

Please come to Boston!

The Town of Boston --also known as the beautiful Boston Hills-- is an ideal place to live, raise a family, start a small business, or just enjoy life.

Supervisor: Martin A. Ballowe.

Etymology: The Town of Boston, Erie County, N.Y. was apparently named after Boston, Mass.

First Settled: In 1804 by Charles Johnson in the center of town (property purchased in fall 1803).

Incorporated: Formed from the Town of Eden on April 5, 1817.

Land Area: Approximately 36 square miles.

Native/Resident: Bostonian.

Population: 8,023 (2010 census).

Hamlets: North Boston (formerly aka Podunk), Patchin (fka Boston Center/Centre) and Boston (fka Torrey's Corners and Boston Corners). Lost hamlets include Horton Hill and Keller's Hill.

Bordering Towns: Clockwise by Orchard Park (north), Aurora (eater-cornered on the northeast), Colden (east), Concord (south), North Collins (southwest), Eden (west) and Hamburg (northwest).

Historical Markers/Landmarks: Birthplace of Ellen Beach Yaw 1868-1947 (world famous coloratura soprano), Boston's First Settler (Charles Johnson), First Fire Company (1904 in North Boston), Home of Talcott Patchin, Horton Hill (cemetery), Landon Brook Railroad Culvert (perhaps 300 feet long), Pioneer Church (now the Boston Historical Society Museum), Site of the John Love Murder December 15, 1824 (off Zimmerman Road), Typhoid Traced To Well (1843) and West Boston (cemetery).

Claims to Fame: A portion of the movie *Planes, Trains and Automobiles* (1987), starring Steve Martin and John Candy, was filmed on the 219 Expressway in Boston. Dunn Road in the southeastern part of town was named after the well known Dunn family (Dunn Tire, Hamburg's Dunn House, etc.).

Library: Boston Free Library in the hamlet of Boston.

School: Boston Valley Elementary (Hamburg School District) in North Boston.

Parks: Four well maintained parks throughout the town.

Churches: Berean Free Presbyterian Church, Churchill Memorial United Methodist Church, Faith United Church of Christ, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, St. John the Baptist Roman Catholic Church and St. Martin's Lutheran Church.

Post Offices: North Boston (14110) and Boston (14025).

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