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OFFICE HOURS

M-Th: 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM F: 8:00 AM - 12:30 PM Sat-Sun: Closed

Credit card payments accepted for a small fee. Notary, Copy & Fax service available for small fee.

> Council Meeting: Wed. Mar. 3rd, 7 p.m. Planning Commission: Tues. Mar. 16th, 7 p.m.

Please make sure payments are <u>received</u> in the Town Office by the due date!

If the office is not open and you would like to make a payment please use our door slot and be sure to push your payment all the way through.

Town Meetings and Planning Commission Meetings are open to the public. Citizens are encouraged to



attend to be informed and give input. Meeting agendas are posted outside Town Hall every Friday, and items are added as requested (which can be as late as Wednesday morning) and re-posted with each change. An early agenda is posted on the Town website, but may not always include the latest changes. Stop by the Town Hall on Wednesday evenings and learn first-hand about the many happenings in our town. For more information, call the Town Clerk at 410.443-0087.

- •Town Meetings are held the first Wednesday of every month at 7 pm
- •Planning Commission Meetings are held at least quarterly on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7 pm Public Hearings, Public Workshops, Special Appeals Hearings, etc. are

scheduled as needed. Check the website for updates www.trappemd.net or on FACEBOOK.

Town Election - May 11, 2021

In May, voters will go to the polls in Trappe to choose three people to fill the office of Town Councilperson. The open seats will be that of Commissioner Nicholas Newnam, Commissioner Walter Chase Sr., and Commissioner Norm Fegel. Persons interested in running for these positions must be a resident of the incorporated limits of Trappe for one year prior to the election; a qualified voter in the Town of Trappe (at least 18 years of age and a U.S. citizen); and file a candidate application with the Town Administrator/ Clerk.

Those interested in running as a candidate must file by March 16, 2021 at 4:00 PM.

Mosquito Control

The Town of Trappe has again entered into the Mosquito Control Program through the MD Dept. of Agriculture. The Town has the possibility of a total of 12 sprays through the 2021 mosquito season. If the Town is sprayed 12 times, the cost of the program will be \$1,550. The MD Dept. of Agriculture offers individuals the opportunity to exclude their property from the program if the property owner wishes to do so. A Request for Exemption from Adult Mosquito Control Services must be completed and returned to the MD Dept. of Agriculture before April 30th. The request is available at the Town Office and online.

Bulk Trash

Bulk Trash orders will be picked up on Friday, April 30, 2021. Order forms are available at the Town Office and online. The fee is \$10 per 3 cubic feet (additional fees apply for tires).

Order forms and payment must be received by the Town Office no later than 4:00 PM on Tuesday, April 27, 2021.

More information, including regulations and prohibited items, can be found online at https://trappemd.net/trash-collection.



COVID-19 UPDATES

- Town Website: http://trappemd.net/
- Town Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/trappemaryland/
- Talbot County: http://talbotcovid19.org/
- Governor Hogan: https://governor.maryland.gov/coronavirus/
- CDC: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html

Preventing Frozen and Bursting Water Pipes

Information provided by LGIT (www.lgit.org)



To prevent the formation of ice in pipes due to freezing temperatures and to prevent the pipes from bursting, we recommend that you:

- Always place piping in heated areas of a building.
- Properly insulate attics, exterior walls, and other areas lacking adequate heating.
- Repair broken windows, ill-fitting doors, and other conditions that allow heat loss.
- Keep exterior doors closed, even if not in the immediate vicinity of piping.
- Maintain heat in buildings at all times. No area with piping should be allowed to fall below 50 degrees Fahrenheit.
- Shut off the water lines and drain all pipes if the building is to be left unattended for an extended period. (The exceptions are sprinkler systems unless all combustible materials are removed and the building is noncombustible or fire-resistive.)
- Provide insulation around a pipe sufficient to reudce heat loss, or provide heat tracing, if the pipe might be exposed to freezing temperatures.
- Install low temperature alarms (with remote monitoring) in cold-prone areas.
- Adequately maintain and prepare dry-pipe sprinkler systems for cold weather (drain low points, etc.)
- Properly service and winterize private yard hydrants.
- Clear snow and ice from private yard hydrants, outside hose connections, and fire protection system valves to help prevent freezing of these systems.

It is important to identify the main water shut-off valve(s) for the building and ensure that key personnel know where they are in case of a pipe break.

Maryland Word Scramble	
LDO YBA	ALBKC YDEE
BLEU ACRB	SAUNS
NRSEAV	ROYSTE
IOLRESO	ASLPAONIN
PTIRSNERA	HCAEPEKESA YBA