (Kalkberg)	1,429	12,450,500	0.115	1,380	12,450,500	0.111	(0.004)	-3.43%	
Lighting District #1	15,900	38,927,833	0.408	19,980	38,983,012	0.513	0.104	25.48%	10.41
Lighting District #2 (Kalkgerg)	2,000	12,450,500	0.161	2,000	12,450,500	0.161	0.000	0.00%	N/A
Water District #1	650	6,749,600	0.096	963	6,804,634	0.142	0.045	46.96%	4.52
Ambulance District #1	25,813	143,984,581	0.179	25,591	144,813,634	0.177	(0.003)	-1.43%	(0.26)
Ambulance District #2	29,311	86,249,581	0.340	30,933	86,634,192	0.357	0,017	5.07%	1.72

### FUND BALANCES AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2012

FUND	FUND BALANCE 12/31/10	ADJUSTED FUND BALANCE	2011 REVENUES	2011 EXPENDITURES	FUND BALANCE 12/31/11
<b>OPERATING FUNDS</b>					
General Fund	\$457,761	\$457,761	\$ 576,000	\$608,351	\$425,410
Highway Fund	54,836	54,836	1,015,962	946,345	124,453
Sewer District #1	64,039	64,039	140,404	130,003	74,440
Sewer District #2	-235	-235	4,860	4,295	330
Lighting District #1	-	-167	17,915	16,214	1,534
Lighting District #2	767	767	2,003	1,230	1,540
Water District #1	-47	-47	558	563	(52)
Water District #2	2,821	2,821	7,907	8,555	2,173
Water District #3	-875	-875	922	925	(878)
Ambulance District #1	17,111	17,111	29,738	31,065	15,784
Ambulance District #2	23,842	23,842	27,633	6,336	45,139
<b>RESERVE FUNDS</b>					
Buildings	\$ 46,877	\$ 46,877	\$ 194		\$ 47,071
Sewer Repair	34,912	34,192	6		34,198
Parks Reserve	11,287	11,287	1,506		12,793
Highway Capital Reserve	19,671	19,671	75		19,746