City News

The next Regular City Council meeting is 7 p.m., Tues., Feb. 13th at Town Hall

City Offices will be closed on Mon., Feb 19th in observance of Presidents’ Day

Revised Trash Pickup Schedule:

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Municipal Services Offices will be closed on: Mon., Feb. 19th

DelDOT/City of New Castle Truck Traffic Public Workshop
Monday January 29, 2018, 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.

New Castle Senior Center, 400 South Street New Castle, DE

The Delaware Department of Transportation and the City of New Castle will host a Public Workshop on Monday, January 29, 2018 from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the New Castle Senior Center, 400 South Street, New Castle, Delaware.

At the request of the City of New Castle, the Department of Transportation conducted a Truck Traffic Study on RT9 in the City of New Castle. The purpose of the workshop will be to solicit public comment on the collected data and the proposed recommendations in the study.

Interested persons are invited to express their views in writing, giving reasons for support of, or opposition to, the proposed changes. Comments will be received at the workshop or can be mailed to DelDOT Community Relations P.O. Box 778, Dover, DE 19903, sent via email to dotpr@state.de.us or by fax at (302) 739-2092.

This workshop location is accessible to persons having disabilities. Any person having special needs or requiring special aid, such as an interpreter for the hearing impaired, is requested to contact DelDOT by phone or mail one week in advance.

For further information contact DelDOT Community Relations at 1-800-652-5600 (in DE) or 302-760-2080 or write to the above address.

January/February Events

Thursday, January 25th - 2:30 p.m.
Trip to DSWA Recycling Center leaving from the New Castle Library 424 Delaware Street
Have you ever wondered what happens to the stuff you recycle? For more information call 302-328-1995

Thursday, January 25th - 6:00 p.m.
The New Castle Library Friends' Annual Meeting
A light meal at 6:00, followed by a short meeting and a presentation by Ed Okonowicz. RSVP at the library or at nclibraryfriends@gmail.com. More Info on back.

Friday, February 2nd - 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Downtown - First Friday /Art Loop
On the First Friday of each month, walk through town visiting galleries, artisanal displays and unique objets d’art while snacking and sipping wine!

Friday, February 9th - 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
New Castle Public Library - Chocolate Friendzy
More Info on back.

Sunday, February 11th - 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.
St. Anthony’s Club Spaghetti Dinner - $8.00
St. Anthony's Club, 1017 Gray Street
Salad, Roll, Spaghetti and two meatballs!

Thursday, February 22nd - 7:00 p.m.
Recycling - DSWA Presentation.
New Castle Library 424 Delaware Street
Come to this presentation with all your “is this recyclable” questions. Bring a friend.

Sign up and start training now!
5th Annual atTAcK addiction 5K
Saturday March 3rd, 2018
St. Peter’s School - 515 Harmony St.
Pre-Registration: $30.00
$35.00 after February 18th
For more information go to: www.attackaddiction.org

Save the Date: Wednesday, March 14th - 4:30 p.m.
Resilient Community Workshop
Carrie Downie Elementary School
Learn how the City can manage flooding risks.

New Castle – The First Capital of the First State!
The most picturesque and historic waterfront community on the East Coast!
**Events at your Library...**

**Reuse! Bring a Bag, Take a Bag.** Do you have a collection of reusable grocery bags? The Library has a Bring a Bag/Take a Bag bin. Donate your extra bags for others to use, or pick one up to use.

**The New Castle Library Friends' Annual Meeting**

**Thursday, January 25th - 6:00 p.m.**

A light meal at 6:00, followed by a short meeting and then “The Tales Tombstones Tell”, a presentation by Ed Okonowicz. Please RSVP at the library or at nclibraryfriends@gmail.com.

**New Castle Library Friends’ is hosting a Chocolate Friendzy** on Friday, February 9th from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Sample goodies while raising funds to support programs at the New Castle Public Library. Tickets will be sold at the door, admission is $20 for New Castle Library Friends/Non-members $25, and includes two drink tickets! For additional information go to facebook.com/newcastlelibraryfriends.

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**NEW CASTLE GREEN: NET ZERO WASTE SINGLE USE PLASTICS**

Plan to attend these informative presentations at the library, and learn how we can all work together to Reduce, Reuse and Recycle!

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**Don’t forget to renew your City Business & Rental Housing Licenses**

All business’s located in and/or working within the city limits of New Castle, must have a 2018 New Castle City business license. All rental properties must renew their New Castle City Rental Housing Business License annually. Both License applications are available at the City Administration Building, 220 Delaware Street or at newcastlecity.delaware.gov. Payment can now be made online! Call 302-322-9801 with any questions.

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**Call now to Schedule Over 65 & Disability City Property Tax Exemption Interviews**

Interviews for the City of New Castle Property Tax Exemptions will be conducted on weekdays from January 16th through April 30th, between the hours of 9 a.m. & 3 p.m.

To apply, applicants must appear in person and provide photo ID and income information. For more information and to schedule an interview please call Diane Delgado at 302-322-9804.

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**Code Enforcement Corner**

**Code Enforcement** helps to maintain and improve the quality of life of New Castle City residents by administering an unbiased enforcement program to correct violations of City zoning, property maintenance and building codes.

Complaint forms are available at the City Offices or on the City Web site newcastlecity.delaware.gov. Complaints are handled on a confidential basis; however, if feedback and/or updates are requested, name, address and phone number need to be provided with the complaint.

§ 94-1 Defecation on public or private property prohibited; owner to remove feces. It shall be unlawful for any person to knowingly permit a dog, cat or other domestic animal owned or subject to the control of such person to defecate upon any street, sidewalk or park, or upon any public property, or upon any private property within the City of New Castle without the consent of the owner or tenant of such private property. In the event that any dog, cat or other domestic animal deposits its excrement upon any public or private land within the City of New Castle, such owner of said dog, cat, or other domestic animal shall remove immediately, in a sanitary manner any fecal matter deposited by said dog, cat or other domestic animal.

It is the responsibility of property owners to maintain the sidewalk in front of their property within 24 hours of the end of a weather event.

The New Castle City Code, section 209-1: Sidewalks require a minimum 3 feet of clearance within 24 hours of a snow event ending. If you have a neighbor who is unable to do this, think about helping out if you can. Please remember to clear any fire hydrant; this could save crucial minutes in an emergency situation. The City Code can be accessed online at newcastlecity.delaware.gov.