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TOWN MANAGER REPORT FEBRUARY 2013

Milton Recognized for CDC Award

The Delaware Division of Public Health announced on February 12, 2013 that Milton has been awarded the *Water Fluoridation Quality Award* by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. This award is granted to communities that adjust and achieve a fluoride level in drinking water that is optimal in the prevention of tooth decay for twelve consecutive months in a year. Milton was among the thirty communities in Delaware to be recognized with this award.

Training Better Professionals to Serve You

The Public Works Department has regular low and no-cost safety training meetings on a regular basis. Similarly, local technical conferences and professional seminars are provided at very low cost.

The Town Manager received training in Hurricane Preparedness and Response at FEMA's Emergency Management Institute in February. Meals and mileage were the only cost for this training. The management and staff of the Water Department received training at the Delaware Rural Water Association Technical Conference in February, as well. This training was provided at a cost of \$25 per person.

And, in April, our Senior Accounting Clerk will be attending a seminar on Human Resources Management. The cost of this training is just \$149.

Through training and association with peers in our profession, we are able to move more quickly with the implementation of best practice – and avoid common mistakes. The use of your tax dollars on this budget category is carefully considered and its value will be realized through better service.

Human Resources News

The Personnel Committee met twice in the last six weeks. Amendments to the Employee Handbook are under consideration. These amendments will ensure that all Town of Milton documents relating to employment practices are up-to-date and consistent with state and federal laws.

Memorial Park Rain Garden

Please see the attached description of the proposed project. The project is being funded through a grant by the Milton Community Foundation and has technical assistance from the Department of Natural Resources and the University of Delaware. Council consideration and public support for the project is greatly appreciated.

Upcoming Events

Mark your calendars for the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade, starting at 2pm, proceeding south on Union St. and continuing onto Federal St. Thank you, Irish Eyes Restaurant for your sponsorship of this great community event!