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The Village of Rhinebeck recently completed an upgrade to their Waste Water Treatment Plant by replacing a twenty three year old plate and frame dewatering sludge press with a new state of the art volute dewatering press. Mayor Jim Reardon announced “ the installation of this new equipment will lead to a much more efficient and cost effective operation. It is much more energy efficient, eliminates the need to use lime and ferric chloride in processing resulting in a savings of approximately \$24,000 yearly. It also gives us the ability to provide for future build out which we did not have with the old equipment. We have several proposed projects on the horizon that may lead to the need for additional processing capability. Technology has advanced exponentially over the years and we are now up to date and positioned for the future”. In closing Reardon states “ I would like to thank Chief Operator Anthony Gasparini and Trustee Brant Neuneker liaison to the department for seeing this to a successful conclusion”. Total cost for the project was projected to be \$500,000 dollars. Final figures are not yet available.