

This year I made the decision not to seek re-election. While the decision was not an easy one, it was the right decision for me personally. This has been such a big part of my life for 40 years that of course, I will miss it. But I will always be available to provide support where needed or requested. I am very confident that our current Town Board will carry on the great work that we have been doing. They all work so very hard for our community and have been such a great support to me. I have confidence in the decisions they will make and the connections they will have to all of our residents.

However, leaving this position does not mean that I will just lay back and ride out my time. Oh no! We have a lot to accomplish before the end of my term and this Board expects nothing less than making sure we move projects forward for the betterment of all. These projects include improvements at Austin Park, and the Conservations Areas and adding a water tower on the West side of Town and extending the water district. Information regarding these projects is on our town website at www.townofskaneateles.com and updates will be added as we move them forward.

Spring is here and that means our Parks will awaken to new activity. Please be sure to check our website for the Parks new registration page <https://parksrec.egov.basgov.com/skaneateles> Currently, the Girls Lakeshore Softball group is moving forward with new dugouts on the North field. I'm so proud of this group for organizing this project, doing the fundraising, and now seeing it built. Plans are also in the works for updating the tennis courts and building new pickleball courts. Work will hopefully begin in late 2023 and into 2024. We hope to organize all our equipment in a dedicated enclosure at the North end of the rink and build structures to contain ball mix and wood chips used in the park. And the final part of the project is a couple years out, making sure Austin Pavilion is used to its full potential.

At the Transfer Station, Chris Legg is working with Amy Roller and her band of dedicated volunteers to man the Swap Shop every Saturday (weather permitting) through fall. Both the opening of the Swap Shop and our spring paper shredding day will be on April 22nd.

In the next few weeks, you will be receiving information from the Town Clerk's office asking if you have a dog and if it is licensed with the Town. This is a NYS requirement. If you have not licensed your dog, contact the Town Clerk's Office. Proof of rabies vaccination is required.

We awaken to spring this year with blooming daffodils and all the wonderful activities our community has during the spring, summer, and fall. I hope everyone gets out and enjoys the beautiful community we live in.

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