



# 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 29th 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 not change this year. You will continue to be charged \$48 per quarter.**
- 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, 2017 to receive the discount. The discount last year was 50%.**
- **In April the Town will undergo a security construction project inside Town Hall and the Police Department. Town Hall will be closed to the public for approximately one week. This project is slated to begin at the first of the month.**

## 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.
- Dogs running loose need to be reported to Delaware Animal Control (302-255-4646). A complaint can be filed electronically on their website.

## Police Up-Dates

- 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.
- 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 remember that parents are responsible for monitoring the actions of their children. There have been some complaints of children going onto private property.
- 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. This form is also on our website.
- 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 4th</b>	<b>Planning and Zoning Meeting - 6:30pm - Town Hall</b>
<b>April 10th</b>	<b>Town Council Meeting - 6:30pm - Town Hall</b>
<b>May 2nd</b>	<b>Planning and Zoning Meeting - 6:30pm - Town Hall</b>
<b>May 8th</b>	<b>Town Council Meeting - 6:30pm - Town Hall</b>
<b>May 10th</b>	<b>Utility Bills Due</b>
<b>May 22nd</b>	<b>Water Shut-Off for Non-Payment</b>
<b>May 29th</b>	<b>Memorial Day - Town Hall Closed</b>
<b>June 1st</b>	<b>Trash Pick-Up</b>
<b>June 6th</b>	<b>Planning and Zoning Meeting - 6:30pm - Town Hall</b>
<b>June 12th</b>	<b>Town Council Meeting - 6:30pm - Town Hall</b>
<b>July 4th</b>	<b>Independence Day - Town Hall Closed</b>
<b>July 6th</b>	<b>Trash Pick-Up</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 (Town of Felton Delaware) with updates on what is going on in Town.

**TOWN OF FELTON water is monitored and tested on a monthly basis. Citizens have access to an annual report. The report will be available on July 1<sup>st</sup>.**