



TOWN OF MIDDLETOWN
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From the Mayor

Charles H. Harbaugh, IV

I would like to invite the community to our 3rd annual Middletown Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday March 26, 2016 at 11 a.m. at the Middletown Park. The event will be held rain or shine. Please bring your own basket. We will also host our 2nd annual MissTer Middletown Pageant on Saturday April 2, 2016 at 7 p.m. in the Corron Community Development Center at LFCC. All proceeds will benefit the 2016 Middletown Christmas Parade. Lastly, planning is already underway for our 4th of July celebration and the 6th annual Car and Truck show on Sunday August 21, 2016 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Please add these dates to your calendar. As always I look forward to seeing you at these upcoming events.

From the Zoning Administrator

Fred Wharton

Town Code section 4-7 Extermination Requirements

As a condition for issuance of a building permit involving removal or demolition of any structure, the Town of Middletown must receive written certification from a licensed/bonded exterminator that the property is free and clear of all pests and the removal of all waste must be completed within 45 days from the date of issuance of the building permit.

Town Code section 3-8 Littering

No person shall allow feces deposited by his/her animal to remain on any public highway, street, sidewalk, part of other public property, or on private property without written consent of the owner thereof or his agent.

Penalty – Any person who knowingly violates this Ordinance shall be guilty of a littering infraction and shall be subject to a fine of not more than \$25.00 per occurrence.

From the Chief of Police

Philip Breeden

It is never a bother. If you see something, say something! We will be glad to check it out. Together we can help keep our community safe. Contact the Middletown Police Department 540-868-0535 after 5 p.m. contact Frederick County Non Emergency Dispatch 540-662-6162 and request a Middletown officer.

From the Maintenance Department

Donald Welsh

Yard waste will resume Monday April 18, 2016. Please take time to review the guidelines. **We will no longer pick up any yard waste that does not meet the required guidelines.** Yard waste collection will be every Monday, and must be placed curbside by 7:30 a.m. Yard waste consists of grass trimmings and leaves which CANNOT weigh more than 40 lbs. Branches or twigs can be **NO LONGER** than four (4) feet in length and **NO LARGER** than two (2) inches in diameter and must be tyed in bundles (no wire or plastic string). Yard waste must be placed in biodegradable or paper yard waste bags only **NO PLASTIC BAGS**. Yard waste should not be placed curbside until the morning of collection. This helps keep the community neat and free of clutter.

SPRING CLEAN UP

THE ANNUAL SPRING CLEAN UP WILL BE MONDAY APRIL 25, 2016

**ALL ITEMS MUST BE PLACED
CURBSIDE BY 7:00 a.m.**

**THE COLLECTED ITEMS MUST BE LANDFILL
ACCEPTABLE ITEMS, INCLUDING FURNITURE**

**IF IT IS NOT LANDFILL
ACCEPTABLE IT WILL
NOT BE PICKED UP**

**EXAMPLES OF NON-ACCEPTABLE ITEMS:
APPLIANCES, TV'S, COMPUTERS,
COMPUTER MONITORS, MICROWAVE OVENS, PAINT, HAZARDOUS
WASTE, TIRES OR
LAWN EQUIPMENT**

**PLEASE KEEP YARD WASTE SEPARATE
YARD WASTE SHOULD BE PLACED IN
BIODEGRADABLE OR PAPER YARD WASTE BAGS ONLY
NO PLASTIC BAGS**

From the Treasurer

Rebecca Layman

- Real Estate liens will start March 15, 2016. If you are delinquent please contact the office and take care of the outstanding balance 540-869-2226 ext. 2
- Effective January 1, 2016 there will be a 3% convenience fee for all debit and credit card payments.
- If water service has been disconnected due to non-payment there will be a fee of \$50.00 to turn off and a fee of \$50.00 to turn on for a total of \$100.00. If it is after hours there will be an additional fee of \$50.00.
- The Town of Middletown accepts Visa, MasterCard, and Discover.
- If the Town office receives 3 returned checks from an individual, all further transactions must be paid by debit or credit card, money order, or cash. The return check fee is \$45.00
- The Town cannot accept large amounts of unrolled change. If you must pay in change it has to be rolled in coin wrappers.
- Middletown Residents, if you are having contracted work done at your home such as roofing, plumbing, building additions, these are just to name a few; the contractor(s) must obtain a Business License from the Town of Middletown.

From the Clerk

Christina Smith

DMV stops take place starting March 15, 2016. If you have unpaid personal property taxes the Town of Middletown will authorize DMV to withhold all registration renewals for all vehicles owned/co-owned by the tax payer. VA Code 46.2-752(J). There will be an additional fee of \$40.00 added to your past due balance once a DMV stop has been placed. The entire balance must be paid in full before the DMV stop will be removed.

When you buy, trade, sell or dispose of a vehicle you must notify Frederick County 540-665-5681 extension 1. The Town of Middletown receives all billing information from Frederick County therefore they must have the correct information on file in order for the Town of Middletown to bill you correctly.

For pertinent information pertaining to the Town of Middletown please visit www.middletownva.gov

To all Middletown residents, please update your contact information with the Town office. It is imperative that we are able to contact you in the event of an emergency. If any of your information has changed please take the time to contact the Town office with the updated information.

All utility payments are due by the due date indicated and, if late, penalties will be applied. If the bill is not paid in full by the cut-off date, service will be disconnected for non-payment and there will be a \$100.00 cut-off/on fee added to your bill. Only those individuals with bona fide emergencies will be considered on a case-by-case basis for a ONE-TIME deferment. **There will be no payment arrangements.** If you have any question regarding this policy please contact the Town Clerk 540-869-2226 ext. 1

Middletown Volunteer Fire & Rescue Company

The Middletown Volunteer Fire and Rescue Auxiliary will have a Turkey or Oyster Supper on Saturday April 23, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. at the Fire Hall. Dinners are \$15 for adults and \$7 for children under 12. Takeouts will be available. Please come out and support us! Many thanks to all that came out for our Pancake Breakfast on March 5, 2016. We greatly appreciate the support of our citizens!

Bingo is every Tuesday night at 7 p.m. in the Social Hall. Doors open at 5 p.m. Concessions are sold by the Company Auxiliary. Smoke free facilities.

Calendar of Events

March

March 22 – Committee Meeting 7:00 p.m.

March 26 – Easter Egg Hunt Middletown Park 11:00 a.m.

March 28 – Planning Commission Meeting 7:00 p.m.

April

April 2 – MissTer Middletown Corron Community Development Center at LFCC 7:00 p.m.

April 4 – Work Session Meeting 7:00 p.m.

April 11 – Town Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.

April 18 – Yard Waste Pick Up begins 7:30 a.m.

April 19 – Committee Meeting 7:00 p.m.

April 25 – Spring Clean Up 7:00 a.m.

April 25 – Planning Commission Meeting 7:00 p.m.

April 29 – Town office closing at 1:00 p.m.

May

May 2 – Work Session Meeting 7:00 p.m.

May 9 – Town Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.

May 17 – Committee Meeting 7:00 p.m.

May 23 – Planning Commission Meeting 7:00 p.m.



Middletown Volunteer Fire & Rescue Company



Come Join Our Family!!

We're looking for volunteers just like YOU!
Fire, EMS, grant writing, fundraising & more...

For an application and more information, go to

www.middletownfire.com