

# Harrington Happenings

City Hall 106 Dorman St. 398-3530

Police Department 10 Mechanic St. 398-4493

110 E. Center St. 398-4647

Harrington Public Library 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

#### **Utility Disconnect 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 \$150 Service Fee Will Be Assessed for After Hours. Please Visit the City of Harrington's Facebook Page and Website For More Information.

August Disconnect Date: August 28, 2024.

## 3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL CITY OF HARRINGTON CITY-WIDE YARD SALE

SEPTEMBER 28th 2024 \*RAIN OR SHINE\*

CALL CITY HALL AT 302-398-3530 TO REGISTER YOUR LOCATION NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER  $16^{TH}$ 



#### Message from the Mayor

Summer is finally upon us! Graduations are complete and school is in a much-anticipated recess. Homework has been replaced with housework, or even better, the chance to explore the great outdoors!

Whether it's BBO's, the beach, road trips, or a much-needed vacation, enjoy all you do! However, be safe and sound and beware of increase foot traffic, bicycles, and motorcycles on roadways.

Should you be one that prefer a staycation, you may want to check out some of our local sites like the library, museum, and of course don't forget to check on our senior population as this weather could pose a concern for them as well as our pets – hydration, hydration!!

To everything there is a season and right around the corner awaits carnivals and fair. Thanks for making Harrington your place to live and work. Coming together to move forward.

Duane E. Bivans, Mayor

## **City Council Meetings**

July 15, 2024

August 19, 2024

September 16, 2024

Starting at 6:30 P.M.

## **Utility Bills Due:** August 10th, 2024



Please contact City Hall at (302) 398-3530 to add an updated phone number to your utility account.

#### "Chief's Corner" **Harrington Police Department**

Summer is upon us, and we at the Harrington Police Department want to help ensure that the City of Harrington is a safe and happy place to live, work, and visit.

With school ending, there are more children out playing and riding their bicycles so please use extra caution when out and about. Adults, please make sure children are wearing a helmet when on a bicvcle!

It's getting close to that time of the year again when we welcome the 2024 Delaware State Fair to Harrington! We hope that everyone has a great time attending and wish for everyone to stay safe. Please remember to take extra time when traveling around Harrington; pay close attention to the roads as they will be very busy with additional traffic and pedestrians. Please keep any valuables locked up and out of

view in your vehicles and remember to always keep your vehicle doors locked.

Harrington is a wonderful community that works together and looks out for one another. Remember, if you see something, say something! Have a wonderful summer and be safe.

#### **Library Events**

Come to the Harrington Public Library this Summer to enjoy our free and fun happenings. We have activities and materials for all ages, and we offer access to ancestry.com and newsbank.com to all our patrons. We will have great programs this summer at Freedom Park as well, and there is always time to sign up for the Summer Reading Program!

- Don't miss the new library ribbon cutting on Monday, October 7<sup>th</sup> at 10:00AM

#### **Ongoing Events**

- -In-Person Storytime every Wednesday at 10:45 am. \*Note: Please sign up to attend this program to ensure safe social distancing and enough materials.
- \* Please call (302) 398-4647 to sign up. All ages.
- -The library provides FREE tasty and healthy snacks to children in our community. Children & teens 17 & under.
- We have lots more fun and free programs for all ages, and we will be closing on August 30<sup>th</sup> to make the move into the new library location during the month of September.



45<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL HERTIAGE DAY AUGUST 24<sup>TH</sup> 2024 @ 9AM

Who's Who in the City?

Duane E. Bivans, Mayor

<u>City Council:</u>

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**Managers/Supervisors:

Norman Barlow, City Manager
Amanda Marlow, Assistant City Manager
Adam S Gillespie, Chief of Police
Alan Moore, Public Works Supervisor
Marleena Scott, Library Director
Bill Falasco, Parks & Rec Director

### TRASH INCREASE

Effective July 1, quarterly trash bills will be increased to \$59.50.

#### **SEWER INCREASE**

Kent County Sewer quarterly rates will increase to \$3.41 per 1,000 gallons effective July 1, 2024.

#### **Greater Harrington Historical Society**

The restoration work has begun on the former St. Stephens Episcopal church. All in thanks to a generous grant from Crystal Trust. The project includes replacing the stained-glass windows and a complete restoration of the exterior. The work will be completed prior to Heritage Day, so look for a special ceremony that day celebrating the project. And it's not too early to mention the building will be 150 years old in Jan 2026, so we will be having a large event to commemorate the founding of the church.

We are celebrating more grant funding! Longwood Foundation, \$40,000, Delaware Preservation Society, \$10,000 and Delaware 250th, \$10,000 (this is the group overseeing our state's celebration of our nation's 250th birthday in 2026) have all awarded grants to GHHS. These funds will be used to renovate the attic space in the Annex to create a proper archival storage and research area. Construction is set to begin this summer.

#### **City of Harrington Closings**

July  $4^{th}$  – Independence Day September  $2^{nd}$  – Labor Day

#### **Parks & Recreation Events**

It's summer at HPR and that means the 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Harrington Heritage is coming! This year's event will be held Saturday, August 24, 2024, beginning at 9am. A parade kicks off the day. There will be a kid's zone, peddle tractor pull, vendors and food for all! Mark your calendars today!

It's not too early to think about Fall Soccer. Signups begin July 1.

The HPR Fall Golf Tournament to benefit HPR will be held Friday October 25<sup>th</sup> at 10am. For details on all these events, visit <a href="https://www.hprnews.com">www.hprnews.com</a> and follow us on Facebook.

Great news! Beginning July 1<sup>st</sup>, you can sign up and pay online for any HPR event or program on the web! Go to <a href="https://www.hprnews.com">www.hprnews.com</a> and follow the instructions. There will be a 3 percent convenience fee for all online transactions.

The remodeled Recreational Building is open! We are planning multiple programs for the facility. Indoor pickleball is open now! An Adult Fitness Program Membership is required to use the indoor facility.

HPR has a playground! It is located behind our building at 114 E. Liberty St. It is for ages up to 12 years old and open from dawn to dusk 7 days a week!

#### City Hall

- Grass/weeds must not exceed 6 inches (305-4)
- Trees and bushes must be kept 7 feet over sidewalks and 10 feet over streets (365-17, 365-23)
- Yard waste drop off every Wednesday thought the summer at Public Works, 102 Franklin Street.
- All vehicles must be properly tagged and registered (406-1, 406-2)
- Outdoor burning is prohibited unless in an approved receptacle (114-3, 114-4)