
MEMORANDUM

TO: Village Clerks, Town Clerks, and School Business Managers
FROM: Mary Widrick, Secretary
SUBJECT: 2025 Exemption Questionnaire
DATE: August 21, 2024

Enclosed, please find the 2025 Exemption Questionnaire. The purpose of this questionnaire is to verify any changes made to exemptions and update these changes in our computer system so that the exemption amounts calculate correctly when an assessor applies an exemption to a parcel.

The assessors begin entering exemptions into the Real Property system in January, and if we do not have your changes in the computer, then any applied exemptions will not calculate correctly. Please complete the enclosed questionnaire and return it to our office **no later than January 1, 2025.**

If your intent is to make a change after our January 1, 2025 deadline, please notify this office. Remember that if changes are being made, we need a copy of the resolution or local law that approves such change.

For any exemption that your village, town, or school currently offers, can you please provide our office with the most recent resolution or local law that approved the exemption so that I can compare them with what we have on file.

Additionally, we've enclosed a copy of our village, town, or school officials' lists. If any corrections need to be made, please return that form together with the questionnaire and make note of any changes.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

2025 EXEMPTION QUESTIONNAIRE

THE INFORMATION YOU PROVIDE REFLECTS YOUR EXEMPTION STATUS FOR **2025**
***** PLEASE RETURN BY JANUARY 1, 2025 *****

IF YOU ARE MAKING NO CHANGES

- ** Retain the enclosed current exemption chart
- ** Fill in the area directly below
- ** Sign and date this section and return this entire sheet – (faxed or emailed copies are acceptable)

TAXING JURISDICTION NAME _____
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____
Please supply us with your email address _____

IF YOU ARE MAKING CHANGES FOR 2025

- ** Retain the enclosed current exemption chart
- ** Check the exemptions below you are making a change to
- ** Sign and date this section and return this entire sheet – (emailed copies are acceptable)
- ** Enclose a copy of the resolution or law

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| <input type="checkbox"/> AGED | NEW law change allows you to raise maximum income level up to \$50,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BUSINESS | law allows you the option of granting this or not |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SOLAR/WIND | law allows you the option of granting this or not |
| <input type="checkbox"/> VETS (ALT. VETS) | law allows you to change the maximum dollar amount |
| <input type="checkbox"/> VOL FIRE/AMB | law allows you the option of granting this or not |

TAXING JURISDICTION NAME _____
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____
Please supply us with your email address _____

- RESOLUTIONS OR LOCAL LAWS SHOULD BE FINALIZED BY 12-31-24
- PLEASE CALL THIS OFFICE AT (315) 376-5336 IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS
- FOR LEGAL ADVICE CONTACT YOUR MUNICIPAL/SCHOOL ATTORNEY

TOWN OF DENMARK ADOPTION OF LOCAL LAW # _____ of 2024

A Local Law to Override the Tax Levy Limit Established in General Municipal Law 3-c

Be it enacted by the Town Board of the Town of Denmark as follows:

Section 1. Legislative Intent. It is the intent of this Local Law to override the limit on the amount of real property taxes that may be levied by the Town of Denmark pursuant to General Municipal Law Section 3-c, and to allow the Town of Denmark to adopt a budget for the fiscal year 2025 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the “tax levy limit” as defined by General Municipal Law Section 3-c.

Section 2. Authority. This Local Law is adopted pursuant to subdivision 5 of General Municipal Law Section 3-c, which expressly authorizes the Town Board to override the tax levy limit by the adoption of a Local Law approved by vote of sixty percent (60%) of the Town Board.

Section 3. Tax Levy Limit Override. The Town Board of the Town of Denmark, Lewis County is hereby authorized to adopt a budget for the fiscal year 2025 that requires a real property tax levy increase of the amount otherwise proscribed in General Municipal Law Section 3-c.

Section 4. Severability. If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person, firm, or corporation, or circumstance, shall be adjusted by any Court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person, firm, or corporation, or circumstance, directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.

Section 5. Effective Date. This law shall be effective upon filing with the Secretary of State.

Account#	Account Description	Fee Description	Qty	Local Share	
A1255	Conservation	Conservation	1	81.46	
		Sub-Total:		\$81.46	
A1410.4	Clerk Contractual Reimbursement	Rebate/Reimbursement - Clerk	1	17.76	
		Sub-Total:		\$17.76	
A1601	Marriage License	Marriage License Fee	1	17.50	
		Sub-Total:		\$17.50	
A2544	Dog Licensing	Female, Spayed	12	108.00	
		Female, Unspayed	7	119.00	
		Male, Neutered	20	180.00	
		Male, Unneutered	3	51.00	
	late fee	late fee	7	35.00	
		Sub-Total:		\$493.00	
A5132.4	Contractual Town Garage	Rebate/Reimbursement - Garage	1	782.40	
		Sub-Total:		\$782.40	
B1603	Registrar Fees	Registrar	8	80.00	
		Sub-Total:		\$80.00	
B2110	Planning Board Fee	Filing Fee	1	50.00	
	Zoning Board Fees	Zoning Fee	7	675.00	
		Sub-Total:		\$725.00	
DB9060.8	Health Insur. - Yancey 2024	DB Health Ins. - Yancey 2024	1	688.23	
		Sub-Total:		\$688.23	
SW1-2140	Metered Sales	Useage Fee	1	324.22	
		Sub-Total:		\$324.22	
SW1-2144	EDU Charge	EDU	1	115.00	
		Sub-Total:		\$115.00	
SW1-2148	Penalties	late fee	1	75.39	
		Sub-Total:		\$75.39	
			Total Local Shares Remitted:	\$3,399.96	
Amount paid to:	NYS Ag. & Markets for spay/neuter program			62.00	
Amount paid to:	NYS Environmental Conservation			1,359.54	
Amount paid to:	State Health Dept. For Mariage Licenses			22.50	
Total State, County & Local Revenues:		\$4,844.00	Total Non-Local Revenues:		\$1,444.04

To the Supervisor:

Pursuant to Section 27, Sub 1, of the Town Law, I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full and true statement of all fees and monies received by me, Prudence L. Greene, Town Clerk, Town of Denmark during the period stated above, in connection with my office, excepting only such fees and monies, the application of which are otherwise provided for by law.

Supervisor

Date

Town Clerk

Date

Prudence L. Greene 9/5/2024

Town of Denmark
Monthly Dog Control Report
8/7/2024 - 9/11/2024

8/11/2024 12:28 PM (1.5 hrs) - dispatch call - dog seen running along SR 12; patrolled the area; no dog found

8/12/2024 1:33 PM (.25 hrs) - looking for the Dog Control Officer for the Town of Pinckney; deferred to John Young.

8/16/2024 2:30 PM (1 hr) - met with Prudence to talk budgeting

8/22/2024 1:30 PM (1 hr) - met with Prudence to talk enumeration

8/29/2024 2:08 PM (1 hr) - caller describes an incident that occurred when her husband was walking past a residence where a dog jumped up at him, nipping at his clothing

- Stopped at the residence and spoke with the dog owner - kids were coming in and out the door and the dog slipped out and started barking at the pedestrian walking by - Dog Owner says the dogs is current on Rabies but is not licensed - I strongly encouraged that she obtain a dog license and gave her a flyer on an upcoming Rabies clinic.

8/31//2024 1:59 PM (1.25 hrs) - Caller found a dog running in and out of traffic on SR12 in Copenhagen -

- **#012-2024** Dog picked up & brought to Lewis County Humane Society. Female, Chihuahua mix, microchipped – Owners listed on the microchip were contacted.

9/4/2024 4:30 PM (1.5 hrs) - ENUMERATION starting with the Hayes Rd.

9/4/2024 5:43 PM (1.75 hrs) - Caller describes finding two dogs killing her chickens, (lost 6 of the flock)

- **#013-2024** Dog picked up & brought to Lewis County Humane Society. Female, Brindle, Pitbull, unknown age
- **#014-2024** Dog picked up & brought to Lewis County Humane Society. Female, Pitbull/Dachshund Mix, unknown age

9/5/2024 4:30 PM (1.5 hrs) - ENUMERATION completing Hayes, Doran, & Stoddard Rds.

9/6/2024 1:49 PM (.25 hrs) - Caller found a dog running on Stein Hilbert Rd. Evans Mills - was given my number to call for help; redirected him to call Dan Moyer.

9/8/2024 10:31 PM (.25 hrs) - Lowville DCO called to report that he had received a call describing a dog tied to a telephone pole near the intersection of SR 26 and 410; patrolled the area no dog found.

9/12/2024 4:00 PM (2 hrs) - ENUMERATION working on Zecher Rd., Fuller Rd. & Harris Rd.

Total time = ~ 11.5 hrs.

July 2024 Zoning Report

Permit	Applicant/Owner	Description
17/2024 – ZP SBL: 124.00-01-07.410	Applicant: John Beiler 4468 Patten Rd. Lowville, NY 13367 Owner: Aaron Stoltzfus 3006 Roberts Rd. Copenhagen, NY 13626	Single story School House – No basement 28' x 44'
18/2024 – ZP SBL: 110.00-01-03.000	Applicant: Mennonite Disaster Service PO Box 546 Lowville, NY 13367 Owner: Frank Buchal 3491 Deer River Rd. Copenhagen, NY 13626	Construct new home: Raised Ranch - Three bedroom, two-bath on slab
19/2024 – ZP SBL: 141.00-03-01.100	Applicant: George Gray PO Box 397 Copenhagen, NY 13626 Owner: River of Life Fellowship 9871 Number Three Rd. Copenhagen, NY 13367	Remove two-existing storage sheds. Erect a single 15' x 40' storage shed on same location as existing two sheds.
20/2024 – SP SBL: 112.00-01-05.121	Applicant/Owner: Ryan VanEpps 9950 East Road Lowville, NY 13367	Replace existing porch with new – 10' x 16'

Town of Denmark Planning Board

September 3, 2024

Members:

Kevin Gaines - Chairman

Nick Dunn

Mary Jones

Pat Mahar

Amanda Clark - Secretary

Guests:

Jim Der

Dustin Wyman

Gerhardt Munger

Jame LaValle

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Kevin Gaines with the start of the Pledge of Allegiance at 7pm.

James LaValle spoke about wanting to add another telecommunication tower on Delvin R Lehman and Sharon A Lehman's property on Merz Road, Town of Denmark. He had everyone review the maps of the plans and discuss every aspect of the tower.

Motion was made by Mary Jones to accept the application for the telecommunication tower as complete and seconded by Pat Mahar.

Kevin Gaines – yes

Pat Mahar – yes

Nick Dunn – yes

Mary Jones – yes

All were in favor

Motion made by Pat Mahar to refer the application for the telecommunication tower to the ZBA for further evaluation due to the height and was followed with a seconded from Mary Jones.

Kevin Gaines – yes

Pat Mahar – yes

Nick Dunn – yes

Mary Jones – yes

All were in favor

A motion was made by Nick Dunn to send the 279 L&M to the county on the telecommunication tower followed by a second by Pat Mahar.

Kevin Gaines – yes

Pat Mahar – yes

Nick Dunn – yes

Mary Jones – yes

All were in favor

Town of Denmark Planning Board

September 3, 2024

Carefree Storage – potential buyers have concerns over the roadway footage from the first structure.

The Planning Board decided that it would be grandfathered in due to being an accessory structure built before the ordinance for 75feet. All new structures will need to meet our updated zoning laws.

Pat Mahar made a motion to approve the decision made above for the carefree storage facility and seconded by Mary.

Kevin Gaines – yes

Pat Mahar – yes

Nick Dunn – yes

Mary Jones – yes

All were in favor

Next Meeting will be October 1, 2024 at 7pm.

Nick Dunn motioned to adjourn meeting at 7:40 and seconded by Pat Mahar.

Kevin Gaines – yes

Pat Mahar – yes

Nick Dunn – yes

Mary Jones – yes

All were in favor

Minutes were recorded by Secretary Amanda Clark.

September 2024

MUNICIPAL MANAGEMENT MONTHLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

RACOG UPDATES

- **RACOG Transportation Survey**

Chris Barboza will be presenting the RACOG transportation study at the RACOG board meeting on September 26, 2024.

- **Local Government Student Activity**

The Civic Service Student Activity Program (CSSAP) will be starting for the school year 2024-25. Students have until October 1, 2024 to sign up. Freshman and Sophomore students are encouraged to also sign up. If space is available, the program will open up to those students also.

- **Student Board**

There might be a possibility of having a student board that will come out of the CSSAP if RACOG is interested. That student board would share their ideas to the RACOG board. This is something that will be looked at more in the future.

- **Websites**

With school now in session, I will be looking to schedule a website training for RACOG municipalities, with a presentation on the ADA new guidelines for any municipality to attend at the Howard G. Sackett Technical Center.

- **COG Survey/Regional Opportunity**

The COG survey preliminary findings I was told are very interesting. April is hoping to get one or two more RACOG members to fill out the survey. There is talk of potentially submitting for a grant to help with EMS and volunteer firefighter initiatives to the health department. This would help to fund RACOG initiatives as a pilot project.

- **Water/Wastewater Operator Training**

This program is still being finalized, more details to come. Hope to get more information here in August on what is happening with this program.



UPCOMING

Next RACOG Meeting

September 26, 2024 @ 6:00 PM
Town of Wilna Municipal Building

Tug Hill Commission Annual Dinner

September 19, 2024
Hayloft at Moonshine Farm
Port Leyden, NY

Conference on the Environment

September 18 - 20, 2024
Virtual & Tug Hill Region

[Click Here](#)

OTHER INFO

Black River Watershed Conference Presentations

[Click Here](#)

TRAININGS

- **New York Planning Federation One Day Conferences**

Location: Various Locations

Dates: August 2, 2024, September 12, 2024, and September 26, 2024

Website/Registration: [Click Here](#)

- **Local Government Upcoming Training (NYCOM & AOT)**

Training: NYCOM Fall Training School for City and Village Officials

Location: Saratoga Springs

Dates: September 16 - 20, 2024

Website/Registration: [Click Here](#)

- **Conference on the Environment**

Using a grassroots approach to engage, support, and assist community actions that balance conservation and rural development.

Location: Boonville, Lyons Falls, and Trenton

Dates: September 18 - 20, 2024

Website/Registration: [Click Here](#)

- **Snow and Ice Control Workshop**

Training: The Cornell Local Roads Program is offering a free snow and ice control workshop.

Location: Jefferson County Cooperative Extension office in Watertown

Dates: September 19, 2024 from 8:30am to 3:00pm

Website/Registration: [Click Here](#)

- **Site Plan Review**

Training: This course is an overview of the statutory authority local governments have to review site plans.

Location: Jefferson Community College Amphitheater - Jules Center 1220 Coffeen Street

Dates: September 24, 2024 @ 6:30pm

Website/Registration: Call the Jefferson County Planning Department at 315-785-3144

GRANTS

- **Recreation Economy for Rural Communities Planning Assistance**

Recognizing that outdoor recreation is a large and growing sector of the economy nationwide, the RERC program was formed in 2019 to provide planning assistance to small towns and rural communities to help them boost their outdoor recreation economy and revitalize their main streets.

Due Date: October 16, 2024

Website: [Click Here](#)

- **Regenerate NY Forestry Cost Share**

There is \$500,000 available for eligible private forest landowners to plant trees, to mitigate climate change, provide wildlife habitat, protect air and water quality, and supply a critical renewable resource.

Due Date: November 6, 2024

Website: [Click Here](#)

- **Septic System Replacement Funds**

Round four of the Septic System Replacement Fund was recently announced and all four counties in the Tug Hill region are now eligible for funding.

Due Date: NA

Website: Lewis County [Click Here](#) Jefferson County [Click Here](#)

- **Vacant Property Clearance Grant Program**

Eligible applicants are non-entitlement units of general local government (county, town, city, or village), excluding metropolitan cities, urban counties, and Indian Tribes that are designated entitlement communities.

Due Date: December 31, 2024 (Rolling Basis)

Website: [Click Here](#)

- **Naturally Lewis 2024 Grants**

The Lewis County Development Corporation's Community Economic Development Program recently announced four grant programs available in 2024.

Due Date: Various Dates

Website: [Click Here](#)

TRAININGS

- **Grant Funding for Fish & Wildlife Habitat Restoration and Enhancement Projects**

Training: Through the Water Quality Improvement Project (WQIP program,) DEC is providing funding to conserve New York State's diverse fish and wildlife by restoring and enhancing important habitats.

Location: Webinar

Dates: September 26, 2024 from noon to 1:00pm

Website/Registration: Email nypf@nypf.org

- **Conducting Inventory of Paper Records**

Training: This webinar introduces participants to the planning, implementation, and analysis of a records inventory for paper records.

Location: Webinar

Dates: September 26, 2024 from 10:00am to 11:00am

Website/Registration: [Click Here](#)

- **Town Clerk Lunch & Learn**

Training: Fiscal Responsibility

Location: Town of Trenton Municipal Offices 8520 Old Poland Rd, Barneveld, NY 13304

Dates: September 30, 2024 from noon to 1:30pm

Website/Registration: [Click Here](#)

- **State Comptroller Webinars**

Location: Webinar

Dates: Various Dates (August and September)

Website/Registration: [Click Here](#)

- **Local Government Upcoming Training (NYCOM & AOT) - Continued**

Training: NYCOM Public Works Training School

Location: Saratoga Springs

Dates: October 21 - 23, 2024

Website/Registration: [Click Here](#)

GRANTS

- **Municipalities Zero-emission Vehicle Rebate Program Open**

The next round of DEC's Municipal Zero-emission Vehicle (ZEV) Rebate Program will provide \$750,000 to municipalities for the purchase or lease of zero-emission light- and medium-duty fleet vehicles.

Due Date: First Come First Serve Until September 27, 2024

Website: [Click Here](#)

- **NYSDEC Launches Green Purchasing Communities Program**

The program provides an easy to administer green procurement program for local governments and provides the community with recognition for implementing it.

Due Date: Unknown

Website: Unknown

TRAININGS

- **AOT Annual Training School**

Training: AOT Annual Training School

Location: NYC

Dates: February 16 - 19, 2025

Website/Registration: [Click Here](#)

- **NYCOM Annual Meeting and Training School**

Training: NYCOM Annual Meeting and Training School

Location: Bolton Landing

Dates: May 28 - 30, 2025

Website/Registration: [Click Here](#)

GRANTS

2024 NYSACC Conference on the Environment September 18-20

[Register Here](#)

[TINYURL.COM/NYSACC-CONFERENCE-REGISTRATION](https://tinyurl.com/nysacc-conference-registration)

VIRTUAL DAY PROGRAM SCHEDULE 9/18

8:30-
8:50 a.m.

Welcome

New York State Association of
Conservation Commissions and Tug Hill Commission

Tracks	Renewable Energy	Natural Resources Economy & Opportunities	Environment	Recreation & Tourism
8:50- 9:15 a.m.	Can Solar Development and Agriculture Work Together? Linda Garrett American Farmland Trust & Camille Warner, NYSERDA	Black Farmers United Julian Mangano, Della Terra Farm	Land Trusts and Conservation Easements John Souva, III, Tug Hill Tomorrow Land Trust	NYS Department of Environmental Conservation Volunteer Stewardship Program and Creation of the Tug Hill Traverse Trail Michael Giocondo, Division of Lands & Forests, NYS DEC
9:15- 9:40 a.m.	Solar Development Mapping Tool Samuel Joseph, St. Lawrence County	Sustainability Practices at Hermann J. Wiemer Vineyard Thijs Verschuuren, Hermann J. Wiemer Vineyard	Using Local Land Use Authority to Protect Water Quality Katherine Black, NYS Department of State & Charles Rorick, NYS Department of Health	Adirondack Diversity Initiative Melanie Reding, Adirondack North Country Association
9:40- 10:05 a.m.	Build-Ready Program Brian Gyory, NYSERDA	Adirondack North Country Association: Compost for Good Jennifer Perry, Adirondack North Country Association	The Nature Conservancy's NY Family Forest Carbon Program and Reforestation Program Chris Zimmerman, The Nature Conservancy	Black River Environment Improvement Association Diane Hausserman, BREIA
10:05- 10:30 a.m.	New York's Inter- Agency Fire Safety Working Group Bill Oberkehr, NYSERDA	Developing a Roadmap for a Wood-Based Bioeconomy in New York State Danielle Kloster, SUNY ESF	Nine Element Watershed Plans: Black River and Oneida Lake Gabriel Yerdon, NYS Tug Hill Commission & Aaron McKeon, Central NY Regional Planning & Development Board	Restore Forward Alicia Lührssen-Zombek, Restore Forward & Julian Mangano, Della Terra Farm

10:30-
10:45 a.m.

Break

VIRTUAL DAY PROGRAM SCHEDULE CONTINUED

	Renewable Energy	Natural Resources Economy & Opportunities	Environment	Recreation & Tourism
10:45- 11:25 a.m.	Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Relicensing Process Nick Tackett, Great Lakes Hydropower Licensing, FERC Office of Energy Projects	Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI)/NY Forward: Lyons Falls, Boonville, Lowville Danny Lapin Stefan Luter, Office of Planning, Development & Community Infrastructure, NYS Department of State	Climate Smart Community and Clean Energy Community Programs Lindsay Audin, CEM LEED AP, Croton-on-Hudson’s Sustainability Committee	Youth and Urban Groups Recreating in Nature Julie Rubenstein, Camp Woodlot, Town of Forestport & John Souva, III, Tug Hill Tomorrow Land Trust
11:25 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.	The Renewable Action Through Project Interconnection and Deployment (RAPID) Act Sarah Crowell, Office of Renewable Energy Siting (ORES)	Environmental Justice at the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation Alanah N. Keddell- Tuckey, Office of Environmental Justice, NYS DEC	Wildlife Connectivity Alissa Fadden, The Nature Conservancy	Boonville Environmental Conservation Council & Conservation Advisory Council Tyme Ferris, Boonville Environmental Conservation Council
12:00- 1:00 p.m.	Lunch			
1:00- 2:00 p.m.	"Day in the Life" Career Panel for High School and College Students Gabriel Yerdon, NYS Tug Hill Commission J.J. Kathe, Climate Forestry & Carbon Unit, NYS DEC Payton Reese, Oneida County Soil and Water Conservation District		Grant Writing Workshop: A Guide to Starting the Application for NYS Grants Kristen Hamilton, NYS Grants Management, Office of Information Technology Services	
2:00- 2:15 p.m.	Break			
2:15- 3:35 p.m.	New York State Initiatives 30x30 Plan Bureau of Forest Preserve and Conservation Easements, Division of Lands and Forests, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation 70x30 Plan Jennifer Manierre, Clean Energy Siting, NYSEDA			
3:35- 3:45 p.m.	Wrap-Up Jillian Lee, NYS Tug Hill Commission			
3:45- 4:45 p.m.	NYSACC Annual Meeting			

Virtual Day Registration:
\$25 for everyone, \$15 for
veterans/seniors, and
free for students

9/19-9/20 include field
trips around the Tug Hill
region and a conference
reception

Find more information
on our **website:**
<https://www.nysacc.net/2024-coe>

September 9, 2024

Peaches Libkie and Dan Buck



Dan and I would like to request access to water from the utility for our property located at:

3055 Roberts Road
Copenhagen, NY 13626

We did pursue drilling and fracking a well on the property but it is not producing. We would like to connect to the water utility at the fire hydrant on Roberts Rd at the corner of our property. We would take on the responsibility of putting the water line from the hydrant to the future home.

We are also sending the same request to the Village of Copenhagen for consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Peaches Libkie".

Peaches Libkie
Dan Buck (561-632-4905 cell)