VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

Summer 2026 ***Village Office located at 509 Liberty Street*** *PUBLISHED QUARTERLY*

VILLAGE BOARD…315-639-6260
Mayor: James Eves Trustees: Bruce Nutting, Richard Stevenson
Deputy Mayor: Bruce Nutting Renee Stano, Mike Lane
Village Board Meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 4:00 PM in the Village Office Conference Room, located at 509 Liberty St, with the exception of April's meeting held the 2nd Tuesday and December's reorganizational meeting which is held on the 1st Monday both at 4:00 PM

VILLAGE MANAGER…315-639-6260
Stephen Lane

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS…315-639-4200
Working Foreman: Mathew Shawcross
Staff: Justin Green, Kyle Rust

VILLAGE CLERKS OFFICE…315-639-6260 Fax: 315-639-3121
Monday-Thursday 8:00am-4:00pm July & August 8:00am-3:00pm
www.villageofdexterny.gov
Email: mayordexter@villageofdexterny.com
Village Clerk-Treasurer: Michelle McGrann Deputy Clerk-Treasurer: Danielle Queior

PLANNING BOARD
Chairman: Stephanie Ferguson Members: Deborah Harmann, Carol Oliver, Charlene Mannigan
Vice Chairman: Brian Moore Tammy Hanson, Tiffany Ladd
Regular meetings are held the last Monday of each month at 6:30 PM, in the Village Office Conference Room, located at 509 Liberty St, unless there is no business.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
Chairman: Donald Butler Members: Amy Kenney, Ryan McIntosh, David Ladd
Vice Chairman: John Stano
Regular meetings are held the last Monday of January, April, July, & October at 6:30 PM, in the Village Office Conference Room located at 509 Liberty St, unless there is no business.

ZONING/ BUILDING CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER
James Millington: **315-639-6260** or **315-771-2772**
You may be required to have a building permit for construction, demolition, furnace or wood stove installation, plumbing alteration or electrical updates, roof replacements, & installation of pools or fencing within the Village of Dexter. This is a partial list of what may require permits. New York State has revised code requirements for many building permits including roofing. If you are considering improvements to your property, it is recommended you contact Mr. Millington to see if a building permit is required. Permit applications can be found on the Village website, mailed, or picked up at the village office.

VILLAGE HISTORIAN…315-639-3522
John Stano **jstano366@gmail.com**
New! Dexter Historical Society & Last Station Website www.dexternymuseum.org . The Museum, 105 East Kirby Street, will be open Saturday & Sunday's, June through August, from 12PM-2PM John would appreciate donations or lending of stories, family pictures, and or artifacts from the Dexter Area. Check out **www.facebook.com/dexternyhistory** for great pictures and information!

POLICE…315- 639-6261 (Village Office)
P/T Police Officers: Chief Christine Kennedy, Steve Wood
Jefferson County Sheriff's Dept…315-788-1441 Non-Emergency Dispatch…315-786-2601
Emergency, Fire, Ambulance or Sheriff's Dept…911 NYS Police…315-782-2112
If you have a complaint or a problem and need assistance, please call the non-emergency dispatch number at **315-786-2601.** If one of the Dexter Police Officers is on duty, they will be dispatched to the problem. Otherwise, the nearest Jefferson County Sheriff or NY State Police Officer will be dispatched.

TOWN OF BROWNVILLE…315-639-6266
Monday-Thursday Noon-5:00pm & Fridays Noon-4:00pm
www.townofbrownville.com
Supervisor: Richard Lane Town Clerk: Novina Green Deputy Clerk: Shiloh Schloop
Councilmen: Jeffery Timerman, Ronald Tepfenhart, Richard Dodge, William Pickett
The Town issues marriage, hunting, fishing & dog licenses. Birth and death records.
WD#1 & WD#2 along with dog renewals can now be paid on the Town website!
Town meetings are the first Wednesday of each month at 5:00 PM at the Town of Brownville Office located at 16431 Star School House Road, Dexter.

ASSESSOR…315-639-3037 Fax: 315-639-3951
Rebecca Trudell: Brownville.assessor@gmail.com
Assists residents with questions or concerns regarding their property assessment and exemptions.
Office Hours: Friday 9am-4pm, Brownville Town Office, 16431 Star School House Road, Dexter.

TOWN OF BROWNVILLE COURT…315-639-6266, option 1
Town Justice: Kathy Quencer, Joe Murphy
Court Clerk: Wendy Flagg…315-767-6940; Brownvilletowncourt@nycourts.gov
Court is held every Thursday at 6:00 PM in the Brownville Town Office, 16431 Star School Road, Dexter.

DOG CONTROL OFFICER…315-836-5312, Betsy Ring
To obtain a dog license, residents of the village can go to the Town of Brownville office, located at 16431 Star School Road, Dexter, Phone: 315-639-6266. Renewals can now be paid via the Town of Brownville website **www.townofbrownville.com**

DEXTER CEMETERY ASSOCIATION…315-405-3412
Gerry Kostyk

SMITH-SAVAGE AMERICAN LEGION…639-8803
The monthly meetings for the American Legion are as follows:
Legion Meeting: Second Wednesday each month at 7:00 PM.
Auxiliary Meetings: First Thursday each month at 6:00 PM
Sons of the Legion Meeting: First Thursday each month at 7:00 PM.

Sign up for an appointment to give blood at Redcross.org

COUNTY OF JEFFERSON BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
William Johnson, District 2 Legislator, representing Towns of Lyme and Brownville.
https://co.jefferson.ny.us/towns-of-lyme-and-brownville

JEFFERSON COUNTY VOTER REGISTRATION…315-785-3027
Registration forms to register to vote in Jefferson County for General Elections are available in the Village Office. If there has been a change in your name or address since you last voted, if you want to enroll in a political party or change your enrollment, you must fill out a new registration form. To qualify to vote, you must be 18 years of age & have resided at your present address 30 days before the election.

FRONTIER HOUSING CORPORATION…315-965-8150 Fax: 315-293-2969
Office Located at 600 William Street, Dexter, PO Box 56 Email:**info@frontierhousingcorporation.com**
www.frontierhousingcorporation.com

Board of Directors
President: George Youngs
Vice-President: Cheryl Lane
Treasurer: Becky Flath
Secretary: Beth Todd
Directors: Michael Heise, Lindsey LeFevre

Office Staff
Director of Operations: Jennifer Wadsworth
Grants & Program Manager: Patty Schnnauber
Properties Manager: Heidi Hill
Maintenance: Jarred Brown

Frontier Housing Corporation has grant funding available through NYS Affordable Housing Corporation and The North Country HOME Consortium for owner occupied rehabilitation. We serve the following townships: Brownville, Hounsfield, Henderson, Lyme, Adams, Ellisburg, Rodman, Lorraine and Worth. These grants provide financial assistance to help income-eligible homeowners with necessary improvements for their homes. Our focus is making the home safe and energy efficient by testing for lead-based paint, replacing roofs, windows, doors and other repairs throughout the home. For more information, or an application, please contact Frontier Housing Monday-Thursday 8:00 AM-4:00 and PM Fridays-8:00 AM-1:00 PM.

Applications for grant funding are available in the Village Office.

DEXTER FAIR HOUSING LAW
The Mayor and Board of Trustees would like to remind residents that the Village of Dexter Fair Housing Law makes it illegal to discriminate in the sale or rental, or the provision of brokerage services due to race, creed, color, religion, sex, handicap, or family status. If anyone feels that they have been discriminated against for any reason, please contact the Village Office at 315-639-6260.

GENERAL BROWN CENTRAL SCHOOL…315-779-2300
Superintendent: Brian Moore, bmoore@gblions.org
General Brown Junior/Senior HS…17643 Cemetery Rd. Dexter
Principal: Brett Fingland, bfingland@gblions.org
Brownville/Glen Park Elementary School…275 E. Main St. Glen Park
Principal: Amy Scott, ascott@gblions.org
Dexter Elementary School…415 E. Grove St Dexter
Principal: Joe Folino, jfolino@gblions.org

GENERAL BROWN ELEMENTARY PTO *You can help support the PTO by:*
- The backpack program continues to provide weekend meals to over 50 students. Food donations or simply donating some of your time is appreciated, items or monetary donations can be dropped off at either of the elementary buildings during school hours. Monetary donations should be in an envelope labeled PTO Backpack Program or Venmo@GBPTO stating Backpack Donation for the subject.
- Collecting and dropping off soda can tabs to either elementary school building. We collect these throughout the year and donate them to the Shriners Organization who uses the funds for Shriners Children's Hospital programs.
- Participating in our Box tops for Education Program. The new digital approach requires downloading the Box Top app to your phone. Earn for your school without scanning! Box Top funds deposited directly into the school's account. **We look forward to a great 2025-2026 school year! Thank you for supporting the PTO and your local schools!**

HEAD START PROGRAM…315-782-4900 ext. 236

Building Bright Futures, Enroll Your Child in Head Start!

At Head Start Preschool, we believe in laying the foundation for lifelong learning and success from an early age. Our program is designed to ignite curiosity, foster creativity, and promote social-emotional development in young minds. With a nurturing and stimulating environment, experienced educators, and a research-based curriculum, Head Start offers your child the perfect start to their educational journey. Our innovative approach combines play-based learning with structured activities, ensuring that every child receives individualized attention and support. From developing essential cognitive skills to cultivating a love for learning, we prioritize your child's holistic growth and development. Join our Head Start community and give your child the gift of a strong educational foundation. Together, let's embark on a journey of exploration, discovery, and endless possibilities for your little one's future.

AMBULANCE SERVICES…315-788-8105

The Town of Brownville, with cooperation from the Villages of Dexter, Brownville and Glen Park, have contracted with Guilfoyle Ambulance Service, Inc. to provide ambulance service on a 24/7 basis to the Town of Brownville and the Villages of Dexter, Brownville, and Glen Park. **Guilfoyle will bill your private insurance carrier, Medicare or Medicaid for their services. You will be required to provide Guilfoyle personnel with your insurance information when requested.** The contract does not include routine nonemergency transfers to and from the home, hospitals or doctor's offices. If you need an ambulance, please **call 911** and the Guilfoyle ambulance will be dispatched to your residence.

DISABLED PERSONS PERMIT

Permits are available for Village residents at the Village Office. To obtain a permit you need an application certified by a physician, or a dated certification letter from your physician on official stationery stating a permanent or temporary disability. If you have a driver's license, a copy is required at the time the handicapped hanger is issued.

DEXTER FREE LIBRARY…315-639-6785

120 East Kirby Street
Email: dexlib@ncls.org or cellingsworth@ncls.org
Director: Colleen Ellingsworth
Staff: Cindy Parker
President: Keith Sweeney
Vice President: Honey Galaydick
Secretary: Sarah Ellingsworth
Treasurer: Rebecca Hall
Members at large: Lori Guerriero, Krystle Flath, Emilie Montgomery, Emma Lee

Library Hours:
***Tuesday:* 10am – 6pm**
***Wednesdays:* 10am – 6pm**
Thursday: *10am-6pm*
Saturday: 10*am-Noon*
***Closed July 4th &**
***Closed September 5th**

Library Board of Trustees meet the 2nd Tuesday of month at 6:00 PM. NO meetings in July or August.
The public is welcome to attend. Please come if you're interested in joining our Board!

***** We are currently having an ongoing Book Sale: .50 a book or $2.00 a bag! *****

Pre-register for our Summer Reading Program, June 30th-July 7th to be held Wednesdays in July at 10:30am
Psychic Medium Chanel Russell, Saturday, August 1st pre-paid & pre-registered only, 11:00am
See complete schedule of events under Summer Events
Adult Social Hour resumes Tuesday, September 15, at 1:00pm
Preschool Story Hour resumes, Wednesday September 16, at 10:30am
Elementary Play Time resumes Thursday September 17, at 4:00pm
Stop in anytime we are open to socialize while playing with our toys or Legos, playing games or making puzzles.
We will also have Take and Make crafts available!
For more upcoming events please visit us at https://www.dexterfreelibrary.org or check us out at Dexter Free Library on Facebook or Instagram.

DEXTER MASONIC LODGE NO. 1072

Masonic Fellowship, Service and Charity in Dexter since 1926.
Join a Brotherhood that has welcomed exceptional men throughout history. Our timeless values are passed down through generations in a series of degrees, all with the goal of helping good men become even better. Freemasonry offers a framework that influences every aspect of modern life, rooted in the Core Values of Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth. Dexter Lodge meets the first and third Mondays of the month at 7:30 pm (Jan-June) at 114 W. Kirby St. in Dexter. Interested in becoming a Mason? Please contact Mike Heise at (315) 778-6924

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA PROGRAMS

CUB SCOUT PACK 55

Cub Scouts is open to all boys and girls from kindergarten through 5th grade. Meetings are Monday evenings at 6:30 PM at *Scout Hall*, 227 East Bronson Street, Dexter.
For more information contact Mike Shanahan at 315-408-8049 or email pack55dexterny@gmail.com

SCOUT TROOP 55

Troop 55 is open to all boys and girls ages 11 through 17. Meetings are Wednesday evenings at 6:30 PM at *Scout Hall*, 227 East Bronson Street, Dexter.
For more information contact Mike Shanahan at 315-408-8049 or email troop55dexterny@gmail.com

If you would like to donate cans & bottles to the Troop, please drop them off in the shed at the Dexter American Legion parking lot, the shed is labeled as "Boy Scouts Drop Off for Bottles & Cans." Proceeds from these donations are crucial to the Troop, helping cover the costs of supplies, service projects and camping expenses.

SEA SCOUT SHIP 55

Ship 55 is a new Sea Scout unit that is looking for young men and women age 14-20 that want to challenge themselves with aquatic-based activities, community service, leadership, and have fun doing it!
For more information contact Mike Shanahan at 315-408-8049 or email ship55dexterny@gmail.com

DEXTER HISTORICAL SOCIETY

www.dexternymuseum.org
President: Carolyn {Corky} Marlowe
Secretary: Lynne Rigabar
Corresponding Secretary: Deborah Harmann
Treasurer: Roy Parsons
Board of Trustees meet at the Dexter Village Offices, 509 Liberty Street, at 7:00PM on the 2nd Tuesday of each month.

The Dexter Historical Society, in collaboration with the Dexter Volunteer Fire Department, is offering two "Special Occasion Calendars" for $10 each or $15 for both. Checks can be made payable to the Dexter Volunteer Fire Department. Contact Gerry Kostyk at 315-405-3412, Mike Heise at 315-778-6942 or Corky Marlowe at 315-782-4705. Calendars are good forever as there is no date on them. Thank you for your support!

The goal of the Dexter Historical Society is to make the rich and interesting history of the Dexter area, including Limerick & Pillar Point, readily available to all residents of and visitors to our community. To this end, the Society presents a series of programs and events each year and maintains the Dexter Area Museum, 105 East Kirby Street. It is our goal to open the Museum to the public at regular times each week. We invite anyone interested in assisting with this task to join with us in our efforts to provide regular public access to the Museum.

All are welcome to attend the meetings to learn more about the Society's work & programs. If you are interested in becoming a member of the Society, annual membership fees, per individual, are as follows: Regular Membership: $10.00; Sponsor Membership: $20.00; Patron: $30.00; Lifetime Membership: $200.00. There is no membership fee for students. To join, send information and fee to the Dexter Historical Society, PO Box 231, Dexter, New York 13634.
If you would like to help us create a truly available Dexter Area Museum or would like more information about the Society, please contact the Society **President Carolyn Marlowe @ 315-782-4705 or church314@twc.com**

Check out **Facebook.com** and enter **@dexternyhistory** into the search bar. We offer our sincerest thanks to the Dexter Community for all of your interest & support.

DVFD, INC. & DEXTER HISTORICAL SOCIETY LAST STATION PROJECT, As of Summer, 2026.

Last Station Window Display - We are sure all of you have noticed our revolving window display. Thank you to Carol Oliver for taking care of this.

Lottery Calendars - As of June 30, the department has paid out to 46 calendar owners. The 2027 calendars are available thanks to Chairperson Ryan McIntosh. Thank you to all that have purchased calendars and are planning to purchase 2027 calendars. If you have any questions, please call or text Gerry Kostyk 315-405-4312.

Last Station & Museum Signs- The LS building sign is up, and we recently receive a light for the sign that will be installed in the near future. Upgraded signage is in the works for the museum; inside and out.

The 1929 Brockway Fire Engine & 1865 Rumsey Hand Pumper- Thanks to Sherm Tucker and Mike Heise the Brockway is purring like a kitten. Chris Gracey was able to have the Brockway in the GB Days parade held in Dexter this year. Chris also manned the Rumsey Hand Pumper at the GB Days at the Memorial Field. We had several teams, young and old, pump water like they did in the old days.

Parking Lot-Unfortunately, we were unsuccessful with the first round for a matching grant through the Jefferson County Visitors Investment Fund that is Administered by the 1000 Islands International Tourism Council. We will be submitting for the matching grant second round at the end of July. Maybe we'll get lucky.

Sidewalk Retaining Wall-We submitted a grant being offered by Car Freshener through the Northern New York Community Foundation (NNYCF) to construct a retaining wall like the wall in front of the funeral home. The NNYCF advised us that the grant we were applying for might not meet the criteria Car Freshener was looking for but go for it anyhow. Unfortunately, we weren't successful. But it's a good thing we went through the exercise of obtaining costs. We have secured a doner that is going to help us make the retaining wall happen. We are anticipating starting the wall towards the end of August!

Dexter Area History Social Event- The May social event was a success. People enjoyed the program presented by Bill Haller and Touring the facilities. Please keep an eye out for the notice for the next event, likely in the fall sometime.

Upcoming Events

Socials- The Historical society will be having three Ice Cream and cake socials with Ham Jam playing; June 23rd, July 21st, & August 18th from 6PM-8:30PM.

Meet the Pumpers- The Historical Society and Last Station will be having a "Meet the Pumpers" event on August 2nd from 1PM-4PM with refreshments. This will be an opportunity for visitors to view the Brockway and Rumsey Pumpers and see how the Rumsey Hand Pumper works! Please come join us to revisit the past and see the equipment that's out there now.

The Museum will be open Saturday's and Sunday's 12PM-2PM June through August. Please visit our local history display.

We continue to work to raise funds to finish some projects. There are still Last Station T Shirts available along with cloth shopping bags, pin buttons, and magnetic buttons for the refrigerator.

There are still plaques available to purchase for firefighters and auxiliary members who have passed on and to be placed on the Memorial Cross at the Last Station. Please contact Gerry for more information.

A project like the Last Station and the Dexter Museum are never complete. The following are some things that the organizations would like to do and are doing to improve the buildings and campus:

- We are in the process of painting the south side of the museum.
- Signage for the Last Station Building – The building sign light is in the works.
- Museum signage in and out are in the works.
- Paving the drive and parking lot – Hopefully, we'll be successful for the second round.
- Look for the construction of the sidewalk retaining wall starting at the end of August.
- Backup generator.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

Immaculate Conception	Brownville	Saturday 4:00pm , Sunday 9:00am, Mon 12 noon, Wed 5:30pm
St. Andrews	Sackets Harbor	Sunday 10:30am, Tues/Thurs 9:00am
United Methodist Church	Dexter	Sunday 9:30am
United Methodist Church	Brownville	Sunday 11:00am
Presbyterian Church	Dexter	Sunday 11:00am
Presbyterian Church	Chaumont	Sunday 9:30am
Airport Fellowship Church	Dexter	Sunday 10:00am

DEXTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Located at 210 West Kirby Street in the Village of Dexter. The Church holds worship service every Sunday at 9:30AM. Jeani Guest, CC, serves as a ¼ time pastor along with her husband and seven children, previously from Texas. Come join us… you will find friendly, welcoming people.

The Methodist Church has a St. Pauley Shed drop off box, available in the church parking lot, for community members to donate wearable clean clothing, shoes, belts, purses, linens, blankets, curtains, etc. Please no rags or fabric scraps. All items must be tied in plastic bags before being placed in the drop box. This is a mission program. Used clothing is given to families in the United States as well as in 43 other countries. All items are shipped whole garment and will be worn by someone someplace. Receipts for tax deductions are available in the mailbox on the drop box.

TOWN OF BROWNVILLE FOOD PANTRY

Located in the basement of the Dexter United Methodist Church
210 West Kirby Street, PO Box 642, Dexter, New York
Coordinators: Barb Compeau: 315-788-5238, Barbara Tyler: 315-271-5844

The Pantry is open to all residents within the Town of Brownville to include both residents within the villages of Brownville, Glen Park, Dexter as well as residents outside of the village limits and Pillar Point. We welcome anyone who is in need of a little extra help each month.

Dates & Times the Food Pantry is open is as follows:

January - October 2026
Second Wednesday each month: 2:00-3:00pm
Third & Fourth Wednesday each month: 6:00 PM-7:00pm

November - December 2026
First Wednesday each month: 2:00-3:00pm
Second & Third Wednesday each month: 6:00pm-7:00pm

**If General Brown School cancels school because of weather the pantry will also be closed unless otherwise stated at the bottom of the channel 7 TV screen {channel 4 on Spectrum Cable}.*

The food pantry will allow you to choose your own food items, with some restrictions listed below.

1.) You will still remain in your vehicle until it is your turn. We will get your information and give you a number.
2.) The Town of Brownville Food Pantry is open to all qualifying residents in the Town of Brownville to include the Villages of Dexter, Brownville, and Glen Park. You will need to fill out and sign a short form, show a photo ID, along with two proofs of current residence showing your actual physical address such as a National Grid Statement {not PO box or an envelope}. All information provided is confidential and kept in locked files.
3.) Only one person per family will be allowed in the pantry. If you need extra assistance, the assistant will also need to abide by the rules.

The food pantry provides a five-day supply of food and you may choose your items. A volunteer will provide you with the quantity you will receive in regard to your family size. Residents from the Town of Brownville may visit the food pantry once a month. We do not make deliveries to your home.

The following is a list of food we try to keep in stock:

Canned Vegetables	Spaghetti Sauce	Dry Milk/Canned Milk	Juices
Jellies & Jams	Canned Fruit	Peanut Butter	Baby Foods
Dried Beans	Tuna Fish	Canned Meats & Stew	Canned
Pasta Meals		Frozen Meats	

The following are popular non-food items needed:

Bathroom Tissue	Tooth Paste/Tooth Brushes	Deodorant
Hand Soap	Shampoo	

Drop off boxes located at the Dexter & Brownville Post Offices, the Brownville & Glen Park Village Offices, and the United Methodist Church in Dexter. Please be sure to notify one of our contacts prior to dropping off any donations to the United Methodist Church to ensure that someone will be there. For monetary donations checks may be made payable to the Dexter United Methodist Church Food Pantry mailed to PO Box 642, Dexter, New York 13634. Please no open or partially used products. New York State allows us to give out food items that are no more than one-year past expiration date. Volunteers check every item donated for expiration dates, please do not bring items that cannot be of use to us.

The Town of Brownville Food Pantry wants to thank everyone who continues to make donations to the food pantry. Our pantry appreciates your support, kindness and thoughtfulness towards others in our communities. We are able to keep our food pantry open because of caring people like you as well as our volunteers who help run the pantry. Volunteers come from the three villages within the Town of Brownville, Watertown, and Town of Hounsfield. They include young and older men, women, students from the General Brown School District, Boy Scouts, and Cub Scouts. The pantry couldn't function without their help and dedication.

VILLAGE SQUARE PUBLIC SIGN

Nonprofit events may be advertised on the Village Square sign. Anyone wishing to use the sign will need to contact the Village Office at **315-639-6260** or stop in.

PARKING

Public parking at a local business must not interfere with emergency vehicles. Fire, rescue and ambulance vehicles must have a clear path to and from the Municipal Building at all times. There is no parking allowed on East Kirby St. across from the Laundromat in signed areas. Violators will have the appropriate action taken.

Storage of abandoned, unused, or unlicensed motor vehicles upon private land within the village, unless wholly contained in a garage or other structure is prohibited. A 30-day permit can be obtained in the Village Office. **Violators can be issued a fine of up to $250.**

Basketball hoops or any other obstructions within the Village Right of Way need to be removed. The Village will not be responsible for any incidents and or damages that may occur from such obstructions.

LOCAL LAW #4 OF 4-2017 DOG CONTROL

According to Village of Dexter Local Law #4 of 2017, dogs are not permitted to run at large, deposit waste on public or private property, bark, howl, or whine continually, within the Village of Dexter. Violation of this law is punishable by a fine of $25.00 or more, Any dog, running loose without a collar or tag will be considered unlicensed or any dog creating a nuisance will be picked up by the Dog Control Officer. Should you encounter a problem with a stray dog or a bothersome dog, please call the Dog Control Officer Betsy Ring 315-836-5312.

DOG LICENSE

To obtain a dog license, residents of the village can go to the Town of Brownville office, located at 16431 Star School Road, Dexter, Phone-315-639-6266.

VILLAGE OF DEXTER PRIOR NOTICE LAW

No civil actions shall be maintained against the Village of Dexter for damages or injuries to persons or property sustained by reason of any highway, bridge, sidewalk, or culvert being defective, out of repair, unsafe, dangerous or obstructed unless: written notice of such a condition was received by the clerk of the village, and there was a failure or neglect within a reasonable time after the giving of such notice to repair or correct the defect.

Village Law §6-602; Highway Law §319

This is a friendly reminder that the Village of Dexter Department of Public Works/Highway Department has no liability in replacing or repairing mailboxes or other fixtures that are placed in the village's right-of-way. During the course of roadway maintenance and snowplowing, such items may be unintentionally damaged. We regret that this may happen from time to time, but our road safety and maintenance is priority and of the upmost importance. Property owners have no right to interfere with a speedy and efficient removal of snow by placing the mailbox in such a position as to cause interference. There is no statutory law or legal authority which grants a property owner or resident along a public highway or street the right to place a mailbox in a highway right-of-way. Please see Village Law §6-602; Highway Law §319, which can be found online.

The Village of Dexter's Sewer Code {Article VI § 232-25} states the following: "No person shall discharge or cause to be discharged any storm water, surface water, groundwater, roof run-off, sub-surface drainage, cooling water, or industrial process water to the public sewer." This code includes sump pumps. It is illegal to discharge water from sump pumps into the sanitary sewers. Sump pumps must discharge into the storm sewer or out into the yard. For questions, please call the Village Office at 315-639-6260 or the DPW at 315-639-4200.

Per Village of Dexter Code §310-15: Damage to Water Meters

"Any damage which any meter may sustain by reason of the carelessness of the owner, his agent or tenant of the premises or from neglect of any of them to properly protect the same, including any damage or injury that may result from allowing said meter to become frozen or otherwise injured, shall be paid to the Village of Dexter by the owner of the property served by such meter."

SEWER DISCHARGES

To the residents of the Village of Dexter,
In 2016 the Village of Dexter underwent a multimillion-dollar sewer system upgrade. At that time Village residents were notified to have any and all discharge water that was being sent to the public sewer system rectified.

Per Village Code *Article VI Use of Public Sewers, 232-25. Drainage discharges*. It states, "No person shall discharge or cause to be discharged any stormwater, surface water, groundwater, roof runoff, subsurface drainage, cooling water, or industrial process waters to the public sewer".
The Village is requesting inspections of the storm drainage discharges on all Village properties. The Village will begin enforcing removal of all "illegal" connections to the sanitary sewer system. The Dexter Code provides penalties at $250 per day for the failure to comply with a notice to disconnect an illegal connection within 30 days. The Village expects there will be a high rate of voluntary compliance with this inspection program as the goal is to reduce sewer treatment plant costs, in turn keeping sewer rate increases to a minimum.

All residents are being asked to please call the Village Office to set up an appointment for an inspection with James Millington, Village of Dexter Code Enforcement. After being inspected documentation will be provided to the homeowner as well as being filed with the clerk in said resident's file. Thank you for your time in the matter.

WATER FILLING STATION
The Village of Dexter has a water filling station
Located next to the DPW building at 223 lakeview drive.

WATER FILL RATES ARE AS FOLLOWS:
2 INCH VALVE: $1.50 – 250 GAL: $3.00 – 500 GAL; $6.00 – 1000 GAL
½ INCH VALVE: $0.50 – 5 GALLONS
*Exact change must be used. Machine does not make change. Please read directions before operating. Questions: call the village office at 315-639-6260.

TRASH REMOVAL

PICK N GO PROPERTY WASTE SERVICES
Weekly Service, Thursdays, beginning at 7am
All recyclables and trash must be curbside by 7am in order to be picked up.

- Refuse is limited to six 33-gallon trash bags weighing no more than 40 lbs. each.
- **Recyclables must be cleaned. They can be placed together in one container, BUT NOT BAGGED**
- All cardboard must be broken down/flattened, tied and separated from all other trash and recyclables.
- Electronics, including televisions, will NOT be picked up on weekly trash days or during the Spring & Fall Cleanup Days. See notice below to dispose of electronics.
- Please place trash bags in trash cans with covers.

Recyclables cannot be mixed with garbage. Landfills are strictly enforcing the Jefferson County Recycling Law. The landfill will not accept and will issue fines to the Village for cardboard and recyclables mixed with garbage.

If the above rules are not followed the trash will not be picked up.
Any questions, please call the Village Office 315-639-6260.

When residents or contractors cut down trees within the Village of Dexter, they are responsible for taking away any and all wood and brush. The Village DPW will pick up limbs once during the week of spring and fall clean up and after severe storm damage. All other brush and trimmings throughout the year will need to be taken to the Town of Brownville Transfer Site or the Jefferson County Transfer Site. Brush and limbs need to be removed from the side of the road within 14 days.

For Village residents the Town of Brownville Transfer Site will accept electronics, to include computers, printers, monitors, televisions, microwaves and rechargeable batteries along with green material- leaves, lawn clippings and branches up to 4" diameter and 4' lengths. **If you are a <u>resident of the Village of Dexter</u>, a permit for the transfer site can be picked up at the Village Office during normal office hours, there is no permit fee.**

<u>Brownville Transfer Site</u> Game Farm Rd, Brownville, Ny 13615
Hours for Village Residents are as follows: **Wednesdays: 2:00 - 7:00pm & Saturdays: 8:00am – 3:00pm**

<u>Jefferson County Recycling & Waste Management Facility</u>...315-785-9072
27138 State Route 12 North, Watertown, New York 13601.
Hours for the facility are as follows: **Monday - Friday: 7:30am - 3:00pm & Saturday: 7:30am - 1:00pm**

The Village of Dexter has launched a Hometown Hero Banner Program
as a living tribute for our community to honor past and present members of the Armed Forces.

Look for banners hung throughout the Village!

If you have a loved one that you would like to honor, please contact us.

Village of Dexter
PO Box 62, 509 Liberty Street Dexter, NY 13634
Or Christine Kennedy
Chief of Police, Dexter Police Department
Dexternypd@gmail.com or (315)-639-6260

HOMETOWN HEROES BANNER PROGRAM

DON'T GET SCAMMED

Phone, text and email scams are on the rise and scammers are becoming more and more sophisticated in their tactics. They may call you claiming to be a family member in legal trouble needing bail money. They might claim your accounts are in danger of being closed, utilities will be shut off or threaten you or your family with legal action. Scammers rely on creating a sense of urgency to get you to act without thinking. These high-pressure tactics are red flags of a scam.

- Don't rely on caller ID-scammers can make it seem that they are calling from a legitimate business
- If you are suspicious of a call, text or email, contact the business through their published phone number
- Never give sensitive information- PINs, account numbers, social security number, etc.
- Never click on an unsolicited link sent via text message- especially if it asks you to sign in to your bank account
- Be skeptical of every email-often, the scammer will disguise the email to look and sound like it's from your bank or other legitimate business.
- If they tell you that you have to pay a bill using gift cards-IT IS A SCAM!

What to do if you fall for a scam

1. If you gave a scammer personal information like your SSN or bank account number, go to IdentityTheft.gov or call (877) 438-4338 to see what steps to take, including how to monitor your credit.
2. Change your password if you shared any sort of username or password.
3. Contact your bank and/or credit card company.
4. If you lost money, file a police report by calling 315-786-2601.
5. Report the scam to the Federal Trade Commission or call 1-877-FTC-HELP (382-4357).

REMINDERS:

The operation of Utility Terrain Vehicles is not permitted on Village roadways.

RIGHT OF WAY

Basketball hoops or any other obstructions within the Village Right of Way need to be removed. The Village will not be responsible for any incidents and or damages that may occur from such obstructions.

WATER BILLS

Water bills are **mailed quarterly on or before January 10th, April 10th, July 10th and October 10th.** It is your responsibility to know when your bill is due, if you do not receive your water billing by the 15th of the month they are mailed out, please call the Village Office at 315-639-6260 for information on your billing. Please keep our office updated with current contact information and any address changes**. If the water, sewer, and refuse billing is not paid within the allotted 60-day period and service is shut off, a restoration fee of $50.00 will be charged and added to the amount due. The restoration fee for turn on afterhours, weekends, and holidays is $100.00. The full amount due must be paid before services will be reinstated.**

There is a drop box located next to the side entrance of the Village Office, located at 509 Liberty Street, for your convenience. If you need to leave water payments, tax payments, building permits, or other information after office hours, please use this drop box. Be sure to put all payments in an envelope with your name address or account number included.

Summer 2026 Newsletter *new information is due June 25, 2026: A*rticles/information can be e-mailed to mayordexter@villageofdexterny.com, faxed to 315-639-3121, or left at the Village Office located at 509 Liberty Street, Drop box available.

SUMMER 2026 EVENTS

Look for postings on the Village Sign and the Village Calendar www.villageofdexterny.gov

Tuesday, June 30-July 7, 2026	Pre-Register for the Summer Reading Program, held Wednesdays in July, Dexter Free Library
Saturday, July 4, 2026	**Independence Day**
Wednesday, July 8, 2026	Summer Reading Program, Dexter Free Library, 10:30am
Wednesday, July 8, 2026	Water Bills Mailed

Wednesday, July 8, 2026	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 2:00-3:00pm
Tuesday, July 14, 2026	Dexter Free Library Board Meeting, 6:00pm
Wednesday, July 15, 2026	Summer Reading Program, Dexter Free Library, 10:30am
Wednesday, July 15, 2026	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 6:00-7:00pm
Wednesday, July 22, 2026	Summer Reading Program, Dexter Free Library, 10:30am
Tuesday, July 21, 2026	Village Board of Trustees Meeting, 4:00pm
Tuesday, July 21, 2026	Ham Jam, Dexter American Legion, 6:00-8:30pm *With Cake & Ice Cream, Presented by the Dexter Historical Society*
Wednesday, Jul 22, 2026	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 6:00-7:00pm
Monday, July 27, 2026	Planning Board Meeting if business, 6:30pm Zoning Board Meeting if business, 6:30pm
Wednesday, July 29, 2026	Summer Reading Program, Dexter Free Library, 10:30am
Wednesday, July 29, 2026	Dinosaur Quilt Raffle Drawing Held (Tickets $5.00), Dexter Free Library
Saturday, Aug 1, 2026	Psychic Medium Chanel Russell, Dexter Free Library, 11:00am *Prepaid & pre-registered only*
Sunday, Aug 2, 2026	"Meet the Pumpers", Dexter Historical Society & Last Station, 1-4pm
Monday, Aug 3, 2026	Water Bills Due
Tuesday, Aug 11, 2026	Blood Drive, American Legion Post 583, 1:00pm-5:00pm *Sign up for an appointment at Redcross.org*
Tuesday, Aug 11, 2026	Dexter Free Library Board Meeting, 6:00pm
Wednesday, Aug 12, 2026	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 2:00-3:00pm
Tuesday, Aug 18, 2026	Village Board of Trustees Meeting, 4:00pm
Tuesday, Aug 18, 2026	Ham Jam, Dexter American Legion, 6:00-8:30pm *With Cake & Ice Cream, Presented by the Dexter Historical Society*
Wednesday, Aug 19, 2026	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 6:00-7:00pm
Thursday, Aug 20, 2026	New Bok Club, Dexter Free Library, 6:00pm
Aug 25th-29th, 2026	Return completed Summer Reading Logs, Dexter Free Library *Earn a sweet treat!*
Wednesday, Aug 26, 2026	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 6:00-7:00pm
Monday, Aug 31, 2026	Planning Board Meeting if business, 6:30pm
Thursday, Sept 3, 2026	Nutrition Educator, Dexter Free Library, 11:00am
Monday, Sept 7, 2026	**Labor Day**
Tuesday, Sept 8, 2026	Dexter Free Library Board Meeting, 6:00pm *New Members Welcome!*
Wednesday, Sept 9, 2026	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 2:00-3:00pm
Tuesday, Sept 15, 2026	Village Board of Trustees Meeting, 4:00pm
Wednesday, Sept 16, 2026	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 6:00-7:00pm
Wednesday, Sept 23, 2026	Food Pantry, Methodist Church, 6:00-7:00pm
Monday, Sept 28, 2026	Planning Board Meeting if business, 6:30pm
Saturday, Oct 10, 2026	Free Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day, *see website for details* 21897 County Rt 190 Watertown, NY, 8am-12pm