

# THE VILLAGE STATUS

Village of North  
Collins, NY

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## FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

**Dear Residents:**

The Village of North Collins Fire Company softball team won their 4<sup>th</sup> straight Erie County Fire Department baseball title. Congratulations goes out to the team.

School House 8 displayed an exhibit at the Hamburg Fair. Out of 21 exhibits, the School House finished 3<sup>rd</sup>. Congratulations to those people who put their time and energy into this project. If you haven't had the chance, take time when they open again in the spring to visit the old school house across from the Library.

For the 14<sup>th</sup> straight year, North Collins Central School students and teachers participated in the Bald for Buck Fundraiser for Roswell Park. They raised over \$23,000 this year bringing their overall 14-year total to over \$170,000. Hats off to our own Tony George who started this fundraiser in honor of his sister Cathy who died after a long battle with cancer.

Trustee Kitty Myers received a Public Service Award from the New York Conference of Mayors. Trustee Myers was a Village Deputy Clerk for 2 years, Village Clerk for 26 years, and Village Trustee/Deputy Mayor for 5 years. Trustee Myers has been dedicated to looking out for the residents. I have always had the greatest trust and confidence in her, work closely with her during budget time, and rely on her vast knowledge concerning all aspects of the village. Congratulations goes out to Kitty Myers for receiving a much-deserved award.

Congratulations goes out to the North Collins Central School Varsity Girls Volleyball team. The team ended up with a record of 16 wins and 0 losses. Considering the larger schools they play, this was one outstanding season.

For the second year in a row, North Collins Varsity Boys are the Class D Boys Soccer Champion. They will now play in their 11<sup>th</sup> Far West Regional in 20 seasons. Congratulations to the Boys Varsity Soccer team on being Section Champs.

On October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019, Tractor Supply had their Grand Opening. Residents in the Village and surrounding communities have been waiting for this important arrival of a major business. We are the 1,801<sup>st</sup> Tractor Supply store to open in the United States.

Throughout the year, Erie County Sheriff's Traffic Division will be patrolling Langford Road, School Street, and other Village roads for speeders and trucks not allowed on some streets.

Eight properties in our Village were bid on at the Erie County Tax Foreclosure Auction—seven made it completely through the process and are now under new ownership. Two properties were purchased by BENLIC, the Erie/Niagara County Land Bank. Most of these properties have had problems for many years. We are looking forward to those problems being resolved by the new owners.

The Village has purchased a 2020 Police Interceptor Utility vehicle to replace the 2006 police car. The new vehicle will be equipped with up-to-date equipment such as a license plate reader—a device that allows officers on patrol to scan the plates of passing vehicles to determine if the cars have been linked to crimes, if the drivers have outstanding fines, and more. The vehicle should arrive mid-December and be ready early in 2020.

The New York State Department of Transportation will be replacing the Big Sisters Tributary bridge on Route 62 in the Village. It's located between Wentland's Funeral Home and Southside Avenue. The project is currently anticipated to begin the spring of 2021 and to be completed by the fall of 2021. We have asked the DOT to choose option "B" which would keep one lane of the bridge open during construction in order to keep traffic flowing through our Village.

On October 26th between 10am and 1:30pm, forty-four (44) pounds of pills were dropped off at the Village Police Station as part of the DEA's National Drug Take Back Day. Look for the next Drug Take Back Day in the Spring of 2020.

Mail delivery has returned to the North Collins Post Office. Starting October 26<sup>th</sup>, our mail is no longer sorted in Eden for delivery in North Collins. Mail comes directly to the North Collins Post Office, is sorted, and, if you have home delivery, is delivered to your mailbox. That means that if a package needs to be held at the Post Office for pick-up, you will no longer have to travel to Eden to pick it up—just visit the North Collins branch.

I would like to say "THANK YOU" to all residents who have, this past spring and summer, improved and kept up your properties. Every little bit improves the appearance of our Village.

Sincerely,  
Mayor Vincent George

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## WINTER DATES TO REMEMBER:

*Water Bills are due without  
penalty Thurs., Jan. 2, 2020*

Village Offices/Departments will be  
**closed** on the following days:  
(Please use the overnight  
drop-box on the left of the  
Village Clerk's door)

***Dec. 24-25: Christmas Holiday***  
***Dec. 31-Jan. 1: New Year's Holiday***  
***Jan. 20: MLK Jr. Day***  
***Feb. 17: President's Day***

**Village Board Meetings,  
Village Hall (open to public):**  
Monday, Dec. 16, 2019; 6:30pm  
Tuesday, Jan. 21, 2020; 6:30pm  
Tuesday, Feb. 18, 2020; 6:30pm

## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Mayor Vincent George .....(Cell) 570-5992  
Public Works- Mike Perry.....(Cell) 570-5991  
Village Office- Clerk- Jan Hutchinson .....337-3160  
Email: [VillageClerk@VillageofNorthCollins.org](mailto:VillageClerk@VillageofNorthCollins.org)  
Code Enforcement- Phil Tremblay..... 548-2372  
Animal Control—Ray Zabron.....992-9344  
Erie County Sheriff (non-emergency).....858-2903  
Emergency ..... **911**  
Erie County Sewer .....549-3161  
Sewer After Hours.....823-8188  
NYS DOT Hamburg.....648-0295  
North Collins Fire (office) .....337-3294  
North Collins EMS (office)..... 337-2195

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99411 to sign up.**

Locate your main water shut-off  
valve. Hang an I.D. tag on the  
valve so that you can find it quickly  
in an emergency.