



# COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

...keeping residents informed of important town news

**TOWN CLERK:** Marie Cronin  
Hours: **Mon., Tues.** Thurs., Fri. — 11 AM - 4 PM  
8102 Dock Street, Montezuma, NY 13117  
Phone: (315) 776-8844. Ext. 1  
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**DEPUTY TOWN CLERK:** Shawn Dingman  
Hours: Wed. 8-11 AM; 3:30-4:30 PM

**TOWN BOARD MEMBERS** - Supervisor: David Corey; Councilman & Deputy Town Supervisor: Lee Brew, Councilmen: Thomas Fitzsimmons, Joel Glimpse, Thomas Hitchcock Jr.

**BOARD MEETING** - Third Tues.— 6:00 PM

**TOWN HIGHWAY DEPT** - Ken Cook, Deputy Supt., Chapman Road  
Phone & Fax: 315-776-4315  
Email: [montezumahighway@gmail.com](mailto:montezumahighway@gmail.com)

**WINTER HOURS:** 5 AM–3:30 PM Mon.-Thurs; on duty as needed for weather conditions

**TOWN ASSESSOR** - Jeff Lowe Office:  
315-776-8844; **Cell** :315-783-4104 - Hours:  
Wed. 5:00-8:00 PM or by appointment

**CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER** - John E. Greer; Office: 315-776-8844; Cell 315-730-2408.  
Hours: Tues., 4-6 PM

**PLANNING BOARD CLERK/HISTORIAN**-  
Cheryl Longyear; Call for appointment:  
315-776-4656

**PLANNING BOARD MEETING** - 2ND TUES - 7 PM as required.

**TAX COLLECTOR** - Donna Burleton; Phone:  
Office: 315-776-8844, Extension 4; Home  
315-776-8583

**COURT CLERK** - Kathy Smith; Clerk Hours:  
Mon. & Thurs.-10 AM-1 PM Phone:  
315-776-9163; Fax: 315-776-9908

**COURT HOURS:** First, Second & Third Wed, - 7 PM; Fourth Wed. - 6 PM; Fifth Wed. - No Court.



## 2022 Election Voting

### General Election

**November 8, 2022**

**Montezuma Town Hall**  
8102 Dock Street - 6 AM - 9 PM

**Early Voting October 29 -**  
**November 6, 2022** For early voting

**locations and times, visit:** <https://www.cayugacounty.us/1541/Early-Voting-Information>

**Online Ballot:** <https://www.cayugacounty.us/DocumentCenter/View/20821/Montezuma>

### Approval of Redistricting Local Law

Every ten years, following the completion of the national census, counties are required to examine their legislative districts. On May 24th of this year, the Legislature adopted a local law that would create eleven (11) legislative districts in Cayuga County to replace the current fifteen (15) districts. If approved on Election Day, the 11 legislative districts will be in effect for the next election of county legislators to take place in November, 2023, and the legislators in the new districts will take office on January 1, 2024 for four-year terms.

Montezuma would be in the 2nd Legislative District including all of the Towns of Conquest, Montezuma, Mentz, and Throop. For more information visit: <https://www.cayugacounty.us/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=1928>.

### Clean Water, Clean Air, and Green Jobs Environmental Bond Act of 2022 Ballot

To address and combat the impact of climate change and damage to the environment, the "Clean Water, Clean Air, and Green Jobs Environmental Bond Act of 2022" authorizes the sale of state bonds up to four billion two hundred million dollars to fund environmental protection, natural restoration, resiliency, and clean energy projects.

### A Local Law providing for the abolition of the Elected Highway Superintendent and the creation of the appointed Position of Highway Superintendent on Ballot

It has become increasingly difficult to fill the Highway Superintendent position with a qualified individual living in Town. This would allow the Town Board to appoint a qualified candidate for the position from outside the town limits to effectively carry out the duties and ensure our highways are properly maintained.

## Water Department

### Water Billing Clerk

**Heather Tanner**

Office Hours:

Mondays 4 - 5:30 PM

Wednesdays 9 - 11 AM

Phone: 315-776-8844

Email:

[montezumawaterclerk@yahoo.com](mailto:montezumawaterclerk@yahoo.com)

### Payments:

Please mail or use the drop box outside the Town Hall for the safety of our customers.

### Montezuma Water District #1

PO Box 357

Montezuma, NY 13117

### Billing Information:

Water Meters are read quarterly. Bills are due 30 days from billing date; 10% penalty added to bill after thirty (30) days. Water bills **not paid after 60 days**, the water will be shut off.

Full payments (ONLY)

### Emergency Water Contacts

#### Water Operator: Stan Longyear

315-406-6572 (cell); 315-776-4656 (home); if not available, call:

#### Deputy Highway Supt; Ken Cook

315-776-4315 (garage); Cell: 315-224-7759

#### Water Committee: Councilman Tom

**Fitzsimmons** 315-776-5222 (home)

Water Committee meetings are held monthly. Please contact the Water Clerk during office hours for date & time of the next meeting.

Let us know if you have a community event to promote.

It can be placed in this newsletter, on Facebook and the Town website.

Cheryl Longyear, Editor  
315-776-4656  
[cml115@tds.net](mailto:cml115@tds.net)

## Upcoming Meetings

Meetings are open to the public and held at the Town Hall, 8102 Dock Street unless otherwise specified. Please sign-in when entering the meeting room and save public comments for time given at the end of the Town Board's meeting.

### Town Board Public Hearing Preliminary 2023 Budget

**Thursday, November 10, 2022 - 6 PM** - A copy of the budget will be available to inspect at the Town Clerk's office during regular office hours.

### Planning Board Meeting:

**Tuesday, November 8, 2022 - 7 PM**

### Town Board Monthly Meeting

**Tuesday, November 15, 2022 - 6 PM**

## Announcements:

**Highway Department Winter Hours** are now effective from 5 am-3:30 pm **Monday -Thursday**. Winter will be here before you know it. Please don't park on the road so we can make sure the roads are plowed and safe. Thank you, Highway Department.

**Property Tax Questions** - Property owners must now contact the Cayuga County Treasurer's office at 315-253-1211 with any questions regarding payment of property taxes.

**Cayuga County Youth Bureau** - The County has recently allocated \$250,000 American Rescue Plan Act funding to hire a new full time director and establish new programs for youth. If you are interested in helping coordinate a program to help youth in Montezuma, please contact the Town Office at 315-776-8844.

### Position Vacancies:

- **Planning Board** - Please contact David Corey, Town Supervisor, if you are interested in serving the Town Planning Board at 315-776-8844. More information about the Planning Board position is available on the town website at: <https://townofmontezuma.org/announcements-position-vacancies/>
- **Court Clerk - Part Time (10 hours per week)** - Must have good communication and computer skills and be discreet. Will train right person. Must be a resident of the Town of Montezuma. Must be available **Wednesday** evenings and various hours during day. Call 315-776-9163 (**Monday** or **Thursday** 10am - 1 pm) with questions or send resume [toksmith5@nycourts.gov](mailto:toksmith5@nycourts.gov). Thank you, Town Court Clerk Kathy Smith.

