

Let us introduce you to Officer Greg Gormley. Officer Gormley is the Enforcement Officer of Code and Zoning, along with serving as the Fair Housing Officer, and other appointed titles. There are several 'Codes', the most common of which is NYS Building Code. There is also Municipal Code, meaning local Village Law. Throughout the Village's history it has had a Constable position.



The Village Mayor under the Laws of New York State is tasked with the responsibility to “provide for the enforcement of all laws, local laws, rules and regulations and to cause all violations thereof to be prosecuted”. One of Officer Gormley’s essential tasks, having been appointed by the mayor, is serving as the **liaison** for the Village with other law enforcement departments, including the DEC, DOH, even the FBI, amongst others, but most routinely with the CC Sheriff’s Dept and NY State Troopers.

As is often the case, if you are good at your job, and issues are thwarted before they start, they are therefore unnoticed or unrealized. This is very good for our community! Due to the confidential and sensitive nature of circumstances that arise, examples will not be given. However, Officer Gormley has professionally served in the position dealing with various complicated and difficult situations. He recognizes problems and alerts the Sheriff Deputies or Troopers to the specific needs of the Village.

Unfortunately, the issues the world is currently facing do not stop at our boundary. The troubles seen in urban areas are seen here as well, creeping into rural communities, only in smaller volumes.

Code Enforcement Officers (outside of Chautauqua County) are often required to dress in uniform that appropriately identifies them and provides them with the resources they need, including a vest for safety. It is also under the advisement of the insurance agent that the enforcement officer is provided with the support he needs.

Recently, a visitor referred to him as the Swiss Army Knife of the Village. His familiarity with the community, its residents, and outreach with businesses serves a multitude of roles including an unofficial neighborhood watch - identifying issues and deterring others.

There are several agencies, authorities, and official officers that serve our community preserving the health, safety, welfare, and quality of living we enjoy. To **ALL** of them, we owe our deepest appreciation!

Mayor Meeder