

**ASSESSOR/CODES
MONTHLY REPORT
February 2014**

CODE ENFORCEMENT

1. Attached is the monthly report for permit activity.
2. Aimee successfully completed her yearly 24 hours of continuing education for Code Enforcement at the New York State Building Officials Conference in Lake Placid.
3. New/Updated version of the ICC/New York Codes will be coming late 2014 or early 2015.

ASSESSOR

1. There will be a meeting with Barry Baker and other county Assessor's on March 27th at the county office building in Lake Pleasant. Tim or Aimee will attend.
2. Aimee reviewed Building Permit activity from 2013 and adjusted assessments on property where construction or demolition occurred. The assessments are based on what real property exists on Taxable Status Day, March 1, 2014.

Parks Dept. Report For Feb 7th - March 7th -, 2014

Mitch Lee Parks Supervisor

1. A Donation of \$75.00 was made on Feb 12th in thanks of good grooming at Fern Park on the ski trails. By the Anthony and Debora Anker Family of Fredericksburg V.A.
2. THE NYS DEC picnic tables project has only about 10 tables left to stain, all are constructed.
3. We replaced a fan on the Yamaha Snowmobile in house.
4. Parks Truck was inspected and a new seat cover was purchased.
5. Quarterly Water Tests will go to Verona Lab on March 11th or 12th based on best weather day to travel.
6. The parks would like the The Board to Approve the purchase of a Grassland Toro Mower as we can get a great price, \$8,943.90 if we send a PO on Wed March 12th.
7. Cross Country ski Grooming and Ice maint. Continues as we have had good weather and will suspend when temperatures and conditions change.
8. A new backup Taco 008 Circulator pump has arrived from Raquette Lake supply, this is a much cheaper brand pump that he assures us will work very well with our system. We will continue to upgrade to these as each circulator fails.
9. Proposals for work on Cottage three for bids are in the hands of the Town Clerk who is making EWC revisions.

Information Office Report

of the month February 2014

1. **Next newsletter deadline will be 5:00 PM on Wednesday, March 12.** This newsletter will be out for the months of April, May & June.
2. Balance in Petty Cash on February 28 was \$6.61.
3. 9 information packets were sent out of this office during the month of February.
4. As of February 28, this office processed 453 preseason, 25 weekday only, 241 seasonal, 226 weekly, 15 upgrade & 14 replacement snowmobile permits. Just an FYI – Old Forge processed 7345, 106, 2415, 1974, 106 & 151*. *these numbers include online sales. Our numbers last year at this time were: 454 preseason, 20 weekday only, 346 seasonal, 316 weekly, 17 upgrades & 26 replacements.
5. As of February 28 this office has collected \$3,980 for “Arts in the Park” (48 vendors) and \$1,705 for Fall Festival (28 vendors). Applications are available at www.InletArtsinthePark.com and www.InletFallFestival.com.
6. The April CAA meeting will most likely be an evening meeting.
7. Frozen Fire & Lights was another success! See report & thank you attached.
8. I will be out of the office from April 5-21 on Spring Break, physically out of town/state from April 5-14. As always, I can be reached via email or voicemail on my cell if needed during any of this time.
9. I am working on Community Pride Day, which is scheduled for Wednesday, May 7th. Speculator has joined us in the clean up this year! Deadline to be on the shirt is March 25th. See sponsorship form attached.
10. Black Fly Challenge committee has been meeting and is planning bike rodeo activities to be held at Fern Park the day after the race. This is also Father’s Day so we are hoping to make this father/child friendly. If you are interested in helping with the rodeo, contact Mike Drake. Details on www.BlackFlyChallenge.com
11. One Square Mile of Hope has over 240 boats registered. If we have 500 boats registered by April 1st, Connie Perry will donate an Aquabound 230 cm Stingray Hybrid Paddle with TLC ferrule which will be given to one of those lucky 500. Still looking for volunteers and sponsors, so please spread the word! www.OneSquareMileofHope.com
12. I have not heard from Adirondack Lakes Center for the Arts on the DEC Grant application for the summer concert series.
13. Some near future events to think about:
 - a. March 14 – St. Patty’s Parade in Old Forge
 - b. March 15 – Irish Road Bowling in Indian Lake
 - c. March 15 – Al Nathan & Bluestreak @ View
 - d. March 16 – Pond Skimming @ McCauley Mt.
 - e. March 22 & 23 – NYS Maple Weekend @ McCombs Oak Hill Farm
 - f. March 30 – Cabin Fever Sunday @ Adirondack Museum
14. Inlet event dates for 2014:
 - a. January 24-26 – Adirondack Ice Bowl
 - b. January 31 & February 1 – Barnstormers Poker Run
 - c. February 22 – Frozen Fire & Lights / Cardboard Sled Race
 - d. March 14 – “Let’s Get Crooked!”
 - e. April 5-20 – “Spring Break”
 - f. April 26 – Inlet Youth Commission Egg Hunt?
 - g. May 4 – Pizza Eating Contest

- h. May 7 – Community Pride Day
- i. May 16-18 – The “Otter” Paddlesports Event
- j. May 26 – Hamilton County Memorial Day Parade?
- k. June 7 – National Trails Day
- l. June 14 & 15 – Black Fly Challenge
- m. June 21 – Adirondack Memory Walk
- n. June 29 – Freedom March of the Adirondacks
- o. July 4 – Ping Pong Ball Drop, Live Music by Fulton Chain Gang & Fireworks
- p. July & August – Saturday Evening Concerts (InletConcertSeries.com)
- q. July 16 – Inlet Historical Society presents “Inlet Hotels”
- r. July 19 – Walking History Tour of Downtown Inlet
- s. July 19 & 20 – “Arts in the Park”
- t. July 25 – “An Evening with the Symphony”
- u. July 26 – Adirondack Car Cruise-In
- v. July 26 – Shakespeare in the Park
- w. July 27 – 10th Mt. Div. Band?
- x. August 13 – Inlet Historical Society presents Program by Charlie Herr
- y. August 16 – Walking History Tour of Downtown Inlet
- z. August 17 – IVES Golf Tournament
- aa. August 23 – Cousins That Care 5K
- bb. September 6 – IVES Clam Bake & BBQ
- cc. September 13 – One Square Mile of Hope
- dd. September 17 – Inlet Historical Society presents “The Wild Side of Inlet”
- ee. September 20 & 21 – Fall Festival
- ff. October 4 – Adirondack Kids Day
- gg. October 24 – Halloween Parade & Party
- hh. November 13 – Shine a Light on Lung Cancer Vigil
- ii. November 28-30 – Adirondack Christmas on Main
- jj. December 14 – Cookie Swap

Review of 2014 Fire & Lights 12th Annual

Ideas for 2014

- King & Queen? Prince & Princess? Duke & Duchess?
- Business Class for Cardboard Sled Race
- Bullhorn absolute must for cardboard sled race
- Hockey puck contest
- Fat bike race

August Paul started reminding businesses and individuals of the upcoming fireworks display.

Saturday, September 14 Adele email Long Lake (Alex), Indian Lake (Vonnie) & Old Forge (Mike & Laurie) asking if they were all willing to repeat the Circuit Races. Vonnie & Alex both said yes. Mike & Laurie both said yes after explaining the race is run by the school and noting that it seemed not to make extra work for anyone.

Friday, September 27 Adele updated the InletFrozenFireandLights.com page.

Tuesday, November 5 Adele emailed iceculture inc. inquiring about some interactive ice ideas. Adele submitted the event to the following online calendars: WKTV, YNN, NCPR, 9WSYR, Adirondack.net, UticaOD, NPR

Tuesday, January 7 Adele spoke with Nancy Jennings to confirm hours for the Library's Book Sale.

Friday, January 17 a press release was emailed to The Adirondack Express, Hamilton County Express & The Weekly Adirondack. A poster was emailed to Inlet area businesses and the Town of Webb Visitor Center, asking them to please print and hang the poster.

Tuesday, January 28 Paul Chambers & Ron SteMarie began plans for 120cc/Kitty Cat races during this event. Paul talked to Mitch about setting up a track on the ball field at Fern Park. Paul will contact John Frey about insurance for this. Adele looked up rules that would apply to these races and asked Mike Ross to share anything from the races he runs during Snodeo. The highway department began constructing the snow wall at Arrowhead beach and dumped a pile of snow for Shelby & Autumn.

Friday, January 31 an email blast was sent out through Constant Contact about the event.

Friday, February 7 Parks Department began grooming the sledding hill. Press release ran in the Weekly with some errors about the circuit.

Tuesday, February 11 it was decided to cancel the 120 runs. The town was willing to host it and the vintage snow sled group was willing to provide the insurance, however the runs needed an entity to take ownership of it. Hopes are next year the IABA will run this event.

Wednesday, February 12 Adele ordered 6 trophies and 26 dog tags for the Cardboard Sled Races. The tags simply said "Cardboard Sled Race – Inlet, NY" and will be given to every participant in a winning sled. The trophies also do not have a date on them, but there is one for each: Best in Show, Great Spirit, Business Class, Fastest – Class I, Fastest – Class II, and Fastest – Class III.

Tuesday, February 18 the trophies arrived. A full-page ad ran in the Express.

Friday, February 21 it rained pretty hard until about 3:00, it then changed into snow, leaving about 2 inches of new snow on top of wet and ice.

Saturday, February 22 Rob groomed the sledding hill, which came out nice. Mary had the Noah's Ark Animal Workshop set up in the Senior Room and a fire was going at Fern Park by 11:30. 21 sleds registered for the Cardboard Sled Race. Would have had 22, but one sled (SS Minnow) was built on top of a plastic sled. The bullhorn from the police department was again a big help. I am not sure how the book sale went at the Library, but the Noah's Ark Animal Workshop was a big hit this year. Robin Murdock was alone for the first hour, so Adele helped until Jamie White came. Paul had the bonfire going at Arrowhead Park by 2:30 and everything else set up at Arrowhead by 4:00 and was serving hotdogs & hot cider before 5:30. Raffle tickets for a kayak benefiting the Inlet Historical Society were sold. The awesome fireworks by American Fireworks went off right at 7:00 and the last of 600 hot dogs was given away soon after the show was over. All the hot dogs were donated by Doug & Betty Hugelmaier.

Wednesday, February 26 Adele & Paul got together to make sure everyone was thanked for the great weekend in a press release that will be sent to the Adirondack Express and the Weekly Adirondack and also posted on InletNY.com & Inlet's Facebook page.

Ideas for 2015

- King & Queen?
- More awarded categories for Cardboard Sled Race
- 120 & Kitty Cat races
- Hockey puck contest
- Fat bike race

Frozen Fire & Lights Thank You

The Town of Inlet and the Inlet Area Business Association would like to say Thank You to all those who made the 12th Annual Frozen Fire & Lights a great success!

At Fern Park, the sledding hill was a very popular spot, and the ski trails were enjoyed by many, while a nice fire was burning to keep everyone warm. The Inlet Public Library had some visitors stop in for their book sale. The Inlet Youth Commission had a very nice turnout for their Noah's Ark Animal Workshop held at the Inlet Town Hall. Around 5:30 people started gathering around the huge bonfire at Arrowhead Park, where free hot cider and Zweigle's hot dogs were served and raffle tickets for an Ellie Sound 120 XE Kayak were sold to benefit the Inlet Historical Society. This kayak will be raffled off on September 13, 2014. Promptly at 7:00 PM began the awesome display of fireworks by American Fireworks out of Utica. As Paul Chambers promised, the show was "bigger, brighter, louder, longer!" After the fireworks, many wandered over to Matt's Draft House @ Screamen Eagle for Wine & Chocolate Sampling and then over to The Woods Inn for live entertainment by Double Barrel.

The 4th Annual Cardboard Sled Race was another success! We had 21 entries and handed out 5 trophies. Speed was broken down into three categories by age. In youngest group Addison, Coutney & Natalie Hitchcock of Eagle Bay took home the trophy in their "Olympic Bobsled (Inlet 2014)" with a time of 8.18 seconds. Fastest in the middle group was the "Mystery Machine" piloted by Hunter, Amanda & John Lincoln of Canandaigua with a time of 5.9 seconds. Fastest in the oldest group went to Raigan & Mackenzie LaPorte of Eagle Bay in their "Military Jeep" with a time of 6.41 seconds. Because their jeep was so impressive, they also took home the trophy for "Best in Show". And award for Great Spirit (and the most rolls with a smile on her face) went to Charlotte Clark of Inlet in "Pink Bullet". Thank you to Dennis Hudson for his master of ceremonies performance and for manning the starting line at the top of the Fern Park sledding hill. Thank you to the following for their assistance with judging, timing, inspecting, registration and making sure the sleds stayed upright: Adele Burnett, Margie & Bruce O'Hara, Nancy Jennings, Patty Wittmeyer, Jason & Lisa Smith, and John & Andrea Frey. We are looking forward to next year's entries!

Thank you to the following for their contributions towards the fireworks: Central Adirondack Association - Adirondack Bank - Adirondack Fairway B&B - Adirondack Reader - Big Moose Yamaha - BJ Queen Enterprises - Tim & Jill Brownsell - Burkhard Evans - Cinnamon Bear B&B - Clark Energy - Clark's Marina & Snowmobile Rentals - Construction Effects - Brad Damon - Deer Meadows Motel - Drake's Inn - Eagle Bay Village - Leo Fadel - French Louie ADK Sports - Frisky Otter Tours - Don Gerace - Golden Acres - Hard Times Café - Inlet Barnstormers Snowmobile Club - Inlet

Department Store – Inlet Golf Club – Kalil’s Grocery – Levi Lumber – Marina Motel – Eugene Melnychuk – Mike Marluea Builder – Nelson’s Cottages – The Ole Barn – The Parquet House – Lee Peabody – Pedals & Petals – Quinn’s Cottages – Raquette Lake Supply Co. – Red Dog Tavern – Richard Lutz Building & Mechanical – Rocky Point Properties – Nick Rose – Screamen Eagle Pizza – Jane Slack – Penny Stuart – T’s EZ Mart – Tamarack Café – Ted Payne’s Bus Service – The Wine Shop – The Woods Inn – Zone 3.

Thank you to the following for their time spent setting everything up, attending bonfires and manning hospitality booths: Paul & Reggie Chambers, Aimee VanWie, Dennis & Barb Thibado, Lisa Gambacorta, Mitch Lee, Jay Latterman, Amy Townsend, and the Rochester Post Explorers.

Thank you to the Town of Inlet Highway Department and Parks Department for moving snow, grooming the sledding hill and trails, moving tables, and everything else necessary to ready the parks for this event.

Huge thank you to Mary’s White Pine Bakery for supplying hot dogs & cider, and to the Inlet Youth Commission for providing the grill. Thank you to the Inlet Emergency Services for being on standby with the ambulance at the sled races and the fireworks. Thank you to Mary Marleau & Jamie White of the Inlet Youth Commission for hosting the Noah’s Ark Animal Workshop with lots of help from Robin Murdock. Thank you to American Fireworks for an awesome show! Thank you to the Town of Inlet and the Inlet area businesses for their support during this event. And thank you all for your enthusiasm.

And if we have missed anyone, forgive us. Thanks again for a wonderful weekend.

Inlet Area Business Association

Community Pride Day ‘14

Our 13th Annual Community Pride Day is scheduled for Wednesday, **May 7, 2014**.

Volunteers will receive a **free t-shirt** and a **free lunch**. To clean up in the Inlet area, stop in the Inlet Information Office after 9:00 AM to pick up your shirt, trash bags, gloves and to sign up for a section of highway. In the Eagle Bay/Big Moose area - Eagle Bay Fire Hall; in the Old Forge/Thendara area - the Webb Visitor Center; in Raquette Lake - the Tap Room; in Long Lake - Mt. Sabattis parking lot; in Indian Lake - Indian Lake Town Hall.

All sponsors of at least \$30.00, and anyone who contributes towards lunch, will have a one line listing (name only or website only) on the back of the shirts. Anyone contributing \$100 gets their name (with phone # OR website) OR logo on the shirts. If you want to be on the shirts, you must send your contribution, or make your lunch commitment, **BEFORE MARCH 25th**.

If you are able to participate in this event, or you would like to sponsor it, please fill out the form below and mail it to: Inlet Information Office, PO Box 266, Inlet, NY 13360.

If you have questions or other ideas for the day, let us know:

In **Inlet or Eagle Bay**, Inlet Information Office @ 315-357-5501, info@inletny.com

In **Old Forge or Thendara**, Webb Visitor Center @ 315-369-6983, info@oldforogeny.com

In **Raquette Lake or Long Lake**, Long Lake Parks & Rec. @ 518-624-3077, deerland@frontiernet.net

In **Indian Lake or Blue Mountain Lake**, Indian Lake @ 518-648-5828, indianlakeea@frontiernet.net

In **Speculator/Arietta/Morehouse**, Speculator Region CoC @ 518-548-4521, info@speculatorchamber.com

So **mark your calendars! May 7** is the day to clean up town and get ready for a prosperous summer!

Community Pride Day Sign Up Sheet

if sponsoring with \$30 or food,

Name: _____

(please print the name **OR** website you would like to see on the shirt)

if sponsoring with \$100,

Name: _____

Phone #: _____ **OR** Website: _____

(please print the name, website **OR** phone # you would like to see on the shirt)

(If you would like to have your logo on the shirt, please email it to info@inletny.com)

_____ Yes, I am interested in volunteering during Community Pride Day. I will stop in the assigned location for my town some time after 9:00 AM to pick up my shirt, trash bags & gloves and sign up for a section of roadway to clean. (We encourage you to sign up early, but you may not be able to pick up your shirt, trash bags & gloves until the day of.)

_____ Yes, I am interested in sponsoring Community Pride Day by donating:

_____ Lunch (You will be contacted for details)

_____ Monetary contribution enclosed

Please make check payable to: Central Adirondack Association
 And mail to Inlet Information Office, PO Box 266, Inlet, NY 13360
(BEFORE MARCH 25th TO BE INCLUDED ON THE T-SHIRTS)

Suggestions or ideas: