

Trash and Recycling Collection Reminders

Please place refuse to the curb **no earlier than 4 pm** on Tuesdays, **but before 7 am on Wednesdays**, and remove your containers as quickly as possible after collection. Ensure there is a pedestrian path available at all times by not blocking public sidewalks and rights of way with refuse containers. **Do not place household refuse in or next to Town-owned trash receptacles**

Town Council Actions: June 6, 2017

The following items are extracts of recent Town Council actions and are not official meeting minutes. The most recent approved Town Council minutes and agendas are available online at www.occoquanva.gov. All votes are unanimous unless noted otherwise.

- Approved extension of Building Period for Kiely Court Project.
- Approved Gaslight Landing Maintenance Bond Release Request.
- Approved FY 2018 Refuse Contract.
- Approved Fee Schedule and New Signage for Dock.

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Mayor's Letter

Summer is officially here, and activities in Occoquan are in full swing! Thanks to everyone who visited, volunteered, and worked during the Spring Arts and Crafts Show in June. We had a great turnout, record-high bus ridership for a Spring Show, and lots of constructive feedback about show logistics. Afterwards, I met with staff to discuss some of the challenges and opportunities identified during the event, and we also brainstormed some enhancements for future shows to ensure our continued success. This is an incredibly important event for the Town of Occoquan, and a challenge for a staff of only seven people. Thanks to Events and Community Development Director, Julie Little, staff and volunteers for another great show. The countdown begins for Fall Show 2017!

A number of new businesses have opened this spring, so please join me in welcoming them to Occoquan: Grind N' Crepe, Reclaimed Treasures, Sistafriends Retail Store, Urban Posh Boutique, and Virginia Vapes. Though these storefronts are new, a number of them already have ties to other town businesses. We're proud to welcome these new ventures, and wish them much success.

Since March, staff and Town Council have been working with the land use and planning section of Burns & McDonnell out of Richmond, VA to review, revise and update the Town's zoning and subdivision ordinances (chapters 54 and 66 of the Town Code). The goal is to update these chapters for consistency to state regulations and compliance with other areas of the Town Code, as well as align them with the newly updated Comprehensive Plan document, adopted in October 2016. An introductory community meeting was held on April 20th, Council has reviewed various drafts during regularly scheduled Council meetings and work sessions, and a public hearing will be scheduled for August; please take some time to review the process and proposed changes at www.OccoquanVA.gov. We welcome your comments and concerns during this much needed review of the Town's zoning and subdivision ordinances.

Finally, I'm sad to report that one of our long-time docents at the Mill House Museum, Stewart Christiano, has passed away following a short illness. Stewart was a retired educator and for over 12 years could be found at the Mill House Museum on Sundays, instructing young and old about our Occoquan history. As an example of his passion for learning, Stewart purchased a hand grain mill for children to grind wheat into flour. He touched many lives and will be missed by each of them.

Elizabeth A.C. Quist

THE TOWN OF OCCOQUAN PRESENTS

Music on Mill

Free Summer Concert Series 2017



First Fridays & Third Saturdays at River Mill Park
6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
 458 Mill Street, Occoquan

July 7 – September 16

Blankets and lawn chairs welcome. **No tents or pop-ups.**

Free public parking available on-street and in town lots.

Fri., July 7: Maggie Shot Burns – 90s Covers

Sat., July 15: Rocknoceros – Family/Pop/Rock

Fri., Aug. 4: Jahnel Daliya – Folk/Pop

Sat., Aug. 19: The Amazing Kevin – Magician/Family

Fri., Sept. 1: FeelFree – Reggae/Rock

Sat., Sept. 16: James Drakes and CT3 – Acoustic Rock

www.occoquanva.gov
[Facebook.com/OccoquanCraftShow](https://www.facebook.com/OccoquanCraftShow)

Town Meetings and Events

(All meetings are held at Town Hall, 314 Mill Street, unless otherwise noted.)

July 3-4: Independence Day Holiday
 Town Hall Closed

July 6: Architectural Review Board
 7:00 p.m., Town Hall

July 7: Music on Mill Concert
 6:00 p.m.– 8:00 p.m., River Mill Park

July 11: Planning Commission
 7:00 p.m., Town Hall

July 15: Music on Mill Concert
 6:00 p.m.– 8:00 p.m., River Mill Park

July 15-16: Lemonade Stroll
 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Historic Occoquan

July 18: Town Council Meeting
 7:00 p.m., Regular Meeting, Town Hall

July 20: June 2017 Meals Tax and Transient Occupancy Tax Due

Meet the New Chief of Police - July 19

On June 6, 2017, Chief Adam C. Linn was officially appointed as Chief of Police/Town Sergeant for the Town of Occoquan. Chief Linn has been serving as Interim Chief since December 2, 2016, upon Chief Sheldon Levi's retirement. **On July 19**, Chief Linn will host a "Meet the Chief" at Town Hall at 6:30 p.m. The community is invited to attend and become involved in and learn more about public safety topics including:

1. Who is Chief Linn and where did he come from?
2. What are the current public safety goals set by the Town Council?
3. What public safety concerns you have?

Independence Day Fireworks and Celebrations

July 1, 2017
Workhouse Arts Center
 5:00-9:30 pm
 Fireworks at 9:15pm
 Free admission, \$10 parking
www.WorkhouseArts.org

July 4, 2017
Old Town Manassas
 3:00-10:00 pm
 Fireworks at 9:15pm
 Free admission
www.VisitManassas.org

July 4, 2017
Potomac Nationals
 G. Richard Pfitzner Stadium
 Fireworks following the game
www.facebook.com/PotomacNationals