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Town Council Appoints New Town Administrator



The Mayor and Council of Denton recently announced they have appointed Scott Getchell of Denton to serve as the next Town Administrator. Mr. Getchell comes to the

town by way of George, Miles & Buhr, LLC (GMB), a well-respected architectural and engineering firm serving the mid-Atlantic region. Prior to GMB, Mr. Getchell served as Denton’s Director of Public Works for 14-years and is familiar with the town’s government. In addition, Mr. Getchell has over 35-years’ experience in local government operations from both public and private sectors.

Mr. Getchell is taking over for Donald Mulrine

beginning September 7, 2022. Mayor Abigail McNinch stated that Mr. Mulrine has served the town well in his capacity as Town Administrator and will continue in a different role within the town government until his retirement. She further stated that Mr. Getchell will continue to build on the successes of Mr. Mulrine and bring new innovative solutions to today’s complex issues. The Council is pleased with this transition of leadership.

Annual Fall Lose Leaf Collection Schedule

Autumn is here and the leaves are beginning to fall. The Denton Public Works Department is scheduling their annual loose-leaf vacuuming re-

moval service to occur Monday October 17, 2022, through Friday December 16, 2022. Leaves must be bagged for pickup the remaining months of the year.

Loose leaf vacuuming will occur on Friday and/or Monday, pending workload, and excluding holidays. It will be necessary to call in your loose-leaf vacuum pickup request by 12 NOON on Thursday to guarantee pickup by Monday. We ask that you please only have one pile of leaves,

and have it located at the edge of your property, without obstructing sidewalks or roadways, where it can easily be accessed by Public Works.

Bagged leaf collection will still take place on Wednesday and must be called in to the Town Office by 12 NOON on Tuesday.

Citizens are encouraged to call the Town Office at 410-479-2050 to request pickup. If calling

UTILITY BILL ALERT!

Utility bills will be mailed around January 1, 2023. To avoid having your water turned off **payment must be received by January 25, 2023.** Payments can be made in person Monday - Friday from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM, online, by mail, at our drive-thru window, or by placing it in the night drop box located to the left of the front door.

Acceptable payment methods include cash, check, money order or cashier check. You can also pay by credit card at the office or online. The next utility bill will be mailed around April 1, 2023 and will be due in full by April 25, 2023.

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Town Meeting Calendar

Town Council Meetings

7p.m.

November 3
December 5 (Monday)

Town Council Working Session

6:30p.m.

November 14

Planning Commission

6p.m.

November 29
December TBA

Historic Review

6p.m.

November 16
December TBA

Utility Commission

4p.m.

November 9
December 14

Town Holidays

The Town Office will be closed on the following days:

November 8, 11, 24, 25
December 26

Trash Pickup

Collection day will be every Wednesday, unless otherwise noted in the Times Record. Trash must be outside for pickup by 6a.m.

Web Page Address:

www.dentonmaryland.com
Or
find us on Facebook.

NOTICE OF UNCONTESTED ELECTION

Town of Denton Board of Supervisors of Elections

The Town of Denton Board of Supervisors of Election has received one qualifying (1) candidate nomination for the open seat on the Denton Town Council. The election for the Denton Town Council seat scheduled for November 8, 2022. Pursuant to Section 5C-10 of the Town Charter where “there is no contest for any of the offices for which an election shall be proper,” the Board of Supervisors of Elections is directed to cancel the election and to certify as elected the candidate who has “filed a valid certificate of nomination.”

Accordingly, the Denton Town Election scheduled for November 8, 2022 is CANCELLED.

Mr. Francis “Frank” Joseph Taylor, III is hereby certified as elected as a member of the Denton Town Council for the term beginning January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2027.

October 12, 2022 Town of Denton Board of Supervisors of Election

By:

Signe Hippert, Member
Cheryl Getchell, Member
Denise Quinn, Member

Town of Denton 2022-2023 Utility Billing Schedule 410-479-2050

Months of Service	Billing Date	Due Date	1% Interest Added	Shut Off Date
January - March	04/01/2022	04/27/2022	04/28/2022	05/06/2022
April—June	06/28/2022	07/27/2022	07/28/2022	08/06/2022
July - September	10/01/2022	10/25/2022	10/28/2022	11/07/2022
October - December	12/31/2022	01/27/2023	01/28/2023	02/06/2023

Jan.—Feb.
**ISSUE
DEADLINE**
Dec. 10, 2022



High Water Bills?

Check your faucets and toilets for leaks!

Denton Public Works
410-479-2050

Calendar of Events

November 2022

3—Stitch & Sew at FACES
10a.m.-2p.m. 7 N. 4th St.
\$. Bring your unfinished sewing items to the Fiber Arts Center and meet up with friends and meet new ones as you work on your unfinished projects. Members and non-members welcome.

3—Town Council Meeting
7p.m.

6—Daylight Savings Time Ends
Set your clocks back 1 hour

8—Election Day—Town Office Closed

11—Veterans Day (Town office closed)

14—Town Council Working Session. 6:30p.m.

This meeting is open to the public in person and online. Visit www.dentonmaryland.com for details.

24—Happy Thanksgiving.

24 & 25—Town Office Closed

26—Shop Small in Downtown Denton 10a.m.-3p.m. Shop downtown Denton and fill a passport at participating businesses for a chance to win a Denton Dollars eGift Card.

Visit www.downtowndenton.com for details.



December 2022

1—Denton Holiday Parade & Lighting of the Green
6p.m. Market St., and 5th Ave., Downtown Denton.

2—Christkindlmarkt
5-8:30p.m. downtown Denton. Shop vendors on the closed streets in downtown, carriage rides available, Santa, and more. Want to be a vendor? Visit www.downtowndenton.com.



3—First Saturday Guided Walk at Adkins Arboretum.

10a.m.-11a.m.
Explore the Arboretums diverse plant communities on a guided walk led by an Arboretum docent naturalist. Visit adkinsarboretum.org or call 410-634-2847 ext 0 for details.

10 & 17—Sights & Sounds of Christmas 5-8p.m.
Camp Mardela 301 Deep Shore Rd.

Enjoy festive fun, live music, kids crafts, tree auction, treats, hayrides, and more. Visit www.campmardela.org for details.



25—Merry Christmas.

26—Town Office Closed

31—Happy New Year.



- Adkins Arboretum
#410-634-2847
www.adkinsarboretum.org

-Caroline Co.
Arts Council
#410-479-1009
www.carolinearts.org

-Caroline Co.
Public Library
410-479-1343
www.carolib.org

-Caroline Co.
Recreation & Parks
#410-479- 8120
www.carolinerecreation.org

-Fiber Arts Center
of the Eastern
Shore (FACES)
#410-479-1009
www.fiberartscenter.com

Police Department...

Toys For Tots & Cram the Cruiser



The Denton Police Department are collecting toys for the Toys for Tots campaign. If you are interested in donating new, unwrapped toys, please contact the Denton Police Department at 410-479-1414 or drop the toy in their lobby from 8:30a.m.-4p.m.

Denton police are also collecting canned goods and non-perishable food for local food pantries. Check the Police Department Facebook page or website for locations on where to drop food donations.



Employment Opportunities

The Town of Denton is accepting applications for the following positions in the Public Works Department.

Motor Equipment Operator I. Min. Salary: \$17.97 per hour. App. should have 1-yr experience in the operation of medium weight equipment used in water, sewer & road maintenance; must have a HS Diploma or be in possession of a GED; must have a valid Class "B" CDL driver's license.

Motor Equipment Operator II. Min. Salary: \$21.74 per hour. App. should have 2-yr experience in operating medium and heavy equipment and 2-yr experience in wa-

ter, sewer & road maintenance; must have a HS Diploma or be in possession of a GED; must have a valid Class "B" CDL driver's license.

Full-Time Facilities Maintenance Worker I or a II.

FMW I Accepting applications for a full-time Facilities Maintenance Worker I. Minimum starting salary \$17.97. Applicant should have knowledge of facility & park maintenance, operation of trucks, street sweeper, leaf vacuum, woodchipper, & other related machinery. Must have HS diploma or G.E.D. and possess a MD commer-

National Faith and Blue Weekend



On October 8, 2022, the Denton Police Department held their annual National Faith and Blue event in downtown Denton.

Officers and staff hand-

ed out coffee and donuts to the community and talked to residents about their concerns.

The event was well attended and everyone seemed to enjoy the interactions.

cial driver's license, CDL class "B" with appropriate endorsements.

OR

FMW II Accepting applications for a full-time Facilities Maintenance Worker II. Minimum starting salary \$19.77. Applicant is required to have 1-yr of experience operating trucks street sweeper, leaf vacuum, woodchipper, & other related machinery and 2-yr experience in facility & park maintenance. Must have HS diploma or G.E.D. and possess a MD commercial driver's license, CDL class "B" with appropriate endorsements.

Applications and complete job description are availa-

ble online at www.dentonmaryland.com/employment or at the Town Office, 4 N Second Street. Position will be open until filled. Resumes without applications will not be accepted. The Town of Denton is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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Public Works...

SNOW PLOW POLICY INFORMATION

Planning for a winter storm event can be difficult. The variations in rate of snowfall, moisture content, air/surface temperatures, time of day, and wind velocity make each storm unique.

The purpose of this policy is to clarify and describe the Town's snow plowing and sanding priorities and the level of service that is intended to be provided by Town forces. The Town does not guarantee that streets will be free of snow and ice after plowing and/or sanding. Bare, dry pavement should not be expected. The Town will attempt to maintain adequate traction for vehicles properly equipped for winter driving conditions.

It is the goal of this effort to establish general policies and procedures that help make travel within the Town as safe as possible and to minimize economic hardship.

Visit http://www.dentonpublicworks.com/streets/snow_plowing_policy.asp for the list of street priority.

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after hours please leave the request on the Town Office answering machine, ext. 1.

Please follow these guidelines for leaf removal:

- Leaves should be raked to the curbside or alley.
- DO NOT rake leaves into the street.
- DO NOT rake leaves onto the sidewalk.
- Make sure all sticks and limbs are removed from the pile of leaves.
- Make sure there are no other objects or debris mixed with the leaves (like bottles, cans, flowerpots, gloves, ashes, pet waste or other trash).
- Piles of leaves with sticks, limbs, or other debris will

not be picked up.

- Phone in your pickup request to the Town Office at 410-479-2050 by Thursday to guarantee pickup by Monday.
- All pickups will be done by request/appointment only.
- Loose leaf pickups will occur from Oct. 18 through Dec. 17, on Mondays and Fridays only, except for holidays.

Loose leaf collection days:

- **October** 17, 21, 24, 28, 31
- **November** 4, 7, 14, 18, 21, 28.
- **December** 2, 5, 9, 12, 16.

Winter Weather Tips

Here are some helpful tips to keep you and your home comfortable during this winter season.

To keep your pipes from freezing, turn off all outside spigots and insulate the pipes to protect them from the freezing temperatures.

To prevent water damage in your home, so you don't experience a burst pipe, locate all the water shut off valves. Don't wait for someone else to turn it off. The delay could cause major water damage.

As far as snow removal in the town, streets will not be plowed unless there is a 2 inch accumulation. The snow removal equipment cannot withstand clearing the street for a trace of snow.

When shoveling out your driveway pile the

snow in your yard not in the streets and always pile it to the left side of your driveway. This prevents the snow from being pushed back in your driveway from the street.

During snow storms park as many cars as you can in the driveway to make snow removal easier. It may also prevent your vehicle from being damaged by other vehicles on the roads.

EMERGENCY ROUTES are a priority when removing snow, secondary roads and alleys are last. You must be patient the crews will get to your area as soon as possible.

Lastly, your safety and the safety of our snow removal crews are our number one concern. Let's do all we can to keep everyone out of harm's way.

ANNUAL
Denton Holiday Parade
& Lighting of the Green

Thursday December 1, 2022
6p.m.
Historic Downtown Denton

*Holiday Floats, Classic Cars,
Marching Bands, Santa and More...*

Visit www.DentonMaryland.com for more info.

Planning & Codes...

4th Street Park—Phase I Renovations



During the past month the 4th Street Park has undergone Phase I of its renovations. Old equipment was removed and new toddler equipment was installed.

New equipment will include wheelchair accessible and sensory equipment.

This is just Phase I of III that will take place over the next several months.

Stay tuned for renovations that will include a crab

trap, renovation of the current swing set, walking trail, public art, and more.

The tennis courts will remain on site and available during renovations, unless otherwise noted at the park.

Please observe all caution signs during renovations and thank you for your patience as we bring you a new play experience.

Help Wanted Account Clerk I

The Town of Denton is accepting resumes for a F/T Acct Clerk I to handle AP, Cash Collections, answer phones, process mail, and assist with Utility Billing, etc. HS Diploma or GED required with 6 months experience in clerical accounting with public contact and the ability to assist the public patiently and politely. Supplemented with courses in bookkeeping, accounting, computer operations, typing and office practices preferred. This is a bondable position and is subject to a background investigation. Min. starting salary of \$16.34 per hour, with an excellent benefit pkg.

Submit resume w/cover letter, job application & references to the Denton Town Office, 4 N 2nd. St, Denton MD 21629 by 11/14/2022. Application w/o resume will not be accepted. Applications and complete job descriptions are available at 4 N 2nd St. and online at www.dentonmaryland.com. This position will remain open until filled. EOE.

Permit Reminder

A reminder from the Housing Department: Before you make improvements to your home, call the Denton Town Office Planning & Codes Department at 410-479-3625 or stop by 4 N. Second Street for permit information. Thank you.

Fall Tree and Bush Trimming

Fall is here and now is the perfect time to trim your bushes and tree's.

Please take this time to trim all overgrowth from sidewalks, streets, and alley ways. After you trim, place all your clip-

pings, cut end to the street, and call 410-479-2050, no later than Tuesday, for free pickup on Wednesday's. Thank you for keeping our walkways and Streets clear and usable for everyone.

Free Christmas Tree Pick Up

Need to get rid of your live Christmas tree? Denton Public Works is happy to remove your tree for you.

Make sure all ornaments, lights, decorations, etc are removed from the tree



and place at the curb. Christmas tree removal will be on Wednesday's. Call the Town office at 410-479-2050 to schedule your free tree pickup no later than 12p.m. on Tuesdays.

Special Collection Reminder

Household Items: All special collection items to be picked up on Wednesdays must be called in by 12 noon on Tuesday. Effective January 1, 2003, there is a \$5.00 collection fee for each item to be collected. This fee must be paid prior to pick up date. Reminder that all mattresses and box springs must be wrapped in plastic and sealed with tape.

Yard Waste: All bagged leaf and brush pickup requests must be called in by 12 noon on Tuesday for Wednesday pickup. Call all requests in to the Town Office at **410-479-2050**. Leave a message after normal business hours.

Main Street & The Artsway...



Downtown Denton Main Street
invites you to:

SHOP SMALL SATURDAY
Passport Event
November 26th 10-3pm



Fill your passport and be entered to
win a Denton Dollar eGift Card to be
used at 18 shops downtown

SHOP | EAT | GIFT LOCAL

Jingle Bell Ornament Class



as you create a ringing
sensation of an orna-
ment!

Teacher: Debbie Hibbert
Date: November 4, 2022
Time: 10:00am - 2:00pm
Cost: \$15(members) \$20
(nonmembers)

Kit Cost: \$15 includes
Styrofoam bell, precut
fabric squares, pins,
precut ribbons, thimble
pad.

-Bring a small ruler (1 inch
x 6 inches) or 2 ½" x 12"
or something comparable
Please call Kay Butler to
sign up at 410/829-5136.

Christmas is just
around the corner and
these holiday bells will
make wonderful gifts.
Come relax and have fun



Downtown Denton Businesses will be decorating their windows for the holidays. The community is invited to cast their vote for their favorite window on-line. Voting begin November 26th and will continue until January 1st. Visit www.downtowndenton.com and click on "events" to cast your online vote.



Stop, Shop, Explore
Downtown Denton

Updates on Ordinances & Resolutions

Resolution #888 – A Resolution of the Denton Town Council Amending the General Fund Budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. Adopted 09/01/22.

Complete copies of all Resolutions and Ordinances may be viewed at the office of the Town of Denton, 4 North Second

Street, Denton, Maryland, during normal working hours 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. To inquire or obtain additional information regarding these amendments please contact the Clerk-Treasurer at (410) 479-2050.



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Town of Denton
4 N. Second Street,
Denton, Maryland, 21629
410-479-2050 * Website:
www.DentonMaryland.com

Service Fees for Utility Calls

All calls for utility service for properties located in the Town of Denton are assessed the following service fee. This fee applies for all water shut off/turned on, and other miscellaneous calls for service. Paying utility bills on time can help the property owner avoid these fees.

Special Attention: Any water that is turned off will be assessed this fee to have the water turned back on. Tenants will need to pay this fee before water service is turned back on. (This may not apply for emergency situations pending the nature of the call.)

\$50.00 fee during normal business hours.

\$100.00 fee after normal business hours.

IT IS UNLAWFUL TO TAMPER WITH THE TOWN OF DENTON UTILITIES. DOING SO CARRIES UP TO A \$1,000 FINE AND POSSIBLE ARREST. PLEASE CONTACT THE DENTON PUBLIC WORKS DEPT. AT 410-479-2050 IF YOU NEED ASSISTANCE WITH YOUR SERVICE.

Attention Settlement Attorneys

Reminder to all settlement attorney's and agencies to please contact the Denton Town Office for fees due to the Town when handling settlements for properties being sold or transferred within the Town limits. There may be water/sewer fees or miscellaneous charges that need to be collected at the time of settlement. This will keep the Town's records up to date and better serve the resident's of the Town of Denton. This will also eliminate problems after settlement of any outstanding balances for the new property owner.

Please note: Any property that transfers ownership and the utility fees are not collected at settlement and forwarded to the town that result in the water being turned off for non-payment, the water turn on fee will still be charged. This charged maybe passed on to the settlement attorney. Currently the fee to turn water service back on during regular business hours is \$50.00 and after 3:30 PM the fee is \$100.00. Forms are available to use when requesting information. Any questions, please call the Town of Denton at 410-479-2050.