



# CITY CHATTER

*The Chatter that Matters*

October 2015

City Hall  
106 Dorman St.  
398-3530

Police Department  
10 Mechanic St.  
398-4493

Harrington Public Library  
110 Center St.  
398-4647

Parks & Recreation  
114 E. Liberty St.  
398-7975

Public Works After Hours On-Call Phone Number 632-8827

City's Website <http://harrington.delaware.gov>

## Fall Clean Up

Residents of Harrington can take bulk trash items to the Public Works Yard (102 Franklin Street) for disposal during Fall Clean Up.

Photo ID is required as proof of residency. Tires, paint, & batteries will not be accepted. Appliances must have the Freon removed by someone certified to do so and tagged as such. Call City Hall with any questions.

Take this opportunity to clean out your garage, shed, or attic or get rid of that old mattress!

### Hours for Fall Clean Up

Fri. Oct. 9 7:30 am – 3 pm  
Sat. Oct. 10 8:30 am – 2 pm  
Mon. Oct. 12 7:30 am – 3 pm  
Thu. Oct. 15 7:30 am – 3 pm  
Fri. Oct. 16 7:30 am – 3 pm

### Yard Waste Hours

Starting October 21, the times for yard waste drop off at the Public Works Yard (102 Franklin Street) are returning to winter hours, 9 am to 3 pm on Wednesdays. Yard waste (leaves, branches, etc.) cannot be placed in cans with household trash.

## Trick-or-Treating

Saturday, October 31  
6-8 p.m.  
Kids 12 & under



## Town Hall Meeting on a Curfew

October 12, 2015 – 6:30 p.m.

Price Community Center  
103 Dorman Street

Harrington residents are invited to join city officials to discuss a possible curfew for juveniles in the City.

## New Zoning Code Adopted

On July 20, the City of Harrington adopted a new Chapter 440, Zoning. The new Zoning Code is available to view or print on the City's website.

## Winter Reminders

With the onset of lower temperatures and winter weather, here are a few things to keep in mind:

- ❄ Pipes may freeze and cause leaks. Know where the master shut-off valve is located in your house, or have one installed, to save water and prevent water damage. See article on back page for more about master shut-off valves.
- ❄ Snow & ice must be removed from sidewalks along your property within 24 hours of snowfall ending. Don't throw snow onto streets.
- ❄ Remove hoses from outside spigots to prevent freezing.
- ❄ If possible, don't park cars on the street during snowfall.
- ❄ Water is metered, so there will be a charge for water left running to prevent frozen pipes.

## Message from the Harrington Police Department



We would like to welcome our newest officer, Carl Klotz, to our department. Carl was previously working as the Code Enforcement Officer for the City, and we feel that he will be a valuable asset to our agency.

We are working on a new community outreach program so look for more information coming soon.

## Halloween Safety Tips

- 🍎 Trick-or-treat with groups or an adult
- 🍎 Use reflective tape and flashlights to help drivers see you
- 🍎 Costumes should fit well and accessories should be soft and flexible
- 🍎 Walk, don't run; check both ways before crossing the street; use sidewalks and crosswalks
- 🍎 Never accept rides or homemade treats from strangers
- 🍎 Examine treats for choking hazards and tampering before eating
- 🍎 Never walk near candles

A brochure with



## Saving Tips

is available in City Hall & on the City's website.

## Free Housing Repair Program (CDBG) for homeowners with low to moderate incomes.

Contact Kent County at 744-2480.

*The City of Harrington wishes all its residents a healthy & prosperous*

# 2016!

## Christmas Tree Lighting

Monday, Dec. 1, 6 pm  
Freedom Park

Performances by LF Central & LFHS Choruses. Hot chocolate & cookies will be served.



## Christmas Parade

Friday, Dec. 4, 7 pm  
Rain date Dec. 5



Contact HPR to register for the parade.



## Library Events

Visit our website and Facebook page or call for info



### Regular Events:

- Job Center every Friday, 1-4 pm
- Storytime every Wednesday, 10:45 am
- Computer Help Lab on Mondays, 12 pm, sign-up at front desk

### Special Programs and Events:

- Teen Meeting – Thursday, October 1, 6 pm – For 6<sup>th</sup>–12<sup>th</sup> graders to discuss the yearly Halloween program
  - Minecraft Club – Mondays & Wednesdays, 3:30 pm – Play Minecraft at the Library with friends on laptops, must be over 10 years old and sign-up
  - Terrifying Tuesdays Movies – Monster Double Feature – Tuesday, October 6, 5 pm – Free refreshments
- Family Fun Night/Reading to the Dogs – Thursday, October 8, 6 pm – Free children’s craft and improve children’s reading skills by reading to volunteer dogs
- Terrifying Tuesdays Movies – Crawly Feature – Tuesday, October 13, 6 pm – Free refreshments
- Book to Movies Reading Club – Thursday, October 15, 6 pm - Also recent reads
- Terrifying Tuesdays Movies – Creature Double Feature – Tuesday, October 20, 5 pm – Free refreshments
- Spooky Teddy Bear Sleepover and Halloween Safety Program – Thursday, October 22, 6 pm – Bring your favorite stuffed friend and learn Halloween safety tips; pick up your teddy bear the next day
- Terrifying Tuesdays Movies – Ghostly Tale – Tuesday, October 27, 6 pm – Free refreshments
- Teen Meeting – Thursday, October 29, 6 pm - For 6<sup>th</sup>–12<sup>th</sup> graders to discuss the yearly Halloween program



## Haunted Library

Sat., October 31, 6-8 pm  
Garage behind Library  
FREE candy and prizes



*Come to the Library to see what we have going in November and December!*

## Parks & Recreation Events

More info at hprnews.com  
Like us on Facebook



- Little Spartans Boys Basketball Register now; for boys 5-12 years old; Saturdays December-February at HPR; \$55
- Mat Ratz Wrestling Register now; for kids 5-12 years old; instructional program; beginner and advanced classes at HPR; \$60
- Adult Fitness Treadmills, Nautilus machines, exercise bikes, and elliptical machines are available during normal business hours; must be 18 years or older, sign a registration form, and provide valid ID; \$50/person or \$75/couple annually

## Save Water, Time, & Money Install a Master Water Shut-Off Valve

Cold winter temperatures bring the possibility of frozen water pipes, which can cause leaks. This is most common in unheated areas of the house, such as in the crawlspace. In order to fix the leak, the water must be turned off. If there is no shut-off valve, the City’s Public Works Department must turn the water off at the water meter to allow the homeowner or plumber to make repairs.

**Save Water.** Leaks waste water; all leaks in your home are from water that has been metered as usage and will appear on your utility bill.

**Save Time.** Harrington’s Public Works Department addresses issues as quickly as possible, but it still takes time to travel to your home, and there may be multiple issues to be handled at once.

**Save Money.** The longer water leaks, the greater the risk of water damage, which means additional repair costs. If your water must be turned off at the meter, the City charges \$50 per trip during normal business hours and \$100 after hours.

A master water shut-off valve allows the homeowner/plumber to turn water off/on to the house easily & quickly. Water, time, and money can be saved by locating the master shut-off valve in your home or by investing in having one installed.

## Veterans’ Day – Nov. 11

Thank you to all the service men & women who have protected our country!



## City Council Meetings & Workshops

October 5	6:30 pm	Workshop
October 19	7:00 pm	Meeting
November 2	6:30 pm	Workshop
November 16	7:00 pm	Meeting
December 7	6:30 pm	Workshop
December 21	7:00 pm	Meeting

Schedules for trash/recycling collection are available on the City’s website and in City Hall. Magnets listing recyclables that will be accepted are also available in City Hall.

## City of Harrington Closings

November 11	Veterans’ Day
November 26	Thanksgiving Day
November 27	Day after Thanksgiving
December 24	Christmas Eve*
December 25	Christmas Day

\*City Council approved the switching of Columbus Day for Christmas Eve for the 2015 Holiday Schedule only.

Sign up on the City’s website or call City Hall to register for CodeRed and receive important information from the City via automated phone call, e-mail, or text message.



**Utility Bills Due**

November 10

**Tax Bills Due**

October 31

## Who’s Who in the City?

Anthony R. Moyer, Mayor

### City Council:

Duane E. Bivans (Vice Mayor), District 6  
Charles W. Porter, District 1  
Amy Minner, District 2  
Fonda Coleman, District 3  
Eric Marquis, District 4  
Kenneth W. Stubbs, District 5



Teresa Tieman, City Manager  
Norman Barlow, Chief of Police  
Alan Moore, PW Supervisor  
Christine Hayward, Library Director  
Bill Falasco, Parks & Rec Director