



Town of Felton

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From The Desk of the Town Manager

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General Up-Dates

- **END OF SUMMER BASH WILL BE AUGUST 22 FROM 6PM-8PM AT TOWN HALL.**
- 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.**
- Tax statements will be mailed out 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.
- **View the 2022 Consumer Confidence Report at <https://felton.delaware.gov/files/2023/06/2022-CCR.pdf> . It can also be picked up at Town Hall or call and we can mail or email you a copy of the report.**
- Property Maintenance is becoming an issue in the Town. Public Works will be conducting inspections on a weekly basis. Please make sure your property is clear of debris, brush (tree limbs), tires, abandoned vehicles, high grass and weeds (especially around buildings).
- Reminder that fireworks may only be used on July 4th, December 31st and January 1st. For more information, please visit <https://statefiremarshal.delaware.gov/investigations/fireworks/>.

Public Works Up-Dates

- Please make sure that your trash cans are removed from the curb in the evening after the trash has been picked up by the contractor.
- Please do not park on sidewalks.
- 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.
- Please call Town Hall if you plan on installing a fence, shed or doing any other renovations to your home to see if the work requires a building permit.

Police Up-Dates

Prevention and awareness tips to avoid vehicle break ins:

- Always keep the window shut and doors locked.
- Don't leave valuables in your vehicle such as: purses, wallets, credit cards, electronics, checkbooks, money, social security cards, loose change, Title to your vehicle and any other important documents containing personal information.

- Lock your glove box which should only include your vehicle insurance and registration cards.
- Keep all the clutter and personal items out of your vehicle. This can give the thief the impression other property of value is inside the vehicle.
- Do not keep a spare key hidden under the floor mat or anywhere else in the vehicle to include house keys.
- If possible, keep your vehicle parked in a well-lit area close by a video surveillance camera.
- If you locate a suspicious person on your property or around your vehicle do not confront them, call 911 immediately.

Please contact 911 or the non-emergency number at 302-739-4863 if you need an officer. Any general police related questions please call the Felton Police Department at 302-284-8441 and an officer will attempt to contact you within 24 hours.

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 4th	Observed for Independence Day – Town Hall Closed
July 6th	Trash Pick Up
July 10th	Public Hearing/Town Council Meeting – 6pm – Town Hall
Aug. 9th	Planning and Zoning Meeting – 6:30pm – Town Hall
Aug. 10th	Utility Bills Due
Aug. 14th	Town Council Meeting – 6:30pm – Town Hall
Aug. 31st	Tax Bills Due
Sept. 4th	Labor Day – Town Hall Closed
Sept. 6th	Planning and Zoning Meeting – 6:30pm – Town Hall
Sept. 7th	Trash/Recycle Pick-Up
Sept. 11th	Town Council Meeting – 6:30pm – 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 (Town of Felton Delaware) with updates on what is going on in Town.