



City Election News:

Tuesday, January

3rd is the first day

to file for office. Check back of newsletter for more information.



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Best Wishes to all for a Happy and Safe Holiday Season, and New Year. From the City Elected Officials and Employees!

City News

The next Regular City Council meeting is 7 p.m., Tues., Jan. 10th at the N. C. Senior Center 400 South Street

Holiday Changes in Public Works Schedule City Offices will be Closed Friday, Dec. 23rd & Monday, Dec. 26th For the Christmas Holiday. There will be a

CITYWIDE Recycle Pick Up on Thursday, Dec. 22nd.
Reg. Schedule Rev. Schedule
Dec. 26th Dec. 27th
Dec. 27th Dec. 28th

Yard Waste Pick Up: Thursday, Dec. 29th
Citywide Recycle Pick Up: Friday, Dec. 30th

City Offices Closed Monday, Jan. 2nd for New Year's Holiday
Reg. Schedule Rev. Schedule
Jan. 2nd Jan. 3rd
Jan. 3rd Jan. 4th

Yard Waste Pick Up: Thursday, Jan. 5th
Citywide Recycle Pick Up: Friday, Jan. 6th

City Offices will be closed on Mon., Jan. 16th in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day with No Trash Pick Up

Revised Trash Pick Up Schedule:
Reg. Date Revised Date
Jan. 16th Jan. 17th
Jan. 17th Jan. 18th
Yard Waste Pick Up: Thursday, Jan. 19th*
*(*Call by Tuesday for Pick Up)*
Citywide Recycle Pick Up: Friday, Jan. 20th



New Yard Waste Pick Up Process

Because of a sharp reduction in yard waste pick ups in January and February, the City will be implementing a new yard waste pick up process beginning January 16th, that will run through March 6th.

During this time period if you need a yard waste pick up you will need to call the City office to arrange for that pick up.

The service will continue to be offered on Wednesdays*, and there is no additional cost for the service, we just ask that you call the City office by Monday of each week during this time frame to arrange for your pick up.

By implementing this process we will reduce the costs of fuel and overall wear and tear of our equipment, while still providing the service to those who need it.

*Wednesday or holiday schedule.

Apply for City Property Tax Exemptions starting January 17th



January 17th begins the new cycle for city residents to apply for the

over 65 or Disability property tax exemption. To make an appointment, at the convenience of the taxpayer, call the Finance Department at 322-9804.

The maximum yearly income requirements are \$15,000 for a single person and \$30,000 for a married couple. Social Security income is not counted toward the maximum. The last day to apply is April 28th.



January is the time to renew your City Business & Rental License's

All business's located in and/or working within the city limits of New Castle must have a current New Castle City business license.

All rental properties must have a current New Castle City Rental Housing Business License, both licenses must be renewed annually in January.

License applications are available at the City Administration Building, located at 220 Delaware Street. Both licenses are also available and payable online on the City website at newcastlecity.delaware.gov on the Forms & Fees page.

December/January Events

Friday, Dec. 23rd - 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Fourth Friday Art Loop Throughout Downtown.

Walk through town visiting galleries, unique objets d'art while snacking and sipping wine.

The Museums are open and decorated for the holidays.



Don't forget to Shop Small for the Holiday Season and throughout the year.

"Shop Small" and support the businesses in and around New Castle.

Many of our local shops, museums, and restaurants offer unique gifts. Gift certificates make the perfect gift.



Christmas Tree Curbside Recycling

After the holidays place your tree curbside. Public Works crews will collect trees and chip the trees as teams are available.

- **DO NOT** block sidewalk
 - **DO NOT** place the tree in street or alley
 - **DO NOT** place tree in bags
- DO** remove tree stands, nails, ornaments, garland, lights, etc.

New Castle — The First Capital of the First State!

The most picturesque and historic waterfront community on the East Coast!



CITY ELECTION April 15, 2023 File to run in the 2023 City Election!

Seats up for election are:

- Mayor (4 year term)
- Two Council seats (4 year terms)
- One Council Seat (2 year term)

Candidate filing packets will be available at the City office, 220 Delaware Street beginning Tuesday, January 3rd.

Code Enforcement Corner

The City Code Enforcement Department 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 office at 220 Delaware St. or on the website newcastlecity.delaware.gov. you can also call the Code Officer at 322-9801.



New Castle City Code, § 209-1. Removal of Snow and Ice Required.

The owner, tenant or occupant of any property, shall remove any snow or ice from sidewalk or footway along and adjoining property within 24 hours the end of a weather event. Said owner, tenant or occupant shall cause a pathway to be cleared at least three feet in width along the pavement or sidewalk to the gutter to allow the free passage of pedestrians.

If off-street parking is available, please move vehicles, if possible, to facilitate plowing.



A Reminder from Good Will Fire Company

If you have a hydrant near your property, please help clear the area around it in the event of snow. This could save crucial minutes in an emergency. In case of fire, our firefighters need to be able to get to the hydrants quickly to protect people and property.



Trustee Community Grant Program

The Trustees of the New Castle Common have posted the 2023-2024 Grant Application on their Website: www.trusteesncc.org.

Organizations within the town of New Castle can apply for grants. The Trustees mission is to manage its resources "for the benefit of the citizens of New Castle." Citizens are defined as the residents of the incorporated area of the City.

If an organization has activities both inside and outside of the New Castle City limits, the Trustees can only support those activities within the City. Information and documentation provided must clearly indicate the location of services provided.

Remember! Your organization must complete and return the "Grant Request Application" to the Trustees of the New Castle Common by December 31, 2022.

TNCC Outreach Committee

Trustees Scholarship Fund Applications and Mid-Year Renewals

The "Trustees of New Castle Common Scholarship Fund" was established in 1983 for eligible residents of the City of New Castle.

The scholarships are awarded to full-time residents of the City of New Castle and are for undergraduate study only. High school seniors must provide an acceptance letter from a college or university to be considered for the Scholarship. If the applicant is a dependent, the parent must be a resident of the City of New Castle.

An applicant must be a senior in high school or a high school graduate who is entering an accredited undergraduate college or university as a full-time student in the coming semester.

Funded applicants from the Fall semester need only send in an official **Fall 2022** grade transcript prior to the **January 2, 2023** deadline.

Packets for new applicants are available from the Trustees of New Castle Commons website at trusteesncc.org. Please call 302-322-2809 with any questions about the process or about residency in the City of New Castle. Completed packets can be emailed to office@trusteesncc.org or mailed to Trustees of New Castle Commons, P.O. Box 453, New Castle, DE 19720.

Please note the application and/or all necessary information must be received by the Scholarship Committee no later than **January 2, 2023**.