



TOWN OF NEWPORT

226 N. JAMES STREET, NEWPORT, DELAWARE 19804

WINTER, 2021

CONTACT US:

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NEW 2021 TRASH/RECYCLING SCHEDULE

Recycling:

January:	7, 21
February:	4, 18
March:	4, 18
April:	1, 15, 29
May:	13, 27
June:	10, 24
July:	8, 22
August:	5, 19
September:	2, 16, 30
October:	14, 28
November:	11, 26 (Friday)
December:	9, 23

Observed holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day.

Friday collection days due to a holiday:

June 4, September 10, November 26.

Color coded schedule is located on the town's website.

We were saddened by the death of Commissioner Flo Czerwinski and will miss her terribly. Tim Chatburn was appointed to replace her on council. Commissioner Chatburn took a short recess from serving, but we are fortunate to have him back.

*****REPEAT NOTIFICATION BECAUSE WE ONLY HAVE 22 PHONE NUMBERS REGISTERED TO RECEIVE TEXT NOTIFICATIONS*****

We are excited to announce that the Town has partnered with TextMyGov. By opting into this program, you will receive updates or notifications through text message and you will eventually be able to report things to us. Often, there are things that I would like to advise you or remind you of, such as trash delays due to a holiday, weather alerts, etc., that do not require a full-out newsletter. Please note that this DOES NOT replace 911 to get police attention - you still need to call 911 if you need an officer on scene. When messages are sent, they will be during regular business hours.

To get started, text the word "Newport" to 91896.

You will receive a confirmation message asking you to reply YES to verify opt-in. You then get a message to say you have successfully opted in and that frequency of messages will vary. If you text "HELP", you will be provided information about TextMyGov.

If you change your mind, text STOP at any time to remove yourself from the notification list.

This program will expand once I can determine the level of interest based on the number of residents who opt-in.

We had one snow event already this season and will probably have more! How prepared are you? Visit this website for many good ideas when preparing for snow or ice:

<https://simplefamilypreparedness.com/how-to-prepare-for-a-winter-storm/>

Utilize your driveway to keep the streets open so we can plow the streets. Please check on your elderly or infirmed neighbors and offer to help with clearing their sidewalk or driveway. We have no outlet in which to assist with snow removal on driveways or sidewalks.

Thank you!

For anyone who may not have been aware, long-time business owner, resident, Mason, firefighter, former town mayor/commissioner and friend, Jack Hanna, passed away October 22, 2020. Please join us in offering his daughter, Pam, prayers and condolences.

Meetings: January 21, February 18, March 18

Meetings are being held with social distancing, mask-wearing and limited capacity.

The municipal building will be closed January 21, 2021, and January 22, 2021, because of renovations happening in the office area.

FY2021 General Operating Budget was passed at the December, 2020, meeting of the Mayor and Commissioners. Breakdown is as follows:

Income totaling \$1,521,250

Expenses totaling \$1,521,250:

Capital Transfer	\$40,000
Contingency Fund	\$6,000
General Operations	\$469,350
Court 42	\$73,100
Maintenance	\$162,550
Parks	\$3,200
Police	\$626,600
Commissioners	\$9,450
Administration/Code	\$131,000

This does not include police grants, pay duty, and pass-through expenses/revenue.

