



TOWN OF MILTON

NEWSLETTER

Summer 2020

115 Federal Street, Milton, DE 19968

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 Captain
Greg Wingo, Public Works

Fire Department
Non-Emergency
302-684-8500

ANY EMERGENCY, dial
9-1-1

A note from the Town Manager:

Greetings! As we all seem to be asking for a re-do of 2020, I hope that you are well during this uncertain time. Many are enduring hardships because of COVID-19, and rest assured that Town officials are determined to keep our community safe and healthy. Let's try to focus on positive points in our lives and dream of the hustle and bustle when we are no longer "grounded". Dream of the upcoming days when the Town will be vibrant with smiling faces and social activities! Oh, what fun we will have gathering in the Memorial Park and enjoying the summer concert series, festivals, movie nights, the Farmer's Market, and many other social gatherings. Milton Rails to Trails, Phase II between Federal and Lavinia Streets is now open for pedestrian and bicycling use!

To get to this point again, please remember the following tips while the State of Emergency declarations are in-effect: Stay home if not feeling well, Wash your hands frequently, Social distance, Clean surfaces regularly, and Wear a cloth face mask in public. Following the Governor's orders will assist in "flattening the curve". The Town's website is kept current with COVID-19 information from Federal, State, and local agencies. Our work and social lives have suddenly slowed, but take time to enjoy the warm weather, the sunshine, flowers, and time with family.

Remember April 1st kicked off the 2020 Census. By now, you should have received an invitation whether by post card or letter to participate in the Census; if not, no worries as there is a link on the Town's website with all the Census information. The Census form takes less than 10 minutes. Completing the Census helps determine congressional representation, community funding, and data that impacts Delaware for many years. It's extremely important to say "I Count"! Our future is dependent on complete count communities because it's vital for many programs that affect our State such as healthcare, food, education, infrastructure, and much more. If you don't have online access to complete the Census, again that's not a hindrance because you may also complete the Census by Phone or Mail. Don't wait...be counted today!

Keep eye on the Town's website for up to date information and any meetings that may be scheduled. Stay well and think #MILTONSTRONG!

Best regards,
Kristy Rogers

Mayor and Councilmembers

- Ted Kanakos, *Mayor*
- Kevin Kelly, *Vice-Mayor*
- Richard Baty, *Secretary/Treasurer*
- Michael Cote, *Councilman*
- Charlie Fleetwood, *Councilman*
- James "Sam" Garde, *Councilman*
- Randi Meredith, *Councilwoman*

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:

The Town contracts with the Delaware Department of Natural Resources (DNREC), Mosquito Control Section for the spraying of mosquitoes. To assist with keeping the mosquito population at a minimum, follow the below recommendations as mosquitoes breed in water:

- DISPOSE OF TIRES LAYING AROUND HOLDING WATER
- CLEAR ROOF GUTTERS OF DEBRIS
- CLEAN PET WATER DISHES REGULARLY
- DRILL HOLES IN BOTTOM OF RECYCLING CONTAINERS
- CHECK & EMPTY CHILDREN'S TOYS
- REPAIR LEAKY OUTDOOR FAUCETS
- CHANGE WATER IN BIRD BATHS FREQUENTLY
- AVOID WATER COLLECTING ON POOL COVERS
- CANOES, KAYAKS & OTHER BOATS SHOULD BE TURNED OVER
- PLUG TREE HOLES
- EMPTY WATER COLLECTED IN TARPS AROUND THE YARD OR ON WOODPILES

View <https://dnrec.alpha.delaware.gov/fish-wildlife/mosquito-control/> for more information.

Grass and weeds - With the increased hot and humid temperature, grass and weed growth will slow down, but requirements remain in-effect. Town Code Chapter 152 entitled "Nuisances" and Town Code Chapter 158 entitled "Property Maintenance" provide requirements of grass and weeds. Height must be kept less than 8 inches, no growth or accumulation on sidewalks or in the street, and shrubbery must be trimmed away from streets and sidewalks to prevent sight distance issues, pedestrian interference, or tripping hazards.

Properties with irrigation systems - The State of Delaware and Milton Town Code Chapter 215-30 entitled "Cross connection; prevention requirements", requires the installation of a backflow device on all irrigation systems and annual testing by a certified ASSE tester. For more information, contact Greg Wingo, Public Works Supervisor at 302-684-4110.

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.

Street / house numbers – *This is critically important for emergency response!* In accordance with Town Code Chapter 85, every property must conspicuously display its assigned street number at or near the main entrance of the primary structure. Such display must be visible from the street; house number(s) and/or letter(s) are to be three (3) inches or greater in height.

Have a safe and enjoyable summer!