

## VILLAGE OF CLINTON

### DOT PROJECT

#### Tree Removal and Replacement

As part of the NYS DOT Clinton project (2025-2026), 24 trees were removed at the end of March 2025. All of these trees were identified in the Village's Tree Inventory as dying or seriously compromised. Most trees were Ash trees and were diseased from the Ash Borer insect.

DOT, working with the Village Tree Committee, agreed on the removal.

In addition, the Village of Clinton sent a letter to those property owners with diseased trees, prior to removal. All of these trees were on Park Rows and College and Utica Streets.

**Note: All the stumps will be removed by DOT in the coming months.**

**Trees will be replaced either in the fall or spring, dependent on the selected tree planting season. This work will be done by DOT.**

Also, please recognize that all the trees on the grassy space between the road and sidewalk are in the NYS right-of way-ROW (on the streets mentioned above).

As much as we as property owners feel attachment to these trees, legally, the location is actually considered NYS property.

On other village streets the same is true, only it is in the Village (or Town) ROW. In the Village, many other trees have been taken down and replaced. Property owners were likewise informed of removal. Tree Replacement is decided by the Tree Committee and is based on a variety of expert advice and rationale.

If you have any questions regarding Trees, don't hesitate to contact the Village office at 315-853-5231. For more information on Village Trees, look for the Tree Newsletter "Around the Green" on our website: <http://www.villageofclintonny.org/>.

The Village of Clinton was awarded "Tree City USA" status in 2023. Trees are a critical asset of our community, and the Village takes the role in preservation and growth seriously.

Mayor Elizabeth C. Tantillo

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