



# 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 May 25th will be on Thursday, due to the holiday on Monday.
- If you see a violation in the Town please make sure when you call Town Hall that you have the proper address.
- **Above-ground swimming pools are not required to have a fence as long as the pool is over four feet tall and has a locking ladder or the ladder is removed when no adult is supervising the pool.**
- **The quarterly trash fee will increase by \$2.87 per quarter. The new quarterly trash fee will be \$60.23. The increase will be effective July 1<sup>st</sup>.**
- Town Hall hours are Monday thru Friday, 9:00am to 5:00pm.
- **The Town offers a discount to Senior Citizens for their property taxes. You must be 65 years of age by June 30<sup>th</sup>, the property must be your primary residence and your name must be on the deed. If you are eligible please bring your driver's license to Town Hall by May 30, 2015 to receive the discount. The discount last year was 50%.**

## Public Works Up-Dates

- Please make sure that your trash cans are removed from the curb by the next morning after the trash has been picked up by the contractor.
- 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 the Town will cut the grass and charge the owner. The minimum charge for grass cutting is \$100. If the grass goes over ten inches again during the season the Town will automatically cut the grass.
- Grass clippings are NOT to be blown/placed on the street or in the catch basins. The grass will go into the catch basins and cause a problem with the water flow through Town.
- The Town received several property maintenance calls from concerned citizens last year and the Town cleaned up properties at a substantial charge to the homeowner. Please be considerate of your neighbors and maintain your property.
- Refrigerators and freezers must have the door removed if outside and can only be outside on a temporary basis.
- There are times that Public Works employees need to go onto private property to access the validity of a complaint or quarterly to read water meters. If they are required to go onto private property for a complaint they will attempt to make contact with the property owner.

## Police Up-Dates

- All passengers in a vehicle need to be in seat belts or child restraints.
- Parking on sidewalks is not allowed and is a fineable offense.
- Parking on the street facing the wrong way is a fineable offense and the Town has been receiving multiple complaints from citizens regarding this issue. Tickets will be issued.
- Four wheelers, three wheelers and untagged dirt bikes are not allowed off of private property. If you are caught off of your private property you will be fined and possibly have the off-road vehicle confiscated.
- 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.
- Please do not allow children to play in the street.
- Please do not walk or run in the street use the sidewalks.
- 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 April. The bills will be due on May 10<sup>th</sup>. If the bill is not paid by the 10<sup>th</sup> of May, 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**

<b>April 3rd</b>	<b>Good Friday – Town Offices Closed</b>
<b>April 7th</b>	<b>Planning and Zoning Meeting – 6:30pm – Town Hall</b>
<b>April 13th</b>	<b>Town Council Meeting – 6:30pm – Town Hall</b>
<b>May 5th</b>	<b>Planning and Zoning Meeting – 6:30pm – Town Hall</b>
<b>May 10th</b>	<b>Utility Bills Due</b>
<b>May 11th</b>	<b>Town Council Meeting – 6:30pm – Town Hall</b>
<b>May 25th</b>	<b>Memorial Day – Town Hall Closed</b>
<b>May 26<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Water Shut-Off for Non-Payment</b>
<b>June 2nd</b>	<b>Planning and Zoning Meeting – 6:30pm – Town Hall</b>
<b>June 8th</b>	<b>Town Council Meeting – 6:30pm – Town Hall</b>
<b>July 3rd</b>	<b>Independence Day – Town Hall Closed</b>

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.