

# A VIEW OF THE FALLS

## Office of the Mayor - Richard B. Milne

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Dear Residents,

As we move into mid-September, and while it is quite obvious to all, please keep our children in your thoughts and drive with care as school is back in session, students are close to the roads waiting for busses and walking to school as well. Take that extra time in driving to where ever you need to get to and remember that no meeting or time clock is worth a child's life or even your own.

As we think of our children back in school, we also understand that Bullying has become a problem throughout society. The Village of Honeoye Falls will vote at our September Village Board meeting to recognize October as "Anti-Bullying Awareness Month" and will pledge to support the HFL School district with any programs initiated to the best of its ability. Our children are a most important asset and our schools and communities must work together to halt any bullying incidents both in school and in the community in general.

Our next Village Board meeting will include further discussion on the potential for code changes within the Village. This discussion will revolve around the allowance of restaurants with drive-thru windows to be considered in specific areas of the Village. There will not be any final vote on the topic, but I do expect to ask the Village Board to bring this discussion to a public hearing for the October Village Board meeting. Other code changes being discussed involve trailers and ancillary vehicles being parked in driveways and yards as well as cluster development and building height allowances. Again, there are no official votes being taken this month except to bring any of these subjects to a public hearing in a future meeting.

Along with the above topic of Code Changes, many have asked how we are coming on our Comprehensive Plan. I am happy with its progress and the Advisory Committee and Steinmetz Planning group have done a great job in moving this forward. I expect a public meeting to occur in the near future to discuss results thus far and to provide an update. While this process continues, it's important to note that development and Village business does continue to move forward as well.

Finally, last month there was a well-received "street dance" held on West Main Street to help celebrate the Town's 200th Anniversary and Village's 175th. Many have asked that this continue in the future. I have indeed been working with a couple individuals for quite some time with the concept of creating a music festival in the Village of Honeoye Falls. I would like to officially start a volunteer committee to help bring this concept to a reality. If you'd like to be considered for this volunteer committee, please send me an email notification to ([mayor@villageofhoneoyefalls.org](mailto:mayor@villageofhoneoyefalls.org)) or send a written note with your name and contact information to the Village Hall 5 East Street, Honeoye Falls Attention: Mayor Rick Milne).

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