



TOWN OF MILTON

NEWSLETTER

Fall 2020

115 Federal Street, Milton, DE 19968

A note from the Town Manager:

Greetings to all!

First, thank you for adhering to State issued guidelines related to COVID-19. Keep up compliance with social distancing, wearing masks as required, and sanitizing. These actions keep our community safe.

Next, Fiscal Year 2021 budget was adopted by Town Council on September 21st. The Town's fiscal year is October 1 – September 30. A few projects to look forward to this year are paving of a few streets within Shipbuilders Village; paving of the first block of Front Street; Magnolia Street bulkhead and drainage; completion of Rails to Trails Phase II – plantings and lighting; and forward progress of drinking water infrastructure upgrades.

Since the issuance of Governor Carney's State of Emergency Modification #29, penalties and interest on delinquent balances and termination of services is again allowable. Since March 2020, the Town ceased assessing penalties and interest on all delinquent accounts and deferred termination of utility services. Beginning October 2020, penalties and interest, and terminations of utility services will be resumed in accordance with Town Code and with proper notification. Should you have outstanding balances with the Town, it's important to remit payment, or be in contact with a member of the Towns Administrative Team to begin a payment plan to prevent termination of services. If you have been affected by the impacts of COVID-19, you are eligible for a four-month payment plan. If you elect to enroll in a payment plan, proof of your COVID impact is necessary. We understand the impacts COVID-19, but must resume Town processes and procedures to prevent future complications with outstanding accounts.

At this point, you should have received a Welcome Letter and four-month schedule from Waste Industries-GFL for waste, recycle, and yard waste collection. If not, the information is also posted on the Towns website: <https://milton.delaware.gov/2020/09/19/change-in-waste-collection-october-1st/> Be sure to keep eye on the Town website, as it's kept up to date with information.

In closing, we are a community of citizens and businesses. Please be mindful of acting neighborly, by treating others with compassion, respect, and understanding. #MILTONSTRONG!

Best Regards, *Kristy Rogers*

Town Hall

Monday – Friday

8:30 am – 5:00 pm

Departments:

Administrative

Planning & Code Enforcement

Public Works

www.milton.delaware.gov

Office: 302-684-4110

Fax: 302-684-8999

After hours Drinking Water

emergency contact:

302-462-1775

Police Department

Non-Emergency

302-684-8547

Supervisors:

Kristy Rogers, Town Manager

Stephanie Coulbourne, Town Clerk

Tom Quass, Project Coordinator

Derrick Harvey, Police Chief

Greg Wingo, Public Works

Fire Department

Non-Emergency

302-684-8500

ANY EMERGENCY, dial

9-1-1

Mayor and Councilmembers

- Ted Kanakos, *Mayor*
- Kevin Kelly, *Vice-Mayor*
- Richard Baty, *Treasurer*
- Michael Cote, *Councilman*
- Vacant - *Council seat*
- James "Sam" Garde, *Secretary*
- Randi Meredith, *Councilwoman*

Regularly Scheduled, Monthly Meetings

- Town Council
- Historic Preservation Commission
- Planning & Zoning Commission
- Board of Adjustment

**View the meeting agenda posted on the Town website or bulletin board 7-days' in advance of the meeting for item(s), location, and time as meetings may vary.*

Town Service Providers

- Comcast
- * Cable * Internet * Phone
800-934-6489
- Delmarva Power & Light
* Electric
800-375-7117
- Tidewater Utility
* Wastewater
877-720-9272

Though Town facilities are closed to the public at this time, call or email any questions or concerns.

Payments and applications are accepted through drop-slot in the back-door entrance of Town Hall.

A few seasonal reminders:

Our Public Works Department conducts routine maintenance on water meters throughout the town. If you happen to see a town vehicle and/or staff, they are there conducting water checks. Some water meters are located in the crawlspace of homes or in the basement of others, we ask that you comply with our Public Works Employees.

Water Meter Pits – Keep in mind that all water meter pit covers need to be kept clear of mulch, soil, dirt, plants, bushes, statuary, etc. This is to ensure easy access to the meter pit for meter readings, maintenance of the pit &/or meter, etc.

CHAPTER 215-10 – B. Meters shall be installed outside of the premises, which will facilitate easy access for reading. The location of meters will be determined by the Town. Refusal of a property owner to allow the location or relocation of a meter in accordance with the Town's determination will result in termination of the refusing property owner's water service. [See Town of Milton Charter, Section 29, Subsection (a) (8)].

Plumbing Winterization Tips – With cooler night temperatures approaching, it is time to start thinking about winter preparation for water. Listed are a few home ready tips.

- Keep exterior doors and/or garage doors closed.
- Have irrigation systems shut off and drained
- Wrap any pipes that may not be exposed to heat.
- Disconnect and drain outdoor hoses and faucets.
- Seal and close crawl space vents.
- Fill any crack or hole on outside walls or foundation to help stop cold air.

Important! – Know the location of your shutoff valve inside your home. Call Town Hall at the first sign of a water leak. Our Public Works Department will turn the main water supply off at the curb or shutoff valve.

Solid waste, recycle, and yard waste containers – In efforts to keep our streets and sidewalks passable, the following regulations are within Town Code Chapter 179 regarding containers:

- Placed at the street no earlier than sunset the day prior to collection nor later than 7:00am the day of collection; and
- Removed no later than 6:00pm the day of collection and stored to a point at the side or rear of the structure.

Bulk Waste Item Pickup – Call Town Hall to schedule a bulk item pickup of **one item** per week. This may include a home appliance, mattress, grill, etc. No construction material is permitted.



Halloween... is just around the corner and soon the little ghosts and goblins will be knocking on doors. Keep those candy bowls full, Trick-or-Treating will be Saturday, October 31st, from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Please follow state guidelines regarding social distancing to help keep everyone safe!

Enjoy the falling leaves and the crisp autumn air!