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# NEW HR GUIDELINES

Find out about the new exciting changes to your benefits!

**TOMPENEFITS.COM**

Effective October 1st!



[Click Here to View the Recap](#)

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Town Earns Prestigious CAFR Award



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STAFF!

## CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT IN FINANCIAL REPORTING

CAFR AWARD RECEIVED FOR THE 32<sup>nd</sup> CONSECUTIVE YEAR



[Click Here to Read the Article](#)

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## Check Out Who's Climbing the Leaderboard

**IncentFit LEADERBOARD**

**THROUGH 9/17/2020**

**IncentFit Winners (first to reach \$250)  
Christiane Farrell**

1. Alan Opachinski	\$229.00
2. Craig Oliverius	\$222.50
3. Shelli Davis	\$209.00
4. Derek Russell	\$205.50
5. Dana Henderson	\$204.50
6. Matt Krasowski	\$196.50
7. Toni Herman	\$188.50
8. Don Wollenbecker	\$182.50
9. Kathy Frame	\$180.00
10. James Aton	\$174.00

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Congratulations for Your Years of Service!



CONGRATULATIONS TO MPPD SPO BROWN ON  
**20 YEARS OF SERVICE**

WITH THE TOWN OF MOUNT PLEASANT!



CONGRATULATIONS TO HR DIRECTOR MEGHAN KELLY ON  
**15 YEARS OF SERVICE**

WITH THE TOWN OF MOUNT PLEASANT!





CONGRATS TO SPECIAL EVENTS MANAGER NICOLE HARVEY ON  
**10 YEARS OF SERVICE**  
WITH THE TOWN OF MOUNT PLEASANT!



CONGRATULATIONS TO MPPD PFC LIPARI ON  
**5 YEARS OF SERVICE**  
WITH THE TOWN OF MOUNT PLEASANT!





CONGRATULATIONS TO MPPD FTO HENDERSON ON  
**5 YEARS OF SERVICE**  
WITH THE TOWN OF MOUNT PLEASANT!



**Disasters Don't Wait.  
Make Your Plan Today.**

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## Making a Difference During COVID

# FRANKIE PETTIT

## GIS MANAGER

### **The New Normal Calls for New Ways of Doing Business**

The GIS Division was provided a unique opportunity to utilize town employees and collect sidewalk damage information for Public Services for evaluation.

### **Creating a COVID-era App**

Using inhouse talent and existing licensing, the GIS Division built a custom survey that was easy for all-level users on any mobile device

### **Public Service Matters!**

The survey collected data about the damage observed and included a location and picture. The surveys were automatically pushed to a webmap for Public Services to review from a desktop. These types of surveys can be customized based on specific project needs, at no extra cost to the town.



## Making a Difference During COVID

# PETER STONE

## TOWN PLANNER

### **The New Normal - Online Public Meetings**

Peter was responsible for assembling a team and implementing online public Board and Commission meetings for the Town at the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic.

### **Sharing With Other Departments**

The step-by-step guide Peter developed was provided as a template and distributed to other departments to teach them how to host online public meetings. He was able to accomplish this in less than two weeks in order for the Town to continue normal public meeting operations

### **Going Where Other Jurisdictions Dared Not Go**

Through Peter's efforts, the Town was able to maintain and expand public access and participation with boards and commissions where other jurisdictions suspended public comment for virtual meetings.



# Making a Difference During COVID TRANSPORTATION

PAUL LYKINS & DANIEL WILLIAMSON

## An Appetite for Virtual Public Meetings

When the public meeting for the Transportation Department's Maritime Port District project was cancelled because of public health concerns at the end of March, the Department had two choices - put all improvements on hold or pivot and embrace new technology to increase civic engagement. Project manager Daniel Williamson and Infrastructure Division Chief Paul Lykins led an effort to create a unique virtual meeting. This simulated virtual meeting was hosted from June 15 - June 30, 2020. During that time, the virtual meeting space had approximately 450 views and 17 formal comments, far exceeding the participation of traditional meetings of this type.

*"The virtual meeting is a great idea. When only one or two representatives from our neighborhood speak at a Town Meeting, you don't have a true representation of all area communities. Continue with the virtual meetings!"*



## CARING FOR YOUR MENTAL HEALTH DURING COVID-19



Take breaks to relax and do activities you enjoy.



Take care of your body with exercise and a healthy diet.



Know the facts. Understanding the risks can make an outbreak less stressful.



Stay connected with family, friends, and a trusted support system



Ask for help if feelings become too overwhelming.



[cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://cdc.gov/coronavirus)

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**In Memoriam - Captain Wayne Magwood**  
Read the "Magwood Family" Quick Fact Friday [HERE](#)

Sign Up for Quick Fact Friday Here

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A Reminder from the Recreation Department

# MOUNT PLEASANT FALL FLICKS

FRIDAYS IN OCTOBER  
CAROLINA PARK SOCCER FIELDS  
FOOD @ 6, MOVIE @ 7

10/2  
FORREST  
GUMP

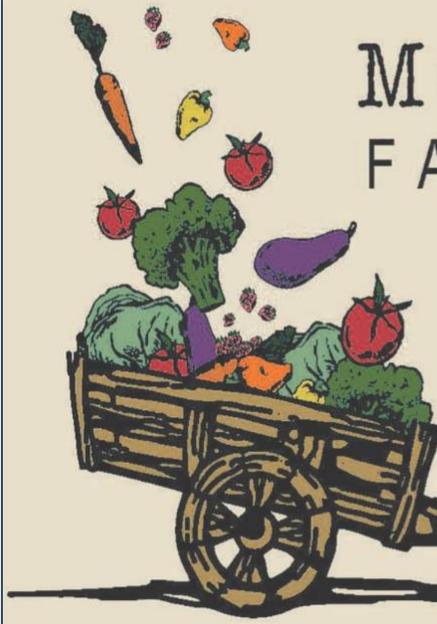
10/9  
RV

10/16  
REMEMBER  
THE TITANS

10/23  
BEAUTIFUL DAY  
IN THE  
NEIGHBORHOOD

10/30  
THE  
NIGHTMARE  
BEFORE  
CHRISTMAS





# MOUNT PLEASANT FARMERS MARKET

Locally Grown Produce | Food Vendors | Live Music

TUESDAYS

3:30-7:00 PM | COLEMAN BLVD

EXTENDED THROUGH OCTOBER



[ExperienceMountPleasant.com](http://ExperienceMountPleasant.com)

## YOUR EMPLOYEE RELATIONS COMMITTEE



Gina Artrip - Administrative Services

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Dana Henderson - General Government

Sean Harshaw - Fire

Kate Miller - Planning

Adam Willis - Police

Andrew Dolan - Public Services

Haley Vaughn - Recreation

David McLawhorn - Transportation



