



# VILLAGE OF FONDA SPRING 2025 NEWSLETTER

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The Department of Public Works will resume collecting yard debris and lawn clippings generally on Friday and Monday mornings, or when practical. Beginning at 7:00 am, the Crew will pass through the Village to pick up contained debris.

Please **do not** use plastic bags as we want to “go green” with this service, also limit the weight to under 40 lbs. Containers should be covered to protect against inclement weather.



Brush and tree limbs must be tied, bundled, less than 4ft in length, and in a pile no larger than 4ft x 4ft x 4ft. If you have an excessive amount or would like to make arrangements for another time, please call 518-853-4335.

## SPRING CLEAN-UP DAYS Sat. April 26<sup>th</sup> & May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7 am to noon S Broadway disposal area

- Proof of residency is required.
- One Load Per Household. (No larger than a small pickup truck load)
- NO Hazardous Waste will be accepted.
- Regular Household Garbage is NOT accepted.
- Construction Debris is NOT accepted.
- A disposal fee for tires will apply per Montgomery Co. Solid Waste 2025 Rate Schedule

Large items can be scheduled for pickup during regular work hours (7 am to 2 PM) the week of April 28<sup>th</sup>. Montgomery County Solid Waste fees will apply for certain items. Please call the Village Office @ 518-853-4335 for costs and to schedule a pickup. There is a limit of ½ pickup truck per household.

### Street & Water Department News



The Annual Drinking Water Quality Report for 2024 has been released. Additional copies are available in the Village office or on our website, [www.villageoffonda.ny.gov](http://www.villageoffonda.ny.gov).

**Water meter upgrades** are continuing. Old meters are being replaced with radio-read meters to help gather water readings. **Please call the Village Clerk's office at 518-853-4335** to be added to the list for replacement. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.



**Lead Service Line Inventory** – In a continued effort to identify service line materials for the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Lead Service Line Inventory, our DPW crew, in conjunction with Montgomery County DPW, will be using a hydrovac to access the service lines that provide water to every property serviced by our water system. This process will take place over the next few months at different locations until all lines have been identified.

### *From the Clerk's Office*



**Water, Sewer, and Village Property Tax bills can be paid online** with a credit card at: <https://client.pointandpay.net/web/VillageofFondaClerk>.

To pay water/sewer bills, please use the **Bill Id** located on the payment stub portion of the bill. For property taxes, please enter as follows: year-000000. For example, to pay tax bill #5 enter: 2024-000005.

**The annual New York State Outdoor Burning Ban** runs from March 16 to May 14. Conditions for wildfires are heightened in springtime when most wildfires occur. Open burning is the single largest cause of wildfires in New York State. For more information: <https://on.ny.gov/3tZKhVV>



**BURN BAN**



**We want to keep you informed** with new information in the Village. Please register on our website under “News and Notifications” to receive email notices when information is updated on our website.

### Springtime Maintenance tips from Village Building Code Department

Springtime is synonymous with starting fresh with cleaning and maintenance. It's an important transition time to clean the slate for your home and property. To address those issues caused by winter and prepare for the hotter months ahead.



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You may want to first focus on any critical mechanical and plumbing systems, which are indispensable for your home's operation and maintaining a safe, efficient environment, inside and out. In other words, tackle the most important things first.

1. Service air conditioning units and change filters. Consider upgrading to more energy efficient whole home or window units.
2. Ensure house address numbers are visible with a contrasting color for emergency services.
3. Test your Smoke and Carbon Monoxide detectors, if they have replaceable batteries, replace them, it may save lives.
4. Clear escape routes in case of emergencies. There should always be at least two routes out of any building. Make sure the bedroom windows open and are not blocked by bunk beds or dresser mirrors such that someone can still get out.
5. Purchase a home A-B-C fire extinguisher to have in your kitchen and learn how to operate it. In the event of an emergency call 911.
6. Install additional outlets rather than relying on extension leads that when used improperly can cause fires. Most appliances and equipment specify that the power cord be plugged directly into the outlet receptacle.
7. Clean your windows to get the natural light and mood back inside your home.
8. Fix any broken or torn screens damaged through the winter to keep the bugs at bay when the temperature begins to warm up.
9. Inspect your roof for any winter damage; missing shingles, flashing loose or missing pieces, and leaks.
10. Lock safety gates and make sure alarms are functioning properly on swimming pools.
11. Maintain grass at 4 inches between the sidewalk and the street curb edge and the rest of your lawn cut 10 inches or less per Village Code.

If hiring a professional, remember to beware of scammers. Support and hire local reputable contractors if possible.

If you have any questions regarding Village Laws, they are available on our website, or you can contact the Building Code Office at (518) 853-4335 ext. 24 or email [swaddle@villageoffonda.ny.gov](mailto:swaddle@villageoffonda.ny.gov). We will be happy to answer any questions.

## Upcoming Events in the Village

**Memorial Day Parade** Monday, May 26<sup>th</sup>. Under the direction of the Village of Fonda Team. For more info contact Deputy Mayor Tim Healey at (518)-853-3290.



## Upcoming Events in the Village Park

We have several exciting events coming to the park this summer. Visit [fondapark.org](http://fondapark.org) for the calendar of events.



**2025 Fonda Summer Concert Series** – Join us for great music, community fun and summer vibes every Friday night beginning at 7 PM from June 27<sup>th</sup> to August 15<sup>th</sup>. Visit [fondapark.org](http://fondapark.org) for the full lineup of bands including Skeeter Creek on July 11<sup>th</sup>!!

## 2023 Montgomery County Rabies Clinic Schedule

DATE	LOCATION	TIME
April 5	Palatine Town Barn 817 Stone Arabia Rd, Ft Plain	9 – 11 AM
* May 24	City of Amsterdam Bus Garage 345 E Main St., Amsterdam	9 – 11 AM
June 7	Canajoharie Firefighter's Garage 39 Mohawk St., Canajoharie	9 – 11 AM
* July 12	Montgomery County DPW Garage 113 Park Drive, Fultonville	9 – 11 AM
Aug 2	Rural Grove Fire Dept 1192 Route 162, Sprakers	9 – 11 AM
* Sept 13	St. Johnsville Town Barn 7431 Route 5, St Johnsville	9 – 11 AM
Oct 4	Florida Town Highway Dept 167 Ft Hunter Rd, Amsterdam	9 – 11 AM
Nov 15	Town of Mohawk Barn 2-4 Park St, Fonda	9 – 11 AM

\*Vaccination is free to Montgomery Co. residents. Suggested donation for free clinic is \$10.00.

The veterinarian administration fee is \$10.00 per vaccination.

**PUBLIC HEALTH LAW REQUIRES DOGS, CATS, AND FERRETS TO BE VACCINATED AGAINST RABIES.** Pet owners revaccinating animals should bring the pet's last rabies vaccination certificate.

For more information on rabies, call [518-853-3531](tel:518-853-3531) or your veterinarian.