

# Town of Felton

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From The Desk of the Town Manager Rebecca L. Greene September 24, 2015

### Halloween Treats - October 31, 2015

- Costume Contest from 5:30 6:00pm
  - o Age Categories from Birth to 12 years old
  - o Categories: Cutest, Most Original, Scariest & Best In Group
- Trick or Treating 6:00 8:00pm
  - o For kids 12 and under only please
- Town Hall will be providing light refreshments during trick or treat hours.
- Town Hall will be giving out treats to the children.

## **General Up-Dates**

- The new water rate structure is now in effect and reflected on your current bill.
- If you see a violation in the Town please make sure when you call Town Hall that you have the proper address.
- Maintenance on the water tower has begun. This whole process should take about five weeks. During this time you may experience low water pressure. Please contact Town Hall if you notice an extremely low pressure. Low pressure should not last more than five minutes at a time. (This project is in week two.)
- SKATEBOARDING The Mayor and Council will be discussing changes to the Skateboarding Ordinance at the October Meeting. It was decided at the September meeting to allow skateboard usage in the Town of Felton as long as it is being used as a mode of transportation. This is a trial program and can be reversed if the use of skateboards is abused. Anyone who has comments or concerns regarding this issue are strongly encouraged to attend the October Council Meeting October 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Town Hall hours are Monday thru Friday, 9:00am to 5:00pm.
- The quarterly trash fee has increased by \$2.87 per quarter. The new quarterly trash fee is \$60.23. The increase became effective July 1st.

### 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.
- E. Railroad Avenue repaying project should start within the next two weeks. The contractors will do the concrete work first and then repaye the street.
- If you have damage to your trash containers please contact Town Hall and we will arrange for a replacement container to be delivered to your home.
- There is no burning allowed in the Town except for a fire pit that is above the ground.

- Make sure your water meter is visible and accessible. Some meters are covered with grass or yard ornaments. The PW employee needs to be able to access the meter in order to get the quarterly reading.
- Snow season is right around the corner. There may be snow residue left in front of your driveway after the streets are plowed but we try to keep this at a minimal. We appreciate everyone's understanding that the PW department is prohibited from clearing off private driveways.

# Police Up-Dates

- The Town is enforcing the Abandoned Vehicle Ordinance. Any vehicle left on public property that is disabled or untagged is in violation and can be towed. Any vehicle sitting on private property that is disabled and untagged can be towed. The vehicle is towed at the owner's expense.
- School is in session so please be aware of children in the area while you are driving.
- 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.
- Children under the age of 16 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.
- 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 October. The bills will be due on November 10<sup>th</sup>. If the bill is not paid by the 10<sup>th</sup> of November, 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**

Planning and Zoning Meeting - 6:30pm - Town Hall
Columbus Day - Town Hall Closed
Town Council Meeting - 7:00pm - Town Hall
Halloween Costume Contest - 5:30pm - Town Hall
Trick or Treating - 6:00-8:00pm
Planning and Zoning Meeting - 6:30pm - Town Hall
Town Council Meeting - 7:00pm - Town Hall
Veterans Day - Town Hall Closed
Thanksgiving Day - Town Hall Closed
Day After Thanksgiving - Town Hall Closed
Planning and Zoning Meeting - 6:30pm - Town Hall
Town Council Meeting - 7:00pm - Town Hall
Christmas Day - Town Hall Closed

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.