CHARLESTOWN CHATTER

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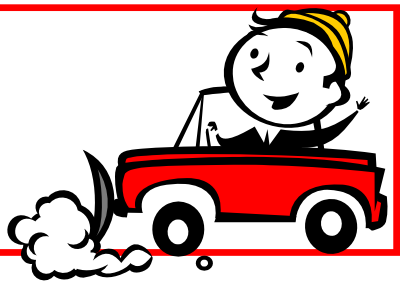
When it snows or it is predicted to snow, please remove you vehicles from the street to allow easier access for our trucks to clear snow and/or apply salt mixture.



- Town Hall
- 410-287-6173
- **Town Meetings** every second and fourth Tuesday of the month beginning at 7:00
- **Planning & Zoning** meetings are the first Thursday after the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00
- **Historic District** Meeting is on the first Tuesday of the Month
- Every Monday is **Household Trash & Recyclables** collection. No holidays this quarter.
- **Household bulk** pickup is the last Wednesday of each month Please call Town hall to request a pickup
- **Yard Waste** is collected by the Town Staff on the second (2nd) and fourth (4th) Monday of each month. Place waste in cans or tie branches together.

Want to Run for Commissioner? Want to Vote? Find Out how here!

Charlestown Election is Tuesday, **March 3, 2015**. If you are not registered to vote in Cecil County, but would like to vote in the Charlestown election, please stop into Town Hall to register.

The **Charlestown Election** will be held on **March 3, 2015** from **7AM to 7PM at Town Hall.** Town Hall will be closed except for voting that day.

Candidates interested in running for office:

- ✓Must file intention to run at least 30 days prior to the election (January 30, 2015)
- ✓Must have at least 1 year of residency
- ✓Must be at least 21 years of age and must be registered to vote in the town

Qualified voters:

- ✓Must register to vote at least 30 days prior to election (January 30, 2015)
- ✓Be a US citizen
- ✓At least 18 years of age
- ✓Resident of the town for at least three months immediately preceding the election (December 3)

2015 Municipal Parking Permits Available Now!

Residents, Non-Residents and property owners are required to have a valid parking permit displayed in their vehicle when using many of the Town playgrounds, parks, fishing & boating piers and beaches. Resident and property owner permits are FREE and can be obtained from Town Hall. Non-Resident permits are available at a cost of $50 per year. Failure to display a valid permit will result in having your vehicle towed by our contractor, Chesapeake Service Center, to their impound facility

Recycle!

Help us keep our trash removal costs down by recycling those things that qualify. In a separate can from your trash place clean paper, rinsed steel and aluminum cans, cardboard, and rinsed glass and plastic containers. It's good for the environment, and good for Charlestown! You may pick up labels for your permanent recycling containers at Town Hall.

Christmas tree recycling will take place on January 5, 12 and 26. Please have your tree at the curb by 6AM. Please be sure all of the decorations are off of the tree.

Come join us at St. John's UM church every Tuesday from 10am—1pm for the **Young at Heart 50+ group.** We will be playing cards, games and sharing either lunch or snack.

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Please come to the Town Commissioners Meetings. They are held the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at the Town Hall. We want to hear from you.....Praise or Complaint!

Looking Ahead

Charlestown Fire Company's
Easter Egg Hunt
Saturday, April 4th 10AM
Open to Children 12 and under

Utility Rates
Your current bill is due February 6th

In Town Residences:

- Water minimum $63.10 for 13,500 gallons
- 1000 gal. units, in excess of the 13,500 gal. $2.50
- Sewer minimum $76.55 from 10.000 gallons
- 1000 gal. units, in excess of the 10,000 gal. $7.70

Out of Town Residences:

- Water minimum $100.45 for 13,500 gallons
- 1000 gal units, in excess of the 13,500 gal $3.15
- Sewer minimum $110.95 for 10,000 gallons
- 1000 gal. units in excess of the 10,000 $11.50

In/Out of Town Bay Restoration Fee $15.00 per quarter

There is a procedure in place to establish a payment plan for those experiencing a hardship in paying their bill. Contact Town Hall to inquire about this procedure if you feel you might qualify.

Failure to pay your bill on time results in the following procedure:

Your account will be assessed a penalty and an additional bill will be mailed to the address of record on the 10th of February.

Residences of unpaid bills as of February 16th will receive a door hanger notice of impending shutoff on February 16th.

Shutoffs at residences with unpaid balances over $50.00 will occur on February 18th and an additional fee of $50.00 will be added to the bill to facilitate shutoff and reconnection services.

WANT TO BE INFORMED?

WANT TO ADD YOUR E-MAIL TO THE LIST?

Email your address to Debbie at TownClerk21914 @comcast.net and request to be added to the Town Distribution list and you will receive the minutes from the Town Commissioner Meetings and more. Also, let us know of your most current phone number so that we have it in case of an emergency such as a water break, etc.

Coming to
Charlestown Elementary School

APRIL 24!
MORE DETAILS WILL FOLLOW
WATCH THE TOWN WEBSITE FOR DETAILS!

Town Hall is pictured above
Some of the services we offer:

*You may pay your water and sewer bill in person (drop slot also in front door for after hours)
*Think your water bill is reflecting too much usage and you might have a leak? Call us and we can send a technician out to pressure test your lines to check. (Not a plumber to fix it though, sorry)
*Pick up town forms for building permits, and park reservations
*We perform Notary Services free for town residents
*We will fax for town residents
*Need one or two copies? We can do that!
*We pick up yard waste the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month, have it out by the curb
*Call us for bulk pick up gathered on the last Wednesday of the month
*We sell dog licenses

New to Town?

*Stop by for a New Resident Information packet.
*Pick up parking permit stickers for your vehicles, free to town residents
*Pick up some stickers for your recycling container

Town Hall is open 8AM to 5PM
Monday through Friday
Closed Noon to 1 for lunch
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