From The Mayor

On April 8, 2025, the Village Board adopted a new budget for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, effective June 1st. The tax rate will decrease by (\$1.06), making the new tax rate \$1.67/thousand.

In the new budget, \$145,000 will be used to mill and pave Underwood Avenue this will also include installing sidewalks where necessary. The DPW will be purchasing a new refuse truck. We will be starting a 2-year capital project with the construction of a new pole barn for storage of DPW equipment.

Boiler repairs, pointing and some window replacements will be scheduled for the Community Center.

Water rates increased to \$4.22 per 1,000 gallons and the daily consumption rate will increase to \$.28, these charges do match Monroe County Water Authority.

The sewer rates will remain the same as last year at \$165/residential unit. We will continue to do sewer relining and make improvements to our lift stations.

Citizen of the Year

For over forty years, the Apple Festival Committee has tirelessly worked to provide the community with one of the largest festivals in Monroe County.

This event takes countless hours of planning and preparation that lasts the entire year. The non-profit organization, donates all proceeds to local charities.

This year, the Hilton Village Board is pleased to present the 2025 Citizen of the Year award to the past and present volunteers of the Hilton Apple Fest Committee!

Thank you for your dedication and hard work. Hilton would not be the same without you.





Dept of Public Works

Recently, the Village purchased a Vacuum Excavator truck to assist with water main repairs and to determine the water service line material as required by the EPA. This spring you will see our crews utilizing this truck in most neighborhoods, but not every lawn. It will create a hole less than 12" in diameter to inspect water lines. We will repair each hole with dirt and grass seed and if you see further settling, let us know. The vehicle uses a powerful vacuum to remove soil, debris, and other materials and is less destructive than traditional excavation techniques, making it safer for digging around underground utilities. Information will be shared on our website and Facebook as we begin the excavation process throughout the Village.



Automated Water Meters

The installation of automated water meters continues and should be completed by the end of 2025. You will be notified by mail to schedule an appointment for a meter replacement.

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The meters have technology for our staff to obtain readings from the street. You will no longer have to read your meter or return the card to our office. Water bills are mailed out three times a year in May, September and January.

Paving Notice

Underwood Avenue is scheduled for milling and paving this year. You will see employees inspecting sidewalks and gutters for replacement. Residents affected will be notified of the schedule with instructions for lane closures and parking instructions. We will also be relining the sanitary sewer pipes in this neighborhood. We continue to make improvements to the Railroad Avenue lift station. New pumps are being installed in the coming weeks.

Cedar Terrace Sewer Relining Grant

A grant in the amount of \$65,000 has been preliminarily awarded to the Village of Hilton for the relining of the sanitary sewers along a portion of Cedar Terrace. This will improve the sewers along the north side from South Avenue to Bernie Whelehan Drive. This grant is part of the 2025 Annual Action Plan for Housing and Community Development from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Water Quality Report

The Annual Water Quality Report will be available by May 31st. https://www.hiltonny.org/pdf/Water-Quality-report.pdf

Dept of Public Works

Refuse Carts

96-gallon carts are available for \$60 and are yours to keep. One cart per house is collected weekly.

If you use your own containers: A maximum of 3 containers (32-gallon size) are collected per week.

- 25 pounds max per can.
- Damaged carts should be reported right away to the Village DPW 392-9632 for inspection.
- Carts should be placed at the curb by 7 a.m. and brought back to your house that evening, please do not leave containers at the street.

Disposing of your refuse can? Please leave a note on the container clearly stating that you would like it removed. We will take it on your collection day.

Yard Waste Collection Dates

May 30th, June 27th, and September 26th *GRASS, SMALL TWIGS, LEAVES AND DIRT* should be placed in containers, not bags. We will dump waste into a truck for disposal. Place in the tree lawn area by 7 a.m. There is no limit to the amount that can be out for collection.

Dumpsters

6 - Yard **\$200** 9 - Yard **\$230** 10 - Yard **\$250** These are available year round for household projects.

Rental period is Friday through Wednesday. Please call to reserve!

Concrete and Dirt Disposal

There are two concrete/dirt boxes available for residential use. The cost is \$10 and is rented on a first come first serve basis.

Recycling

Please have ALL your recycling out by 7 a.m. on your scheduled pick up day.

We encourage all residents to recycle whenever possible.

Recycling Boxes can be purchased or replaced for \$10.

Cardboard

Please cut/break down cardboard into 2'x 2' squares and stack for pick up. Do not place cardboard or other recycling items into an empty cardboard box. If you have an abundance of cardboard, let us know and we will arrange for collection.

Brush Collection

Large branches over one foot long and larger than one inch in diameter. Collection times:

North side of West Ave/East Ave is the 1st/3rd Friday of each month.

South side of West Ave/East is the 2nd/4th Friday of each month.

Please leave brush in the tree lawn area with the "cut" ends going with the flow of traffic. Please keep branches/limbs as long as possible for chipping. Large piles may require placement behind the public sidewalk.

Professional Tree Services must haul tree and debris, the Village will not collect it.

Refuse Stickers

Bulk: Large items that do not fit in cart/can or bag are \$6 per item. Extra large items \$12 per item.

Standard: Extra bag or can \$2 each

Refrigerators/freezers, A/C units, etc. \$15.

Items left at the curb without stickers will be collected and you will be billed appropriately.

Metal items, including dishwashers, stoves, washers and dryers are collected every Friday at **no charge.**



HOURS OF OPERATION

Find alternate drop off locations by visiting: www.monroecounty.gov/ecopark

Household Hazardous Waste

30 gallons liquid & 75 lbs. solid PER APPOINTMENT

- Automotive Fluids (antifreeze, brake, power steering, and transmission fluids)
- Aerosol Cans
- Cleaners (soaps, waxes, drain cleaners, etc).
- Driveway Sealer
- Flammables
- (gasoline, thinners, solvents, etc.)
- Mercury
- (thermometers, thermostats)
- Paint
- (oil-based & latex more than 1/3 full)
- Fertilizers, Herbicides & Pesticides
 Pool & Photo Chemicals
- Wood Stain & Preservatives

*Schedule HHW appointment at www.monroecounty.gov/ecopark

COMPOST GIVE BACK PROGRAM

- Unwanted leaves are collected from City of Rochester residents and brought to ecopark.
- ecopark turns the leaves into compost and it is made available to residents FREE.
- Flower gardens and landscapes flourish with the use of leaf compost.





Monroe County's recycling program is grant funded, in part, through the NYSDEC.

ecopark ACCEPTS THE FOLLOWING DURING ALL HOURS OF OPERATION:

- Appliances (without refrigerant)
 Bulky Plastic Items
- (no fabric or metal components)
 Cardboard (flattened)
- Clothing & Accessories (Donation)
- Cooking Oil
- Document Destruction
 (temps are destructed of
- (Items are destroyed off site) E-cigarettes, Vape Devices, & E-Liquids
- Bectronic Waste
- · Fire Extinguishers
- Fluorescent Lights/CFL Bulbs
- Pharmaceuticals & Rx Bottles
- Plastic Bags & Wrap Printer Cartridges
- Propane Tanks (1 pound & 20 pound only)
- · Rechargeable & Button Batteries
- Recyclable Glass/Metal/Plastic Containers
- Sharps & Syringes
- Scrap Metal
- TVs/Monitors (tube & flat screen)
- U.S. Flags
- White Packing Styrofoam[™] (Polystyrene Only)

FEE-BASED ITEMS CREDIT/DEBIT CARD ONL

No appointment necessary. See website for current prices

- Appliances with Refrigerant (A/C units, dehumidifiers, refrigerators)
- Passenger Vehicle Tires (with/without rims)



NOT ACCEPTED AT ecopark

- 55 Gallon Drums
- Alkaline Batteries (see WIM's battery tracker)
- Asbestos
- · Building Materials (wood, carpeting, concrete, drywall, etc.)
- Bullets, Flares, Gunpowder, Explosives (call Sheriff's Office or local police department)
- Business Generated Waste (email below)
- Construction/Demolition Waste
 Dried Paint Can or Less Than 1/3 Can
- (discard lid, add kitty litter, stir, let dry, place in trash)
- Fiberglass Products
- Furniture & Mattresses
- Glazing/Spackle/Joint Compound (place in trash)
- Household Garbage/Trash
- Radioactive Materials
- (carbon monoxide and smoke detectors)
- Styrofoam[™] Packing Peanuts & Food Containers (egg cartons, coffee cups, meat trays, etc.)
- Used Motor Oil (contact service station or retailer)

Questions? Visit www.monroecounty.gov/ecopark or email modes@monroecounty.gov





Proper disposal of sharps and syringes is critically important for the protection of the environment and the community, and these items present specific and significant hazards to waste and recycling employees.

There are several simple steps to properly dispose of syringes and sharps used at home for both humans and pets:

NEVER PLACE SHARPS IN TRASH OR RECYCLING!

Additionally, do not put these materials in bottles or cans that are returned for deposit OR flush them down the toilet!

PROPER DISPOSAL METHODS FOR SHARPS and SYRINGES

- •Collect in an approved sharps container
- •If an approved sharps container is not available, place sharps in a STURDY plastic container, such as a laundry detergent jug

Bring containers from home - no businesses or medical offices - to the ecopark for proper disposal during normal business hours, no fee and no appointment necessary.

Visit https://www.monroecounty.gov/ecopark-pharmaceutical for more information on disposal at the ecopark.

Additionally - per New York State, nursing homes and emergency rooms MUST accept sharps for disposal through the Safe Sharps Collection program.

Gode Enforcement

Property Maintenance

Please be mindful of your property and keep your lawns mowed and trimmed. Violations will be given if grass and weeds reach 10 inches. Please do not blow cut grass onto the roadways, this is unlawful and is a danger to motorcyclists.

Backyard Fire Pits

Small, contained fires, such as fire pits and small cooking fires are permitted as long as they are not left unattended and are fully extinguished.

Unlicensed Vehicles

Vehicles must be licensed and registered unless they are stored inside a garage. We may grant a permit for up to 90 days for the outside storage of an unlicensed vehicle. Please call Code Enforcement for details.

Traffic and Nuisance Concerns



A reminder that these issues should be reported to 911 for police response. This includes noise complaints, parking problems and erratic driving. They will respond and take appropriate action.

ATVs, Golf Carts, Electric Scooters and Bikes

All vehicles must be licensed and registered for legal street travel and may not be ridden on sidewalks.

Children should always be supervised when playing near the public sidewalks and driveways.

There is a brand new look along South Avenue! Pleasure Lanes has undergone major renovations and has welcomed several new businesses. Come down and check them out.



Did you know?

Jennejahn Lodge

Reservations are taken one year in advance. Call ahead for your upcoming events. Summer is the busiest time for celebrations!

Vending/Soliciting/Peddling

Permits are required by anyone selling door to door. The Village issues a permit for solicitors and must produce them upon request. If a solicitor cannot produce a valid permit to you, contact the Monroe County Sheriff and please inform the Village Office.

Home Improvement Grants

Monroe County offers home improvement grants for structural repairs, major systems and accessibility accommodations. Depending upon household income and the cost of needed repairs, you may qualify for a grant up to \$20,000. Applications are available at the Village Office. More information is available by calling 585-753-2000.

Summer Hours

Office Hours are 7:30 - 4:30 Monday through Thursday, 7:30 - 1:30 Fridays. DPW Hours are 7:00 - 4:30 Monday through Thursday, 7:00-11:00 Fridays. Village Office phone 585-392-4144



The Hilton Parma Food Shelf continues to be a major contributor to the community.

Congratulations on receiving a Platinum Member rating from Foodlink!

Summertime Fun

This Year a tail-wagging, splash-worthy summer is just around the corner!

The Town of Parma and Hilton-Parma Parks & Recreation are proud to announce the addition of two exciting new amenities at Parma Town Park that are sure to enhance community recreation for residents of all ages — and all pups!

The Bark Yard, Parma's new off-leash dog park, is set to open this spring with a special "Leash Cutting" ceremony scheduled for Friday, May 9 at 10:00 a.m.

This thoughtfully designed, fully fenced-in one-acre dog park offers two dedicated areas for safe and enjoyable play: a large dog area (approx. ¾ acre) and a small dog area (approx. ¼ acre). The space features mature trees offering natural shade, agility play equipment, benches for dog owners, waste stations, and a lighted pavilion equipped with tables for added comfort.

Access to The Bark Yard is available to registered members only. The park operates in partnership with the Monroe County Dog Park System, which requires each dog to be individually registered before use. The annual registration fee is \$24 and allows badge holders to access all dog parks in the Monroe County system.

Registration must be completed prior to visiting the park or attending the grand opening event.

Parma Town Park Sprayground

Big fun for the little ones is on the way! Construction is moving along on the much-anticipated Sprayground at Parma Town Park — a brand-new, aquatic play area designed to help families cool off, stay active, and enjoy the outdoors during the summer months.

Spring Fishing Derby with Rochester Bassmasters

Ages 3 -16

Parma Town Park, Saturday, May 17th 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Bring your own pole, bait provided. Prizes for each age group, overall winner for the largest fish!

5K Color Run Sources of Strength

Flex your strength Mental Health Wellness Hilton Community Center, Saturday, May 17th, Race check in at 9 am, Event time 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Clams and Bands Concert & Clambake in the Park with Hilton Rotary

6/7/25 4 p.m. - 8 p.m. Free Admission food and beverages available.

Summer Smash, Food Truck Rodeo, Live Music & Fireworks

July 25th 5 p.m. - 10 p.m., Parma Town Park

Movie Under the Stars - "A Mindcraft Movie"

Bouncies, Activities and Food Trucks, August 22nd, Parma Town Park at 6:30 p.m. Movie starts at 8:15 p.m., Free Admission, Food & Beverages available for purchase.

Pre-registration required for most events Call HP Rec for more info at 585-392-9030

Historian Update

Submitted by Dave Crumb, Village Historian

Celebrating 200 years of the Erie Canal

This year 2025 marks the 200th anniversary of New York States famous Erie Canal. While the Canal does not go through Parma or Hilton, it might have gone through Parma, had not South Parma voted to form their own township, Ogden in 1817. Nevertheless, Parma benefited immensely once the canal opened as far as Brockport in 1823. Land sales were brisk and by 1850 all the good farmland in Parma was spoken for and settled. The 1852 E.J. Browne Landowners' Map confirms this. Of course, other Lake Ontario towns bordering the shoreline benefited as well.

For the settlers who had established themselves during the "hard years" of 1796-1820 their land values increased. They were able to find new markets for their grain products in the east and enjoy lower shipping costs. They could also travel with greater ease to visit relatives both east and west on the canal.

A large influx of new settlers came to Parma from towns and villages around Albany where they could gain easy passage on the Canal. Names of these families on the historical record are: Amidon, Barringer, Burritt (Grafton-Sand Lake), Cropsey (Sand Lake), Clapper, Clint, Childs (Sand Lake), Collamer (Malta), Curtis (Camillus and Saratoga), Miller, Simmons (Poestenkill), Smith (Duanesburg), Wheeler, and Whyland (Poestenkill). Some of these families knew each other before arriving in Parma and later their children married. Some of their descendants still reside here.

To celebrate this event the Parma Hilton Historical Society will host Derrick Pratt, Curator of the Erie Canal Museum in Syracuse as guest speaker for the annual PHHS banquet on May 12th. Other events taking place in western N.Y. are numerous Erie Canal walking tours in the Villages on the Canal, World Canal Conference in Buffalo, and a replica of DeWitt Clinton's (Father of the Erie Canal), Seneca Chief. This was the boat that opened the Canal in Buffalo in 1825. Dignitaries of the day along with a barrel of Lake Erie water made the first trip east to Albany. Along the way they stopped in towns, cities and villages including Brockport, Spencerport and Rochester. This event will be replicated on September 26, 2025 with several local stops. Once in Albany the barrel of Lake Erie water will be mixed with Hudson River water to replicate the "Wedding of the Waters" as was done in 1825.

The Erie Canal, today, is a treasure for New York State and the communities it passes through. It offers walking trails, boating, history, nature, and a wealth of other recreational diversions.





Stuff a Bus Food Donation Drive

Where: Tops Market June 7th, June 28th, July 19th 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Thank you for supporting the

Hilton Parma Food Shelf!



2025 Holiday Schedule for Refuse and Recycling

All Dept's Closed	Collection Date
May 26th	Tuesday, May 27th
June 19th	Wednesday, June 18th
July 4th	No change to schedule
September 1st	Tuesday, September 2nd
October 13th	Tuesday, October 14th
November 11th	Wednesday, November 12th
	Wednesday, November 25th
December 25th & 26th	Wednesday, December 24th
	May 26th June 19th July 4th September 1st October 13th November 11th November 27th & 28th

