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**Highway Departments and Town Budgets Workshop  
August 23, 2023, 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.**

Watertown, NY – There is often a lot of confusion as to who is really in charge of the town highway department. Is it the town board or the highway superintendent? The Tug Hill Commission and the Northern Oneida County Council of Governments are providing a workshop to discuss statutory duties of both the town board and the highway superintendent when it comes to highway operations including the highway budget, hiring, and firing highway workers and control of highway equipment. Instructor Laird Petrie will lead this highway departments and town budgets discussion on Wednesday, August 23, 2023, from 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. at the Town of Trenton Municipal Center, 8520 Old Poland Road, Barneveld, NY 13304. This workshop is a second opportunity to learn more about this topic, as Mr. Petrie previously presented on it in Adams in May.

Please register by calling the Tug Hill Commission at (315) 785-2380 or emailing [tughill@tughill.org](mailto:tughill@tughill.org). If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Tug Hill Commission.

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