



Town of Felton

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From The Desk of the Town Manager

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General Up-Dates

- Trash pick-up the week of July 4th will be on Thursday, due to the holiday on Wednesday.
- Trash pick-up the week of September 3rd will be on Thursday, due to the holiday on Monday.
- Swimming pools require a fence. If the swimming pool is over 24 inches tall, there MUST be a fence. This is a safety issue and is strictly enforced.
- When a pool is installed you are required to have a building permit. If you have any questions about a pool please call Town Hall before you purchase a pool.
- Tax statements will be mailed the first week of July. These bills are eligible for a 5% discount (already calculated on the statement) if the payment is received in Town Hall by August 15th.
- If you see a violation in the Town please make sure when you call Town Hall that you have the proper address.
- Town Hall hours are Monday thru Friday, 9:00am to 5:00pm.
- The Elementary School Summer Library Program will not be offered this year at Town Hall. The Town was not asked to participate in the Library Program this year. Anyone who has questions about the program should call North Elementary at 284-9611.

Public Works Up-Dates

- If grass gets ten inches or above the Town will send out one notification for the season advising that the property is in violation of the Ordinance. If the grass is not cut then the Town will cut the grass and charge the owner. The minimum charge for grass cutting is \$100.
- Be advised if you have received a letter regarding grass this year, you will not receive another letter. If the grass exceeds ten inches it will be cut by the Town and you will receive a bill for a minimum of \$100 each time it is cut throughout the season.
- Grass clippings are NOT to be placed on the street. The grass will go into the catch basins and cause a problem with the water flow through Town.
- If you plan to go out of town for an extended period of time, please make sure you make arrangements to have your property maintained while you are away.
- Maintenance of sidewalks is the responsibility of the homeowner. This includes replacement of the sidewalks if there are cracks, tree roots growing under the sidewalk causing offsets or a danger of someone falling.
- If you suspect a water leak or have excessive water on your property, please contact Town Hall immediately, so it can be investigated.

Police Up-Dates

- Skateboarding is not allowed in the Town of Felton. Anyone who is caught skateboarding will have their boards taken and a parent will have to come to the Police Department to pick up the skateboard.
- Parking on sidewalks is not allowed and is a fineable offense.
- Cell Phone Usage and Seatbelt Violations are a primary offense in the State of Delaware and are strictly enforced in the Town of Felton.
- Parking a vehicle facing the opposite direction of traffic flow is a fineable offense.
- Parking a vehicle blocking a private driveway is also a fineable offense. Tickets are normally issued for this offense when the homeowner calls the Police with a complaint.
- Make sure you secure all items you have outside, including grills, bicycles, etc.
- Children under the age of 18 are required to wear a helmet at all times while on a bicycle.
- Please keep your doors locked at all times.
- Secure your vehicles, even in your driveway.
- If you plan to travel this summer, please come into the Police Department and fill out a Property Check Form and the Police will monitor your property on a daily basis.
- Please report any suspicious activity to 911. They will contact the Felton Police Department. It is best to call and report the activity while it is occurring.

Utility Bills will be mailed out the first week of July. The bills will be due on August 10th. If the bill is not paid by the 10th of August, a \$25 late fee will be applied to the account. A delinquent letter will be sent out with a disconnect date on the letter, if the bill is not paid by the disconnect date on the letter an additional \$50 disconnect/reconnect fee will be added to the bill and the water will be shut off until payment has been made in full.

Dates to Remember

July 3rd	Planning and Zoning Meeting - 6:30pm - Town Hall
July 4th	4th of July - Town Hall Closed
July 9th	Town Council Meeting - 7pm - Town Hall
Aug. 7th	Planning and Zoning Meeting - 6:30pm - Town Hall
Aug. 13th	Town Council Meeting - 7pm - Town Hall
Sept. 3rd	Labor Day - Town Hall Closed
Sept. 4th	Planning and Zoning Meeting - 6:30pm - Town Hall
Sept. 10th	Town Council Meeting - 7pm - Town Hall

Planning and Zoning Meetings have a set date but will only occur if there are items for the agenda. If you are interested in attending a PZ meeting check our website to make sure there is a meeting.

You can also go onto our website **felton.delaware.gov** a week before our meetings and review a copy of the meeting agenda.

The Town also has a page on Facebook with updates on what is going on in Town.

Please feel free to contact our office with any questions or concerns you may have regarding the Town of Felton.