

2024 Town of Dover

Department Directory

Dover Town Hall

**126 East Duncan Hill Rd.
Dover Plains, NY 12522**

Town Hall Hours

Monday through Friday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Town Hall Offices

(845) 832-6111

(845) 832-3188 (fax)

Highway Dept.

**136 East Duncan Hill Rd., Dover Plains, NY
(845) 832-9567, 832-6032 (fax)**

Recreation Office

**6420 Rt. 55, Wingdale, NY 12594
(845) 832-9168, 832-3286 (fax)
DoverRecreation.com**

Justice Court

**Justice R. Wren Abrams, Sr.
5 pm Thurs. & DA Court 2nd Thurs. 5 pm**

**Justice Redmond Abrams, Jr.
5 pm Tues. & DA Court 3rd Tues. 5 pm**

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Town of Dover Website

DoverNY.us

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Departments

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Visit the Town Website DoverNY.us to find:

Town of Dover Recreation Website

DoverRecreation.com

Town of Dover Recreation Facebook

[@DoverNYRecreation](https://www.facebook.com/DoverNYRecreation)

Town of Dover Seniors Facebook

<https://m.facebook.com/groups/1854566958118978/?ref=share>

Board Meetings, Agendas, and Minutes

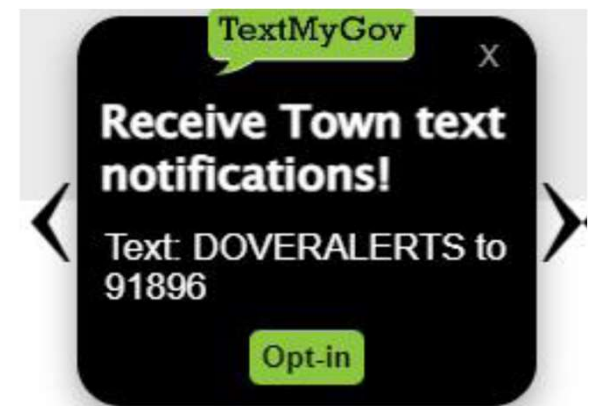


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Elected Officials

Town Hall Main Telephone is (845) 832-6111. Please dial the following extensions for
the Town Board and Town Clerk

*(Town Board meetings held at Town Hall
on the last Wednesday of the month at 6:30pm)*

<u>Office</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Phone/Ext.</u>
<i>Town Supervisor (two yr. term)</i>	Richard Yeno	110
<i>Town Councilman (four yr. term) Deputy Supervisor</i>	James Murphy	112
<i>Town Councilman (four yr. term)</i>	Jan Maluda, Jr.	112
<i>Town Councilwoman (four yr. term)</i>	Susan L. Jackson	112
<i>Town Councilman (four yr. term)</i>	Roy Thomas Holmes	112
<i>Town Clerk (four yr. term)</i>	Kathryn Palmer-House	112
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<i>Highway Superintendent (four yr. term)</i>	Jason Sartori	(845) 832-9567
<i>Town Justice (four yr. term)</i>	R. Wren Abrams, Sr.	(845) 832-3461 (845) 877-0353 (fax)
<i>Town Justice (four yr. term)</i>	Redmond Abrams, Jr.	(845) 832-3461 (845) 877-0353 (fax)
<i>Tax Collector (two yr. term)</i>	Dina Yeno PO Box 123 Dover Plains, NY 12522	(845) 877-0257

Staff Directory

****Main Number (845)832-6111****

<u>Office</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Phone/Extension</u>
<i>Account Clerk</i>	Tracy Andersen	106
<i>Assessor</i>	Judy Hyatt	105
<i>Assessor's Clerk</i>	Carolyn Lasher	120
<i>Assistant To The Highway Superintendent</i>	Teresa Jacopino	122
<i>Bookkeeper</i>	Nicole Scaramuzzo	104
<i>Building Secretary</i>	Tami Burns	103
<i>Building Inspector</i>	Donn Andersen	102
<i>Code Enforcement Officer</i>	Paul Johnston	119
<i>Confidential Secretary to the Supervisor</i>	Lisette Martinez	111
<i>Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics</i>	Tracy Andersen	106
<i>Deputy Town Clerk</i>	Bonnie Franks	108
<i>Dog Control Officer</i>	Brett Johnson	(845) 656-2361
<i>Planning / ZBA Secretary</i>	Marilyn VanMillon	100
<i>Recreation Activity Specialist</i>	Julie Muncey	125
<i>Recreation Assistant</i>	Paula Holmes	126
<i>Registrar of Vital Statistics</i>	Bonnie Franks	108
<i>Town Historian</i>	Valerie LaRobardier ValerieLarobardier@DoverNY.us	

Elected Official Emails

<u>Office</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Email</u>
<i>Highway Superintendent</i>	Jason Sartori	Highway@DoverNY.us
<i>Town Supervisor</i>	Richard Yeno	Supervisor@DoverNY.us
<i>Tax Collector</i>	Dina Yeno	Tax Collector@DoverNY.us
<i>Town Board</i>	Councilman Holmes Councilwoman Jackson Councilman Maluda Councilman Murphy	RTHolmes@DoverNY.us SJackson@DoverNY.us JMaluda@DoverNY.us JMurphy@DoverNY.us
<i>Town Clerk</i>	Kathryn Palmer-House	TownClerk@DoverNY.us
<i>Town Justices</i>	Judge R. Wren Abrams, Sr. Judge Redmond Abrams, Jr.	JudgeAbrams@DoverNY.us RedmondJr@DoverNY.us

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<i>Account Clerk / Deputy Registrar</i>	Tracy Andersen	TAndersen@DoverNY.us
<i>Assessor</i>	Judy Hyatt	Assessor@DoverNY.us
<i>Bookkeeper</i>	Nicole Scaramuzzo	Bookkeeper@DoverNY.us
<i>Building Secretary</i>	Tami Burns	Building@DoverNY.us
<i>Bldg. Inspector</i>	Donn Andersen	BuildingCEO@DoverNY.us
<i>Code Enforcement Officer</i>	Paul Johnston	CodeEnforcement@DoverNY.us
<i>Confidential Secretary to the Supervisor</i>	Lisette Martinez	LMartinez@DoverNY.us
<i>Dog Control Officer</i>	Brett Johnson	DogControl@DoverNY.us
<i>Planning & ZBA Secretary</i>	Marilyn VanMillon	LandUse@DoverNY.us
<i>Recreation Activity Specialist</i>	Julie Muncey	Recreation@DoverNY.us
<i>Registrar of Vital Statistics / Deputy Town Clerk</i>	Bonnie Franks	BFranks@DoverNY.us

Town Constables

Name

Jason Robert Dean

Susan Fundaro-Vigada

Duewayne Jackson

Brett Johnson

Francis Lansing

Romeu, Justin

2024 Consultants for the Town

Office

Name

*Town
Engineer*

Joseph Berger
Berger Engineering and
Surveying
Poughkeepsie NY

*Town
Planner*

AKRF
34 S. Broadway Ste. 314
White Plains, NY 10601

*Counsel to
the Town*

Hogan & Rossi
3 Starr Ridge Rd., Suite 200
Brewster, NY 10509

Assessment Board of Review

(Meetings annually at Town Hall in May. Call Assessor's office for date and time)

<u>Office</u>	<u>Name</u>
<i>Member</i>	Richard Rennia, Sr.
<i>Member</i>	Walter Grosvenor, Jr.
<i>Member</i>	William Dachille
<i>Member</i>	Larry House
Member	Jason R. Keller

Conservation Advisory Council

Climate Smart Dover Task Force

*(Meetings held by conference call and monthly at Town Hall
on the second Saturday of each month at 10am)*

<u>Office</u>	<u>Name</u>
Member Chairperson	Evan van Hook
Member	Debra Kaufman
Member	Greggory Mendenhall
Member	Katie Palmer-House
Member	Janet Pickering
Member	Tamar Roman
Member	Richard Yeno

Planning Board

(Meetings held at Town Hall on first and third Mondays at 7pm)

<u>Office</u>	<u>Name</u>
<i>Member</i> <i>Chairperson</i>	Ryan Courtien
<i>Member</i>	Michael Villano
<i>Member</i>	Valerie LaRobardier
<i>Member</i>	Paul Palmer
<i>Member</i>	Tamar Roman
<i>Member</i>	Henry M. Williams
<i>Member</i>	William Sedor
<i>Secretary</i>	Marilyn VanMillon <i>LandUse@DoverNY.us</i>

Records Advisory Board

(Meetings held as needed)

<u>Office</u>	<u>Name</u>
<i>Member</i>	Kathryn Palmer-House
<i>Member</i>	Richard Yeno
<i>Member</i>	Bonnie Franks
<i>Member</i>	Marilyn VanMillon

Recreation Commission

*(Meetings held at the Recreation Program Office at Boyce Park
on the first Monday of the month at 6:30pm)*

<u>Office</u>	<u>Name</u>
<i>Member</i> <i>Chairperson</i>	Kevin Kitowski
<i>Member</i>	Vacant
<i>Member</i>	Melissa Luthi
<i>Member</i>	Michael Barclay
<i>Member</i>	Vacant
<i>Member</i>	Ellen Wilcox
<i>Member</i>	Vacant

Zoning Board of Appeals

*(Meetings held at Town Hall on the first Wednesday of each month
at 7pm when an application is considered)*

<u>Office</u>	<u>Name</u>
<i>Member</i> <i>Chairperson</i>	Debra Kaufman
<i>Member</i>	Vacant
<i>Member</i>	Patrick Orlando
<i>Member</i>	Joanne Yager
<i>Member</i>	Greggory Mendenhall
<i>Secretary</i>	Marilyn VanMillon <i>LandUse@DoverNY.us</i>

Local Websites of Interest

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Website</u>
Assessment Rolls, Town Taxes Exemption, Grievance Forms	doveryny.us <i>Click "Government", under "Departments" choose "Assessor", select tab for information needed</i>
Dover Union Free School District	doverschools.org
Dover School Tax Info:	infotaxonline.com
Dover Veterans Memorial Library:	doverplainslibrary.org
Dutchess County Community Action Partnership	dutchesscap.org
Dutchess County Government:	dutchessny.gov
GIS Mapping with layers for Floodplains, wetlands and other Topographic layers	dutchessny.gov <i>Go to Quicklinks, click on "Parcel Access" Enter information about parcel, owner or address; click "Go" then "Zoom" / "Select"</i>
Town of Dover Code (Laws):	ecode360.com/DO1139

Some Local Attractions

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Website</u>
Dover Stone Church	doveryny.us <i>Enter "Stone Church" in Search Box</i>
Harlem Valley Rail Trail:	hvirt.org/
Nellie Hill and Roger Perry Memorial Nature Conservancy Preserves:	nature.org/about-us/index.htm
Trevor Zoo (at Millbrook School)	iloveny.com/listing/trevor-zoo-at-millbrook-school/3665/
Wassaic Project:	wassaicproject.org/
Wethersfield Garden:	wethersfieldgarden.org/

Miscellaneous

<u>Name</u>	<u>Phone (845 area code)</u>
Dutchess County Board of Elections	486-2473
Dutchess County Board of Health	486-3400
Dutchess County Community Action Partnership	877-9272
Dutchess County Dept. of Emergency Response (E-911)	486-6532
Dutchess County Sheriff	
-Poughkeepsie	486-3800
-Amenia substation	373-4300
Dutchess County SPCA	452-7722
DEC Regional Office / Forest Ranger	256-3026
DEC Wildlife	256-3098
Dover Union Free School District	
- Dover Middle/High School	877-5750
- Dover Elementary School	877-5730
- Wingdale Elementary School	877-5720
Dover Veterans Memorial Library	832-6605
Dutchess County Clerk's Office	486-2120
- Records Room	486-2125
J. H. Ketcham Hose Co. (Non-emergency)	877-6891
NYS Police	
- Dover Barracks	877-3031
- Troop K	677-6321
Tax Collector	
- Property (Dina Yeno)	877-0257
- School (Brenda Cudney)	877-5750 (ext. 1280)

Annual Town Events and Celebrations

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| * Town Recreation Easter Egg Hunt | * Dover Community Day |
| * Town of Dover Assessment Grievance Day | * Town Recreation Halloween Trunk or Treat |
| * American Legion Memorial Day Service | * Town of Dover Holiday Tree Lighting |
| * Town Recreation Summer Camp | |

NYS/U.S./Dutchess County Elected Officials

<u>Office</u>	<u>Name & Address</u>	<u>Phone</u>
<i>NYS Governor</i>	Hon. Kathy Hochul Governor of New York State NYS State Capitol Building Albany, NY 12224	(518)-474-8390
<i>U.S. Senator</i>	Hon. Charles E. Schumer One Park Place, Suite 100 Peekskill, NY 10566 https://www.schumer.senate.gov/Contact/contact_chuck.cfm	(914)-734-1532 (914)-734-1673 fax
<i>U.S. Senator</i>	Hon. Kirsten Gillibrand PO Box 893 Mahopac, NY 10541 invite@gillibrand.senate.gov	(845)-875-4585 (845)-875-9099 fax
<i>Congressman, 18th District</i>	Hon. Pat Ryan Office of U.S. Representative 256 Clinton Ave. Kingston, NY 12401 kayleen.scali@mail.house.gov	(845)-443-2930
<i>State Senator, 41st District</i>	Hon. Michelle Hinchey 721 Broadway, Suite 150 Kingston, NY 12401 hinchey@nyssenate.gov	(845)-331-3810 (845)-331-2083 fax
<i>NYS Assemblyman, 105th District</i>	Hon. Anil Beephan, Jr. North Hopewell Plaza, Suite #1 1075 Route 82 Hopewell Junction, NY 12533 beephana@nyassembly.gov	(845)-221-2202 (845)-221-2225 fax
<i>DC Executive</i>	Hon. Sue Serino 22 Market St., 6 th Floor Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 countyexec@dutchessny.gov	(845)-486-2000 (845)-486-2021 fax
<i>DC Legislator District 24</i>	Hon. Andrew J. House PO Box 99 Dover Plains, NY 12522 ahouse@dutchessny.gov	(845)-486-2100 (845)-486-2113 fax
<i>DC Clerk</i>	Hon. Brad Kendall 22 Market St. Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 bkendall@dutchessny.gov	(845)-486-2120 (845)-486-2138 fax

Area Human Service Providers and Helping Organizations

Catholic Charities of Dutchess County	(845) 452-1400
Center for Compassion	(845) 877-9076
Center for Prevention of Child Abuse of DC	(845) 454-0595
Dover Plains Library	(845) 832-6605
Dover Union Free School District	(845) 877-5700
Dutchess Community Action Partnership	(845) 877-9272
Dutchess Co. Office for Aging	(845) 486-2555
Dutchess County Mental Health Helpline	(845) 485-9700
Dutchess Works Job Assistance Program	(845) 473-9000
Food of Life Pantry	(845) 373-9161
Grace Smith House	(845) 471-3033
Harlem Valley Chamber of Commerce	(845) 453-0415
Hudson River Healthcare	(845) 877-4793
Hudson Valley Mental Health/Lexington Center	(845) 444-2333
Literacy Connections	(845) 452-8670
Mental Health America	(845) 473-2500
Mid-Hudson Addiction Recovery Center	(845) 452-8816
National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Mid-Hudson	(845) 206-9892
Northeast Dutchess Transit Dial-A-Ride	(518) 592-1399,Ext.5
Women's Support Services	(860) 364-1900
Vine and Branches Food Pantry	(845) 373-8193

The Town of Dover: Our Unique Culture and History

It is lost to history whether Richard Sackett, one of the area's first settlers, coined the name of lands in Eastern Dutchess that now comprise the Town of Dover. However, popular belief is that the name was bestowed as a tribute to the white cliffs reminiscent of Dover, England. Sackett's original land grant for Dover was overturned by the claim of Henry Beekman. In 1731 the Equivalent Lands Agreement deeded a 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ mile wide strip of land in Eastern Dutchess from Connecticut to New York State in exchange for land that is now Greenwich, CT. The land expanded the easternmost borders of Pawling and Dover and today is still affectionately named lands of the "Oblong."

During the Revolutionary War, General George Washington lodged and met with local generals including Putnam, Arnold and Lafayette at the Morehouse Tavern, an inn in South Dover now considered Wingdale. Iron ore smelting furnaces in the "Dover Furnace" area produced raw materials for munitions used to win the war. On February 20, 1807 at the former Old Drover's Inn in Dover Plains, 26,669 acres to the north of the Town of Pawling were separated to become the Town of Dover.

Quakers from Philadelphia and New York City initially settled and farmed the lands of Eastern Dutchess County. Their support for the abolition of slavery later played instrumental roles in establishing routes of the Underground Railroad through Pawling and Dover for safe passage of slaves to upstate New York and New England.

Dover's gentle sloping hills and valleys invited crop and cattle farming and its proximity to New York City led to expansion of the Harlem Railroad Division through the mid-1800s.

John Henry Ketcham, born and buried in Dover Plains, served as town supervisor, a longtime United States Congressman and was commissioned a brigadier general following his leadership of the NYS 150th Regiment in the Battle of Gettysburg during the Civil War. Another noteworthy resident of that time was author, editor and engraver, Benson J. Lossing who lived on Chestnut Ridge. In the late 1800s, marble and limestone was quarried from local mines which today still adorns national monuments including the Washington Arch in New York City and Arlington National Cemetery.

During the Great Depression, President Franklin Roosevelt, a Dutchess County native, established the Works Progress Act (WPA) to employ and sustain local artists, sculptors and artisans. Dover resident Arthur Powell painted local landscapes including the Dover Stone Church and Ten Mile River that have now become local art collectibles.

In the 1920's New York State commissioned health care facilities including Harlem Valley Psychiatric Center (HVPC) in Wingdale which served as an economic mainstay of the town until its closure in early 1994.

The COVID-19 pandemic from 2020 to early 2023 revealed Dover's caring and #DoverStrong community character for neighbors in need through food drives, meal deliveries to seniors and PPE distributions. Federal COVID recovery funds to Dover have improved recreation facilities and upgraded town facilities. With adoption of the Town's Comprehensive Plan Update in 2022, Dover residents' resilience and resolve are invaluable assets that will help shape the future community they envision for their children and future generations.

By Katie Palmer-House, Town Clerk