

Pittsford Update

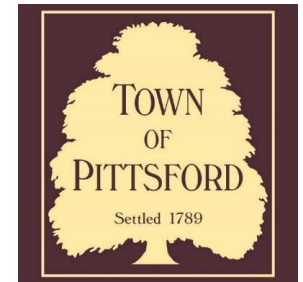
for
Wood Creek Homeowners' Association
September 17, 2020



Continued Fiscal Stability

- Town Tax Rate -- Cut 8.1% over 2 Consecutive Years
- AAA credit rating
- Able to maintain and improve the level and variety of services while cutting Town taxes
- Provide Services other Towns with Higher Taxes don't

2020 Pittsford Town Budget



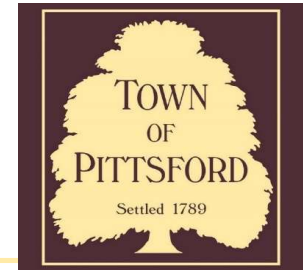
Town Taxes: less than 9¢ of every \$1 paid in Property Taxes



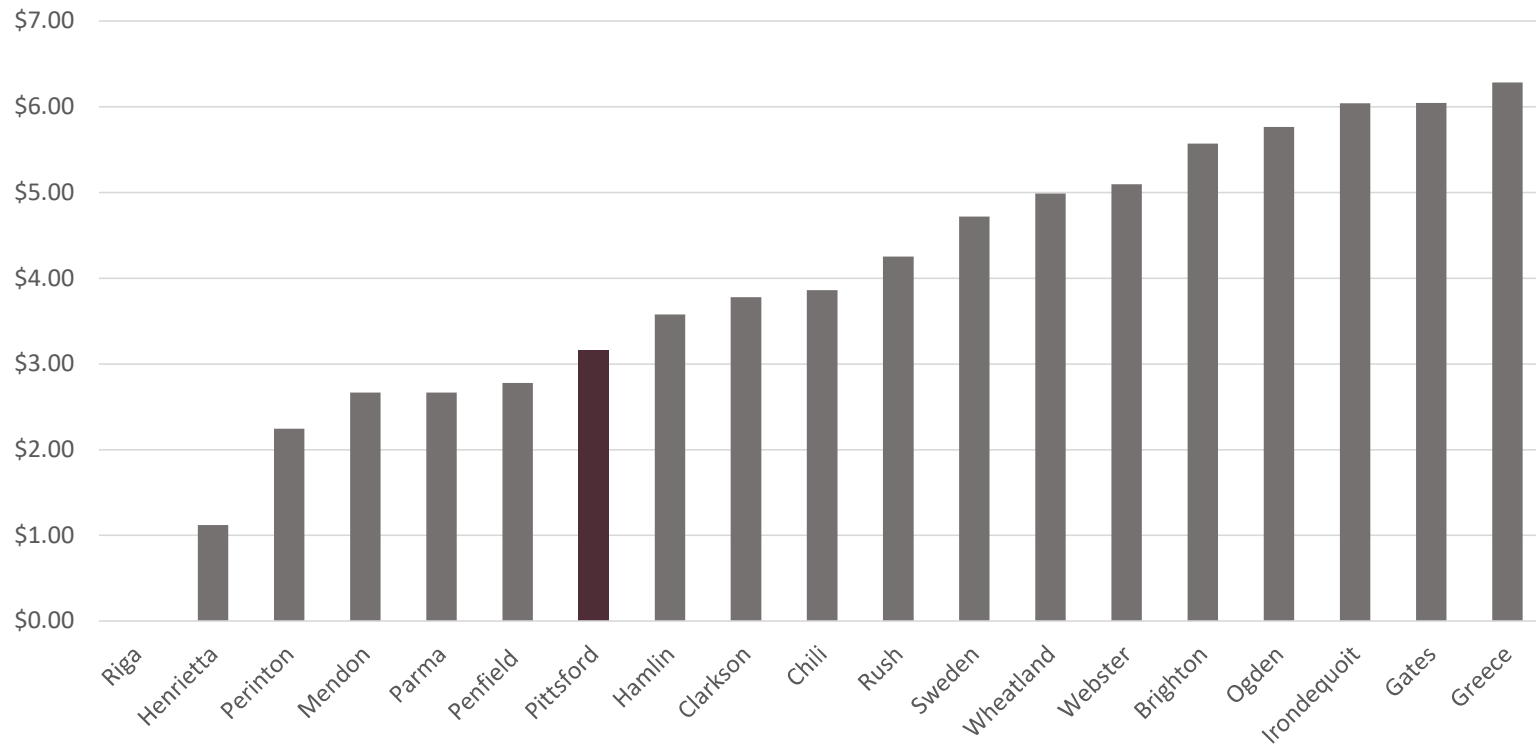
**Other Taxing Jurisdictions
91¢**

**Town
9¢**

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Town Tax Rate Comparison



Services and Amenities

- East Avenue Sidewalk
- New Dog Park
- Erie Canal Nature Preserve
- Refuse Districts program
- Improvements to the Auburn Trail and others – 85 miles of trails
- New playground at Great Embankment Park opened (last piece of our multi-year Athletic Fields Improvement project)
- Recently renovated Spiegel Center – more adult and senior programming

Sustainability Initiatives

- Community Solar
- Composting program
- Solarized Lodges at King's Bend park
- Bike racks and Fix-it station at Library, Fix-it station at Thornell Farm Park
- 2nd EV charging station, installed at community center
- Launched a community-wide Toxin-Free Challenge and responsible lawn care initiative
- LED streetlight swap out
- NYS Pollution Prevention Institute collaboration on energy consumption benchmarking program
- Potential for Greenprint 2.0

Looking Ahead

- Sidewalk from Wood Creek to Village
- Route 31 Bridge Project: March – September 2021
- Traffic Calming along Rt. 31 into Village
- Repaving of Rt. 31 from 490 into Village - 2022
- State Repaving of East Avenue from Village to College - 2022
- Village Pedestrian Safety Improvement Plan

Rt. 31 Bridge over the Canal

- Built 1973
- Proposed work: \$4.73 million
 - ❖ Steel floor
 - ❖ Concrete bridge deck
 - ❖ Approaches
- Bridge Closed March – September 2021
- Re-routing traffic



Zoning Code Revision

- Need for full Public Participation
- Based on Comprehensive Plan:
 - ✓upholding property values
 - ✓more, and more moderately-priced, housing for retirement downsizing
 - ✓mixed uses on redesigned Monroe commercial corridor
 - ✓protecting gateways into Village
 - ✓protecting rural character of South Pittsford;

Zoning Code Revision – Public Workshops and Hearings

- *Need for full Public Participation!*
- Efforts that undermine the Comprehensive Plan
 - ✓ low-income housing
 - ✓ eliminate Single-family home zoning, or curtail it
 - ✓ recent example
 - ✓ consequences for Town and School taxes
- Issues not Addressed
 - ✓ value of land in Pittsford
 - ✓ subsidize? If so, who? Taxpayers? Federal government?
 - ✓ parking? proximity to public transport?

Housing Availability in Pittsford

- Nearly half of all housing stock valued under \$249,000
- Over one-fourth valued less than \$199,000
- Over 1,000 apartment units available in Town, outside Village
- 26% of all housing in Village is rental
- Young families moving into established neighborhoods
- Pricier nevertheless than other communities?
- ✓ Yes! – A mark of a successful community.

For Pittsford's Zoning Code Update:



Hotel in Schoen Place

- Village Jurisdiction
- Barns and Buildings in use for 40 + years and deteriorating
- Preliminary plan
- Favorably received



New in Village

- Mexican Restaurant replacing The Kitchen
- New Tequila Bar near Four Corners
- Rachel's Mediterranean opened in March
- Copper Leaf Brewing - Northfield Common
- Art store



Questions / Comments