



# Harrington Happenings Winter 2021 /2022

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 <https://harrington.delaware.gov>



## Message from the Mayor

All, A heartfelt Welcome into the New Year! On behalf of my family, to the staff of this City of Harrington, the citizens and community in whole.

We have closed the final chapter of 2021 and look towards the opening of 2022 in which we remain hopeful, that with this New Year it will bring exciting new possibilities and greater opportunities for your family, friends, co-workers, neighbors, and our city.

You see it was within each of those that helped us through last year and we just want to applaud all who helped along the journey, and to believe this will be a breakthrough year!!!

Let us not focus so much on what we don't have but stand on what we do have. Some of us will make multiple New Year's resolutions and that's okay, however if you are able and willing, allow me to encourage us by simply striving to be better with each new day given, and to give thanks and watch a truly New Year unfold before your eyes!

Happy New Year's to all.

Stay Well!!!!

Mayor Duane E. Bivans



## Utility Disconnects for Non-Payment

Effective July 1, 2021 any delinquent utility account not paid by the end of business on the day prior to disconnect day will be assessed a \$50 service fee. In order to have services restored a \$50 service fee will be assessed during normal business hours and a \$100 service fee will be assessed for after hours. Please visit the City of Harrington's Facebook page and website for more information.

**February Disconnect Date:**  
**February 24, 2021**



## Public Works

**\*\*\*Christmas Tree Drop Off\*\*\***  
January 4<sup>th</sup> – January 7<sup>th</sup>



Tree drop off will be located at Public Works 102 Franklin St. from 8am – 3pm.

\*\*\* Flushing of Hydrants will be on the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of each month.

### Public Notice

Important Information about your drinking water  
<https://harrington.delaware.gov>

### Utility Assistance Programs

**LIHWAP** – Water Assistance program for low-income families Visit:

<https://dhss.delaware.gov/dhss/dph> or call Amanda @ DPH **302-744-4546**

**LIHEAP**- Energy assistance to help pay monthly bills and provide finance aid in an emergency to help prevent a disconnection.

Kent County **302-674-1782**.

**\*\*\*Reminder\*\*\***

Do Not put yard waste in trash / recycling bins



## POLICE DEPARTMENT

The winter season has arrived, and the Men & Women of the Harrington Police Department hope you had a Merry Christmas, and we wish everyone a Happy New Year! We hope your holidays were filled with many great memories of holidays past, and that you and your loved ones make many new memories this year.

Winter is in full swing and that means the possibility of snow, freezing rain, and other dangerous road hazards. Please make sure you give yourself enough time to get to where you are going safely. Some other winter driving tips include:

- \* Keep extra clothing, a blanket, and emergency items in your vehicle; these will come in handy if you break down.
- \* If you are stranded and have to stay in your car, you can run the engine for heat, but make sure the exhaust pipe is not obstructed by snow or mud.
- \* Use your headlights during inclement weather, including rain, snow, and fog.
- \* If you find yourself behind a snowplow, **stay behind it until it is safe to pass.**

\* When driving, always buckle up, put your cell phone away, drive safely, and obey all traffic laws and posted speed limits.

The City of Harrington is a wonderful community that works together and looks out for one another. As always, if you see any suspicious activity, please report it... "If you see something, say something!"

Have a wonderful start to the New Year and stay safe!

## Library Events

Visit our website and Facebook page or call for info

**Virtual Storytime** Craft Demonstration every Wednesday @ 10:00 am (on Facebook Live)

**In-Person Storytime** every Wednesday @ 10:45 am. \*Note: Please sign up to attend this program to ensure safe social distancing and enough materials. \* Please call at (302) 398-4647 to sign up.

**All ages. Grab & Go Free Snacks** available on Monday, Wednesday, and Fridays! We are partnering with Lake Forest School District to provide FREE tasty and healthy snacks to children in our community. Snack packs are picked up directly from the library. Children & Teens 18 & under.

**Grab & Go Craft Kit Every week**— Pick up your free crafts kits for the kids to do at home! We will have new crafts weekly. Crafts can be picked up at any time, so just call us at (302) 398-4647 and pick up some crafts for the kids. Supplies are limited, call today and reserve your projects!

**Monthly Grab and Go S.T.E.M Craft Kit (Pick-up)** Each month you can pick up a FREE S.T.E.M craft kit for children to make & experiment with @ home! There is a different science related theme each month for your child to learn about! *These special science DIY kits are made possible through a proud partnership with Engineer Early!*

**We have lots more fun and free programs for all ages**, call us @ (302) 398-4647 for more information! All of our events are also listed on our website <https://harrington.delaware.gov/public-library/> and on our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/HarringtonPublicLibrary>.



## Greater Harrington Historical Society

We have been very busy with multiple projects at the Greater Harrington Historical Society. Wreath Across America was again a huge success thanks to all of you! Over 2000 wreaths were placed across now ten cemeteries! Capital projects have begun. The cover over the caboose had to be replaced. Thanks to grants from Longwood Foundation and Welfare Foundation, the entire cost of removal and a new cover, costing \$30,000, was covered. We recently received a grant from Delaware Humanities for COVID-19 recovery expenses in the amount of \$20,000. These funds will be used to cover operating cost so we can divert funds to a possible foundation issue with the Church Museum building. And our biggest grant to date, \$100,000.00 was just given by Crystal Trust, THANK YOU! These funds are for a complete restoration of the 1926 Caboose on Hanley St. Get ready for a Memorial Day parade this year on May 30, 2022. Start time will be 10am. Registration forms will be on our website, [www.ghsociety.org](http://www.ghsociety.org). And it's never too early to talk about a first for Harrington Delaware! A traveling exhibit from the Smithsonian Institution will be making a stop here in our town. *Crossroads: Changes in Rural America* will be at the museum at 108 Fleming St from November 19, 2022 – January 28, 2023. Be sure to stop and check out this wonder America!



## City Hall

All garbage, trash, or rubbish containers shall be removed from the collection area and returned to a point to the side or rear of the structure by 11:59 p.m. the day the container has been emptied by the collector and in such a manner as to prevent the creation of a nuisance or a health hazard.

\*\*\*Reminder\*\*\*

**Yearly Rental Inspections Begin January 2022. Notice's have been sent out.**

Any exceptions to this section must be approved by the City Manager.



## Parks & Recreation Events

More info at [hprnews.com](http://hprnews.com)

Like us on Facebook

Get ready for a busy spring! Registration for Spring 2022 Soccer will begin on Jan 3, 2022, and end on March 11, 2022.

The season will begin April 2, 2022. Tumbling and Cheernastics program will be announced soon and will be held in early spring, watch our website and Facebook page. Do not forget our Easter Egg hunt in April! The Annual HPR Fundraising Golf Tournament will be held on May 20, 2022, at Jonathan's Landing. So, dust off your clubs by taking lessons with us here at HPR before you play! And we will open signups for Heritage Day, August 27, 2022, beginning in February, so be ready!

**For more information, please contact us at 302-398-7975 or on our website at HPRNEWS.COM**

## City of Harrington Closings

January 03 New Year's Day observed

January 17 Martin Luther King Day

February 21 President's Day

**Utility Bills Due:**

**February 10th**



## Updated Contact Information with City Hall

Please contact City Hall at (302) 398-3530 to add a current phone number to your account.

**Services:** E- billing – Code Red (Emergency notification call, text, or email) - Online bill pay.

## City Council Meetings

JAN 18	6:30 pm	Meeting
FEB 7	6:30 pm	Meeting
FEB 22	6:30 pm	Meeting
MAR 7	6:30 pm	Meeting
MAR 21	6:30 pm	Meeting

## Who's Who in the City?

Duane E. Bivans, Mayor

### City Council:

Micah Parker (Vice Mayor) District 3

Robert Farmer, District 1

Jack Stewart, District 2

Darrin Simpson, District 4

Ervin E. White, District 5

Michael Kimmey, District 6

Norman Barlow, Chief of Police

Alan Moore, Public Works

Supervisor

Marlena Scott, Library Director

Bill Falasco, Parks & Rec Director