Talk of the Town

November 2021

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PARK PAVILION RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

Reservations for all park pavilions require a rental fee of \$50* plus a separate \$75 security deposit. *The large pavilion at Heritage Farm Park rents for \$75. Reservations for 2022 will be taken beginning January 3, 2022. No reservations are accepted over the phone. Rental forms can be found on our website.

Parks are open 7:00am-sunset.

FREQUENTLY USED PHONE NUMBERS

Animal Control 301-600-1546 Code Enforcement 240-626-1243 Fire Co. 301-600-9110 Food Bank 301-845-4229 Library 301-600-8200 MSP Resident Troopers 301-600-4152 Post Office 301-845-8342

Rescue Co 301-845-8875

Sewer Dept. (Fred. Co) 301-600-2354 *****

VETERANS DAY CEREMONY will be held Sunday, November 7 at 1:00pm at Memorial Park (corner of Main St & Pennsylvania Ave) in old town Walkersville.

BULK TRASH will be collected for in-town residents on Saturday, November 20. All items need to be placed curbside after regular trash pickup on Wednesday.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING

will be held at Creamery Park (corner of S. Glade Rd & Pennsylvania Ave) on Wednesday, December 1 at 7:00pm. Please join us!

The Town of Walkersville has been awarded the "Water System of the Year" for 2021 by the Maryland Rural Water Association! This award shows that we are a leader in the future of water treatment.

PERMANENT WATER BAN

Walkersville has a permanent, year-round water ban that prohibits lawn watering between the hours of 9:00am and 6:00pm.

WATER RATE SCHEDULE

CONSUMPTION	IN TOWN	OUT OF TOWN *
0 – 10,000 GAL.	\$72.00	\$108.00
10,001-25,000 GAL	\$3.66/1,000 GAL	\$5.47/1,000 GAL
25,001-50,000 GAL	\$6.01/1,000 GAL	\$9.02/1,000 GAL
50,001 + GAL	\$7.79/1,000 GAL	\$11.68/1,000 GAL
COLLECTION FEE	\$20.00	\$20.00
READING FEE	\$10.00	\$20.00
RECONNECT FEE	\$100.00	\$100.00
REPLACE CAP	\$50.00 **	\$50.00 **

* OUT OF TOWN includes Discovery, Glade Manor I and Spring Garden Estates.

** 2nd time – Cost of cap plus labor to install; up to \$300.00

RECONNECTIONS DURING BUSINESS **HOURS ONLY!**

NOTE: At the July 14, 2021 Town Meeting, the Burgess and Commissioners voted to change the special assessment on water bills to \$50 per billing cycle, and is the result of the new water treatment plant we installed last year. This assessment will be charged through the November 2023 billing cycle.

IF YOU CANNOT PAY YOUR WATER BILL

IN FULL AT ONE TIME, please make payments as you can. 1% interest is added monthly. This bill must be paid in full before February 28 to avoid disconnection. Please put the account number on your check.

TOWN MEETINGS are held the second and fourth Wednesday of each month *except* for the months of July, November and December when there is only one meeting. PARKS COMMISSION meets the first Wednesday of each month *except* for July. PLANNING COMMISSION holds a workshop on the second Tuesday of each month and a regular meeting on the fourth Tuesday of each month.

BOARD OF APPEALS meet, as needed, on the first Tuesday of each month.

ALL MEETINGS BEGIN AT 7:30PM AT TOWN HALL.

All meetings are live-streamed on our website.

CURBSIDE YARD WASTE PICK UP

Is provided by the Town for *in-town* residents only every Thursday. This will run through Thursday, December 9, 2021. Please place containers and bundles at the curb before 7:00am.

Acceptable materials include:

- Grass clippings
- Leaves
- Weeds
- Branches no longer that 4 feet

Branches and limbs must be bundled.

Unacceptable materials include:

- Rocks
- Concrete
- Sod
- Soil
- Mulch
- Ashes
- Items in excess weight of 45 pounds
- Items in excess length of 4 feet
- Household hazardous waste
- Tires
- Regular trash

Residents are required to place items in a recyclable paper bag or loose in containers clearly labeled "Yard Waste". Anything in plastic bags will NOT be picked up.

REMINDERS -

Water bills are mailed the first of May and the first of November. We accept cash, checks, and money orders. There is a night deposit letter drop outside the front double doors for payments. If you are paying by credit card, you must come inside. Ring the bell, and you will be buzzed in. You may also set up a payment through your bank, and they will mail us a check. If you can't pay the full amount at one time, break it down into several payments that fit your budget.

Sewer bills come from Frederick County, and are mailed quarterly – January, April, July, and October.

RECYCLING dumpster and recycling officer will be behind Town Hall every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month from 9:00am to 5:00pm.

A list of acceptable items can be found at www.co.frederick.md.us/recycling

Snow Emergency – Cars must be moved off the street when there is an accumulation of 4" or more of snow/ice. This allows the plows to clear the streets. Also, sidewalks must be cleared within 24 hours after the snow stops.

Unlicensed or Inoperative Vehicles In

Town – No dismantled, inoperative or unlicensed motor vehicles may by parked or stored on any lot unless such vehicles are within a complete enclosed building or within a permitted commercial or industrial zoning district. One vehicle may be stored under an approved car cover, but NO tarps, plastic of other covering.

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