



# 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 September 7th will be on Thursday, due to the holiday on Monday.
- 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 15<sup>th</sup>.
- 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.
- In-ground pools are required to have a fence.
- When installing a swimming pool a building permit is required, please make sure you stop by Town Hall and get the proper paperwork.
- **The Town has been receiving quite a few complaints about cats that are running all over the neighborhoods. It is the responsibility of the pet owner to keep their pets on their property. If these complaints continue the Town will have no choice but to set traps.**
- New water rate structure will become effective on July 1<sup>st</sup>. The new rate will be on the Utility Statement you receive in the beginning of October. Each resident will pay for the actual amount of water used instead of a flat fee.
- 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 2014 Consumer Confidence Report can be viewed at [www.felton.delaware.gov/files/2015/06/2014-CCR.pdf](http://www.felton.delaware.gov/files/2015/06/2014-CCR.pdf). It can also be picked up at Town Hall or call us and we will mail or email you a copy of the report.**

## Public Works Up-Dates

- Please make sure that your trash cans are taken from the curb by the next morning after the trash has been removed.
- 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 placed on the street. The grass will go into the catch basins and cause a problem with the water flow through Town.**
- Property Maintenance – It is the responsibility of each property owner to maintain their property. This includes the lawn and buildings. Homes should have no broken windows and be secure. Sheds should also be able to be secured. The Town does not allow debris to be left in yards. If you have any questions about property maintenance please call Town Hall.

- Do not put yard waste inside your trash can. The trash company will not pick up the trash if there are any branches in the container.
- **East Railroad Avenue will be repaved within the next few months and all water lines will be replaced as part of this project.**
- **Honeybrook Lane was repaved in June.**

Police Up-Dates

- All passengers in a vehicle need to be in seat belts or child restraints.
- **It is the responsibility of the pet owner to clean up after your pet while walking the pet.**
- Please do not allow children to play in the street.
- School is out so be aware of children who are out and about.
- Juvenile (under 18 years old) Curfew is from 10:00pm to 6:00am. If a Juvenile is caught by the police without a valid reason for breaking curfew they will only be released to a parent.
- Please keep your doors and windows locked at all times.
- Secure your vehicles, even in your driveway.
- Make sure that no one is walking across someone else’s property, this is trespassing and if the owner complains you can be charged.
- If you go away and would like your property checked daily by the Police Department come into Town Hall or go to the Town’s website and fill out a Property Check Form.
- **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 10<sup>th</sup>. If the bill is not paid by the 10<sup>th</sup> 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. **It is the responsibility of the property owner to let the Town know if they have new tenants, as well as a correct mailing address for the tenant.**

**Dates to Remember**

<b>July 3rd</b>	<b>Independence Day – Town Hall Closed</b>
<b>July 7th</b>	<b>Planning and Zoning Meeting – 6:30pm – Town Hall</b>
<b>July 13th</b>	<b>Town Council Meeting – 6:30pm – Town Hall</b>
<b>Aug. 4th</b>	<b>Planning and Zoning Meeting – 6:30pm – Town Hall</b>
<b>Aug. 10th</b>	<b>Town Council Meeting – 6:30pm – Town Hall</b>
<b>Sept. 7th</b>	<b>Labor Day – Town Hall Closed</b>
<b>Sept. 8nd</b>	<b>Planning and Zoning Meeting – 6:30pm – Town Hall</b>
<b>Sept. 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Trash Pick-Up</b>
<b>Sept. 14th</b>	<b>Town Council Meeting – 6:30pm – Town Hall</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.

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