

- All Town and Commission meetings now begin at 7pm.
- Starting in May, all Town Parks will have set hours. From March 15-November 14, they will be open 7am-9pm. From November 15-March 14, they will be open from 7am-5pm.
- Park pavilion rental fees have changed. Small pavilions will now be \$75, and the large pavilion at Heritage will be \$100. There will no longer be a security deposit required. Alcohol permits will be available for a \$10 fee.
- Bulk trash pickup will be for *in-town* residents, June 4 and November 5, 2022. Items can be placed out starting the Wednesday before.
- Yard waste pickup, for *in-town* residents, is every Thursday through December 8, 2022. Please place curbside Wednesday evening.
- Now that Spring has arrived, please remember, Town code states that it is unlawful to allow grass, brush, or weeds to grow over 8" (eight inches) on any part of your property.
- Walkersville has a permanent, year-round water ban that prohibits lawn watering between the hours of 9:00am and 6:00pm.
- During renovations at the Town Office, the recycling dumpster will be located behind the Walkersville Volunteer Fire Company, at 79 W. Frederick St, on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month.
- Online bill payment for water bills will be available soon.
- Veteran Memorial bricks can still be purchased for \$50 each. The fillable form can be found on our website [www.walkersvillemd.gov](http://www.walkersvillemd.gov). Orders must be in by May 31.
- Sign-up for The Walkersville Wire at [www.walkersvillemd.gov](http://www.walkersvillemd.gov), to receive important, up to the minute updates from The Town.

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#### **Burgess Chad Weddle**

Commissioner Michael Bailey  
Commissioner Gary Baker  
Commissioner Mary Ann Brodie-Ennis  
Commissioner Tom Gilbert  
Commissioner Mike McNiesh

#### **Town Hall Staff**

Sean Williams-Town Manager  
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Diane Fauble-Water Administrator  
Sherrie Kline-Office Administrator  
Ashley Bailey-Communications Specialist

#### **Public Works Staff**

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#### **Code Enforcement Officer**

Rick Mercer

# Comp Plan Update Process—Where are we?

The Town Comprehensive Plan sets forth the Town's vision for its future. It guides and forms the basis for future decisions regarding land use, zoning, community facilities, and roads. It also sets forth policy on a wide range of topics. The Town staff drafts the plan document and maps in accordance with the Planning Commission's direction and decisions. The update process is necessarily slow to give residents, property owners, and other stake holders ample opportunity to fully participate in the review process. The process involves:

- o Resident survey (2020)
- o Submission of property owner requests for land use designation change (Dec 2020 – Mar 2021)
- o Information gathering, preliminary discussion of trends, issues, property requests, growth & no growth scenarios (2020 – PRESENT)
- o **OCTOBER 2021 – PRESENT** Finalization of Draft Plan text and map by staff.
- o **60 Day Public Review (2-4 months), Public hearings:** Once a draft plan is voted on, it is subject to a 60 day review period by the public, State agencies, County agencies and nearby municipalities. All comments will be compiled by staff along with all comments received at the public hearing to be held at the end of the 60 day review period. **Public hearings will not be held until the Town Hall renovations are complete (currently projected to be completed in early summer 2022)**
- o **Review of Comments, Revisions, Adoption (2-3 months):** The Planning Commission will review all the comments received and direct the staff to revise the plan based on comments. The Commission will then vote to adopt the plan and forward it to the Burgess and Commissioners for approval.
- o **Burgess and Commissioners review and approval (2-4 months):** The B&C will also hold public hearings. If they revise the plan substantially, their revisions will be referred back to the Commission for comment/vote before it is finally approved.
- o **Code amendments (4-6 months):** Included in the plan will be recommended changes to the Town Code. Some, including changes to the Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance, are likely to be implemented soon after the Plan is adopted.
- o **Zoning Changes/Rezoning (6-12 months):** A draft zoning map is likely to be proposed as part of the Comprehensive Plan. However, it will be subject to a review and approval process after the Plan is adopted.

## Water Rate Schedule

CONSUMPTION	IN TOWN	OUT OF TOWN*	INDUSTRIAL
0 – 10,000 GAL.	\$72.00	\$108.00	\$72.00
10,001-25,000 GAL	\$3.66/1,000 GAL	\$5.47/1,000 GAL	\$2.77/1,000 GAL
25,001-50,000 GAL	\$6.01/1,000 GAL	\$9.02/1,000 GAL	\$4.51/1,000 GAL
50,001 + GAL	\$7.79/1,000 GAL	\$11.68/1,000 GAL	\$6.01/1,000 GAL
COLLECTION FEE	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00
READING FEE	\$10.00	\$20.00	
RECONNECT FEE	\$100.00	\$100.00	
REPLACE CAP	4/12/17 \$50.00 1 <sup>st</sup> time, afterwards the actual cost up to \$300	4/12/17 \$50.00 1 <sup>st</sup> time, afterwards the actual cost up to \$300	
RETURN CK FEE (per occurrence)	\$35.00	\$35.00	

## Frequently Used Phone Numbers

- Animal Control: (301) 600-1546
- Fire Company: (301) 600-9110
- Code Enforcement: (240) 626-1243
- MSP Resident Troopers: (301) 600-4152
- Food Bank: (301) 845-4229
- Library: (301) 600-8200
- Post Office: (301) 845-8342
- Rescue Co.: (301) 845-8875
- Sewer Dept. Fred. Co.: (301) 600-2354

\*OUT OF TOWN includes Discovery, Spring Garden Estates, and Glade Manor 1

\*\*A \$50 assessment fee will be added to water bills, to offset the cost of the new water treatment plant, through the November 2023 billing cycle.

Water meters are read on April 1st and October 1st of every year. Bills are mailed May 1st and November 1st. Payment is expected within 30 days of the billing date. Interest accrues at the rate of 1% per month on the outstanding balance. Failure to pay in a timely manner could result in water disconnection. There is a \$100 cash reconnection fee during business hours; THERE ARE NO AFTER HOURS RECONNECTIONS.