



City News

The next Regular City Council meeting is 7 p.m.,

Tuesday, Nov. 10th via Zoom Conferencing

City offices will be closed on Tuesday, Nov. 3rd for Election Day.

Tuesday's trash will be picked up on Wed. Nov. 4th, Yard Waste will be picked up on Thursday, Nov. 5th and there will be a Citywide Recycle on Friday, Nov. 6th

City Offices will be closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday Thursday, Nov. 26th & Friday, Nov. 27th.

There will be City-Wide Recycle Pick-up on Wednesday, Nov. 25th, and no yard waste pick-up.

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**Don't forget to vote:
Tuesday
Nov. 3rd**



New Castle City Public Safety "Adopt a Family" and "Christmas for the Kids" Celebration



The New Castle City Police and Good Will Fire Company will be adopting two families from the City of New Castle as a part of the "Christmas for the Kids" annual event.

Criteria for families being adopted by the New Castle City Police and Good Will Fire Company:

- The family must reside within the incorporated city limits of the City of New Castle.
- The family must be nominated by a member of the community.
- The family must be in good standing with the community.

The NCCPS Adopted Families for

Christmas will be funded by the donations raised in conjunction with the "Christmas for the Kids" celebration. The families chosen for adoption will be personally invited to the "Christmas for the Kids" celebration located at the Good Will Fire House. Direct donations from the community will be accepted in form of a check or present/ gift. The presents will primarily focus on the needs of the children in the family.

Please provide as much information about the family as possible when making the nomination.

Representatives of NCPD and GWFC will contact the families directly for detailed information once the families have been chosen.

Nominations can be made at the New Castle City Police Station or emailed to tina.shughart@cj.state.de.us.

October/ November Events

Saturday, October 24th - 1:00 p.m.

Courthouse Museum Presents:

"William Penn Day -The Amazing Hannah Penn "

The Amazing Hannah Penn is coming back to New Castle! The virtual event will feature Jean Norvell as Hannah Penn, the second wife of William Penn but also the Proprietor of Pennsylvania! Hear her story as New Castle celebrates William Penn Day. For information please call 302-323-4453 or go to their Facebook page to log on. www.facebook.com/NewCastleCourtHouse.

Friday, October 30th, 5:00-8:00 p.m.

Fourth Friday Art Loop. Sip and snack in New Castle's Downtown District.

Friday, October 30th

New Castle Annual Halloween Parade

This event has been cancelled. The New Castle Lions Halloween Parade has been cancelled for this year. Have safe and Happy Halloween.



COVID-19 Guidance for Communities and Families: Stay Safe this Halloween

There are many ways to celebrate Fall this year including safe Halloween activities. Protect yourself and your household by knowing your risk. The Delaware Division of Public Health has published guidance to help you safely enjoy all that the season has to offer. Consider low risk activities; activities that can be done at home with members of your household will pose less risk than traditional trick or-treating. Find the complete list of guidelines on the City website at www.newcastlecity.delaware.gov.

Hauntings in History Walking Tours: Fri. & Sat. nights in October 9th - 30th at 7, 8:00, & 9:00 p.m. For ticket information call 302-322-2794 or go online to www.newcastlehistory.org.



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MSC NEWS RELEASE

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WATER RATES TO BE INCREASED

Municipal Services Commission's rate design consultant, Utility Financial Solutions (UFS), recommended a 9% overall water revenue increase after reviewing the cost of service study. UFS also recommended reducing electric rates, which the MSC approved in May 2020. The electric rate reduction was a result of lower power supply costs. The water rate increase will result in an average residential customer experiencing an increase in their monthly bill of approximately \$4.00.

MSC is sensitive to customers experiencing additional financial burden during this national crisis (COVID-19 pandemic), which is why MSC delayed this rate increase from the recommended effective date of April 2020 to October 2020. If you have any questions please feel free to contact the customer service department at 302-323-2330. Please stay safe and continue to follow CDC guideline's to protect you and your family.



Code Enforcement Corner

Garbage, Yard Waste & Recycle

§ 204-6 Rules and regulations governing disposition and collection of garbage, and refuse.

Place trash, yard waste and recycle at the curb the night before your scheduled pick-up day. Public Works crews start pick up at 7 a.m. in the fall and winter.

TRASH: All garbage is to be secured in plastic bags and placed inside solid containers with lids, each residence may place up to four (4) 35 gallon/50 pounds maximum at the curb for pick-up. All containers must be removed from the sidewalk or roadway and stored on the same day that they are picked up. Containers shall be placed or stored in the rear of residence, or along the side yards or alleyways but not within five feet of the front of the dwelling unless concealed by a fence.

YARD WASTE & LEAF PICK-UP: Yard waste including branches, tree trimmings, sticks, grass clippings are collected on Wednesdays. Such refuse may be placed



Protecting our state's precious water begins with you...

Storm drains and roadside ditches lead directly to our streams, rivers, lakes and bays. So, any pollutants like oil, pet waste, leaves, grass clippings, trash, or dirty water from washing your car, or other outside activities that enter a storm drain eventually get into our state's precious waters.

Report illegal dumping or evidence of discharge of pollutants into storm drains:

Call: 302-322-9801 or Email:

ibergstrom@newcastlecivilcity.delaware.gov

How can You help? Follow these Simple Tips to help keep our water clean.

- **Never dump anything down a storm drain.**
- **Keep grass clippings off of sidewalks and streets.**
- **Use fertilizers and pesticides sparingly and sweep up any excess.**
- **Check your car for leaks, and recycle used motor oil.**
- **Take your car to a car wash, instead of washing it in your driveway.**
- **Pick up after your pet.**
- **Compost your yard waste.**



unbagged into a container or paper bag or securely tied together in bundles, each of which shall not exceed 50 pounds in weight or four feet in length. Grass clippings, leaves and other garden refuse may be bagged (paper) not to exceed 50 pounds in weight. Once leaf pick-up starts, rake leaves to the curb for pick-up. Rake **ONLY** leaves to the curb, no sticks or other debris may be in leaf piles, as that may damage the machinery.

RECYCLE: Please place unbagged recycle items in a container, if you are unsure of what is recyclable please call Delaware Solid Waste Authority at 800-404-7080 or visit their website at www.DSWA.com.

MSC Reminder: Appliance Recycling is now available! Schedule a free pickup of a working refrigerator, freezer, dehumidifier or room air conditioner through October 31st, and you'll get an increased incentive of \$60 for recycling your unit, courtesy of Efficiency Smart and DEMEC. For more information or to schedule a pickup, call 888-997-9106.