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MAYOR ROOP’S MESSAGE

Sadly, we lost a member of our town family. On September 5, a member of our Planning Commission and community, Dwight Ricker, passed away. Dwight had served on the Town’s Planning Commission since June 2016. Dwight loved his New Windsor friends and was happy to serve on the Planning Commission and be part of the Heritage Committee. Dwight was a proud Marine, a loving father of four daughters, and a joyous Grandad of five. Please keep Dwight’s wife Peggy and their families in your thoughts and prayers.

Town meetings update: Our Town Council, Work Sessions, and Planning Commission meetings are still being held virtually on Zoom. The links to these Zoom meetings are posted on the Town’s Facebook Page and the Town’s Website. Town staff and I will continue to evaluate the State Phases for gatherings in public facilities. Rest assured, we will place everyone’s health and safety at the highest priority going forward.

CENSUS

As far back as 1790, we’ve been counting everyone who lives in this country. We call it the census. And America’s founders included the census in the Constitution because they wanted a Government that represents the people. Article 1 Section 2 mandates that a census occur every ten years. And that count is used to allocate seats in the House of Representatives for all 50 states. But the census is all that and more. It’s a once-a-decade chance to track the shifts in population across our country. Where do we need to build more schools, hospitals, and roads? Your response to the 2020 Census will inform how billions in federal funding flow to communities every year.

Currently, New Windsor’s 2020 response rate is only 66.60% and under the 2010 response rate of 70.20%. New Windsor is the only Carroll County Municipality that hasn’t surpassed the 2010 rate. Let’s do the math. If we use the number of 1,500 residents, that means about 500 residents have not completed the Census. Each person completing the Census equates to $1,890 in annual federal funding to the State of Maryland. That equates to $9,450,000.00 in lost revenue over the next ten years. Please take a few minutes to participate in the 2020 Census. Your response to the 2020 Census will inform how billions in federal funding flow to communities every year.

You will stand out if you do your part well.

-Ali Fazal
# TOWN CALENDAR

"Due to the COVID-19 situation please check our website and Facebook for changes to dates"

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Just a Reminder!

Effective July 1st, 2020 water and sewer billing rates will be adjusted. You will see the adjustment beginning with the October 2020 quarterly billing. The new rates for sewer will be $115.00 for the base rate and $8.37 per thousand gallons for usage. The new rates for water will be $133.00 for the base rate and $4.10 per thousand gallons for usage. As always, you may find this information on the Town website at [www.newwindsormd.gov](http://www.newwindsormd.gov)

**Meeting dates and times are subject to changes. Please confirm dates and times at the Town website www.NewWindsorMD.gov**

**Yard Waste Collection Reminders:**

1. Yard waste can be put in brown paper yard waste bags (can be purchased at Walmart, Lowes or Home Depot).
2. Yard waste can be put into cans. Please make sure lids fit and holes are drilled in the bottom of the cans for drainage. Please no cans that are broken and or have sharp edges.
3. Tree limbs can not exceed more than 4 foot long and 4 inch diameter and must be tied into bundles.
4. Please NO DOG WASTE!!
5. Yard waste starts the first Wednesday in April and ends the first Wednesday in November.
6. Call the Town Office to see if a dumpster is available during flooding events or inclement weather.
7. Please do not mix trash into yard waste or it will not be picked up!

**New Windsor Fire Department**

All activities for the year of 2020 has been cancelled.
However, please follow NWFD on Facebook for fundraisers and future events.

**National Night Out 2020 UPDATE:**

As we are all aware, 2020 has been full of surprises and will definitely be documented in the history books. Due to the current health pandemic, events around the nation have been canceled, including the annual National Night Out events held throughout the Country. Due to the safety concerns and to help combat the spread of COVID-19 the Carroll County Sheriff’s Office and Westminster Police Department have decided to team up for the county’s very first “Virtual National Night Out”.

The Virtual National Night Out will include a short crime prevention series that will be posted daily on both agencies’ social media outlets throughout the week of October 5, 2020 to October 9, 2020. These dates were picked after the Neighborhood Watch Association had requested that the event be postponed until October 6, 2020, pending the status of the pandemic.

For those who are not aware, National Night Out was founded in 1984 as a community-building campaign by the Neighborhood Watch Association. The event is geared to help reduce crime by promoting police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie. The event has grown greatly over the years and now is celebrated nationally, by over 38 million neighbors across 16,000 communities, according to the National Night Out website.

Since we cannot meet in person this year, you can pick up a kid’s activity pack at the New Windsor or Union Bridge Town Hall during business hours, on the week of October 5, 2020 to October 9, 2020. Please, remember that these packs are only available while supplies last.

If you still want to participate in the festivities within your home, you can. Simply hold a household cookout, decorate that yard or turn on that front porch light. Don’t forget to follow us on social media for the week of October 5, 2020 for the Virtual National Night Out and by showing us support by hitting that “LIKE” button. On behalf of the Carroll County Law Enforcement Community, we hope to see you in person at next year’s National Night Out 2021. Until then, stay safe and healthy.

**UPDATE AND CORRECTION!!!**

We apologize for misinformation, these dates have been corrected in half of the newsletters, please pass on this correct information to your neighbors!!

**TRICK OR TREAT!!**

**Time/Date:** October 31st from 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM, Make sure you leave a porch light on if you wish to participate!

**LIONS CLUB TRUNK OR TREAT!!**

**Time/Date:** Saturday, October 31st

**Time:** 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

**Locations:** Back parking lot of the NWSB Bank

213 Main Street
New Windsor, MD 21776

Don’t forget to Fall Back Sunday, November 1st.
For the safety of our equipment and employees, the properties on the South side of Main Street shall rake their leaves to the rear of the property line on Spoerlein Drive. The properties on the North side shall rake their leaves to the rear of the property line on Manning Drive.

NO LEAVES WILL BE PICKED UP ON MAIN STREET between the 200 Block and 500 Block of Main Street.

Yardwaste will be extended until November 4. Additionally, residents may set out leaves in cans or bags that week. NO CURB SIDE LEAF VACUUMING.

Leaf pickup will start November 9 and because Veterans day is on November 11 the schedule for that will be as follows:

Monday- stays the same
Tuesday- stays the same
Wednesday- Veterans Day
Thursday- Atlee Ridge and Blue Ridge

Bulk trash will be October 24 and new guidelines will be in place due to Covid-19.

Residents must abide by state rules regarding Covid-19. Residents should keep at least a 6ft distance from Town staff and may NOT enter Town buildings. Residents must also keep distance from each other.

Only one load of bulk trash per residence (household)!

Only 3 vehicles will be permitted to offload bulk items at a time. Residents will be responsible for unloading bulk items into the dumpsters. Public Works will NOT assist. (Please be mindful of this when you load your vehicle.)

Residents will enter the unloading area under the direction of PW and exit to the rear (signs will be posted.)

Residents may not enter under any circumstances congregate. Once unloaded you must exit the facility.

No residential household garbage will be accepted. This service is for bulk items only!

Any unsanitary items must be bagged prior to disposal including toilets.

There will be limited space. Once the dumpsters are full we will close. Hours of operation are 8am-12pm, or until dumpsters are full.

The yard waste containers will be closed to the public during bulk trash!

For questions regarding accepted items please contact Town Hall.

For the safety of our equipment and employees, the properties on the South side of Main Street shall rake their leaves to the rear of the property line on Spoerlein Drive. The properties on the North side shall rake their leaves to the rear of the property line on Manning Drive. NO LEAVES WILL BE PICKED UP ON MAIN STREET between the 200 Block and 500 Block of Main Street.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE OF LEAF VACUUMING

MONDAY Church Street, Lambert Avenue, Maple Avenue, Hillside Drive and High Street

TUESDAY College Avenue, Blue Ridge Avenue, North side of Main Street in the rear on Manning Drive, South side of Main Street in the rear of Spoerlein Drive, properties facing Route 75, Main Street from 100 Block to Church Street

WEDNESDAY Atlee Ridge Road, Jo Apter Place, Kaylan Court, Kelsey, Court, Overleigh Way and Vista Court

THURSDAY Blue Ridge – Graybill Court, Murphye Court, Miles Court, Clauser Court, Gullo Road, 103 – 113 Springdale Avenue corporate limits.

Public Works needs your cooperation in order to continue providing this service to New Windsor residents

PLEASE NO DIRT, STONES, STICKS, TRASH, OR PET WASTE!
Snow Emergency Routes

The Town Code states parking is prohibited on designated Town Snow Emergency Routes whenever a Snow Emergency has been declared by the State Highway Administration or the Maryland State Police. Parking is prohibited until the Snow Emergency is lifted and the streets are cleared of snow. The parking prohibition applies to all vehicles including towed vehicles such as trailers and campers. Having the streets clear of parked vehicles during snow events allows the Town crews to clear the snow more quickly and is safe for the Town residents and staff.

Please be advised that Maryland Transportation Article 21-1119 authorizes law enforcement officers to ticket and tow vehicles parked on snow emergency routes when a snow emergency is declared. Violators of this transportation article could be fined $70. Violator's will also be responsible for the tow bill, if the vehicle is in fact towed.

When a snow emergency is declared by the State Highway Administration, the Town of New Windsor will post the declaration on the Town's Website and Facebook page. Please remember to stay educated during snow events. Whenever you hear the weatherman call for snow, play it safe and just remove your vehicle from the street so you are not burdened later with cost associated with violations.

New Windsor Snow Emergency Routes

Old Town
- Atlee Ridge
- Blue Ridge
- Blue Ridge Ave
- Church Street
- College Ave
- Lambert Ave
- Hillside Drive
- Main Street
- Maple Ave
- Water Street
- Atlee Ridge Road
- Kelsey Court
- Overleigh Way
- Vista Court
- Jo Apter Place
- Kaylan Court
- Murphy Court
- Graybill Court
- Guillio Road
- Miles Court

Additional information and updates will be provided on the Town Website and Facebook Page.

What is the best way to clean snow from the sidewalks? Remove snow along the sidewalk adjacent to your property. Do not push snow from the sidewalk into the street. Clear the snow from around the fire hydrant if there is one in front of your property. You should move the snow to your front yard, behind the stoop line, or the grass strip between the curb and sidewalk if one exists. Where possible try to clear a path at least three feet wide along the sidewalk. Corner property owners should clear a path for bus stops.

We understand it can be frustrating when our plows push snow back over an area you already shoveled however, please read below to understand why this happens and how to resolve it.

Why do snow plows leave a ridge at the end of my driveway? Who is responsible for clearing the ridge? Snow ridges are an unavoidable after-effect of plowing streets, particularly in larger or heavier snow storms. Public Works must plow to create a passable driving lane. While this clears a path for traffic, it may leave a snow ridge. We appreciate this concern. However, residents are responsible for clearing any ridge in front of their driveway. We suggest driveways be cleared after street snow clearing operations are conducted, this means when the full road is free of snow back to the curb.

Cul-De-Sacs are extremely difficult to plow and time consuming. THANK YOU to residents who live on Cul-De-Sacs for your continued patience and understanding.

Park cars in driveways: Parking cars in the driveway will allow snow plows to clear the snow more quickly, get streets plowed as wide as possible and avoid the possibility of damaging cars.

Clear sidewalks within 24 hours of the end of the snow: Clearing the sidewalks is the responsibility of the property owner. Town code requires the sidewalks to be cleared within 24 hours of the end of the snow.