

THE MILTONIAN



www.cityofmiltonwv.com

March/April 2022

From the Mayor

As many of you know, Mayor Canterbury is in the hospital following complications from a fall at his home. I am pleased to report that he is recovering well; slowly, but surely, getting better every day. Unfortunately, visitation is limited to only two visitors per day. Say a prayer for him, however, and if you would like to send him a card, please mail it to:



Mayor Tom Canterbury
1139 Smith Street
Milton, WV 25541.

I'm sure he would enjoy reading the well wishes from you. We will make sure he receives all of them.

We've had about enough of the winter cold and snow. The first day of Spring is right around the corner, and with the warmer weather comes all sorts of City-wide activities. We will resume paving roads, and utility projects will hopefully be moving along. The City-wide spring cleanup is scheduled for the week of April 25-29. Be sure to follow the guidelines on pick-ups found on page 2, and check out the map on page 7 showing the day we will be picking up in your area. If you have any questions about your day, please call City Hall.

There are a couple new businesses in town: Scarlett Renee's Farmhouse Crafts & More, and Shim & Telley's, both located in Perry Morris Square. We encourage you to pay them a visit and welcome them to Milton.

The City has been advised that Cabell County 911 Mapping and Addressing will be changing addresses currently known as East and West Main Street in Milton to US Route 60, and will be renumbered. They plan to renumber US Route 60 from Huntington all the way through Culloden,



From Recorder Dana Walters

I don't know about you, but I'm glad Spring is finally in sight! I can hardly wait to see fresh buds on trees and spring flowers in bloom.



Here at the City we have been busy gathering the information needed to create the Budget for fiscal year 2022-2023. City Council will meet at City Hall at 9:00 am on March 8, 14, 21 and 24 to prepare and finalize the Budget to be submitted to the State Auditor's Office as required by law. All of these meetings are open to the public.

Another important date is Tuesday, April 19th at 9:00 a.m. when a Special Meeting will be held as required by law to Lay the Levy once approved by the Auditor's Office. Again, all meetings are open to the public.

Please continue to pray for a quick and full recovery for our Mayor, Tom Canterbury. It will be good to see him back in the office soon.



If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at 304-743-3032, ext. 222, or Finance Clerk Cameron Ernst at ext. 211.

From the Director of Public Works Charles Conard

I wish the Mayor a speedy recovery. We are holding down the fort while he recuperates, but look forward to his return to City Hall.

As always, there is a lot going on in the City of Milton. I'm happy to announce that the Maintenance Garage is 99% complete. As with any large project, there are a few minor items that need to be done, but the street and utility employees, as well as their equipment and tools are at long last under one roof.



On January 1st, Mountain State Waste began fulfilling a non-exclusive franchise agreement with the City for residential trash pick-up. Residents within City limits are required to pay a City Service Fee (billed by Mountain State Waste) which not only pays for weekly trash collection through MSW, but also enables the City to continue to offer brush and leaf collection as well as spring and fall clean-up events, the next one being the week of April 25th. It is a win-win for residents and the City.

With warmer weather on the way, we will soon return to paving roads. Our first goal is to finish the work on Harrison Street. We have not determined which area will be worked on after that.

After a slew of water leaks on Heck Street, we are replacing those water lines using a portion of the funding received from the American Rescue Plan Act. This project, which began in December, is nearing completion.

The Sewer Project, in the works since 2018, finally went to bid in mid-February. This project, made possible through a grant and loan from the USDA Rural Development, was split into three biddable sections, which were preliminarily awarded to two companies, Tribute Contracting and Chojanacki Contracting. The bids totaled millions of dollars more than anticipated when originally estimated. We are seeking additional funding, by way of grants and/or loans, for this project and will keep you updated.



Replacing water lines out Newman's Branch is another utility project in the works. We were granted \$970,000 from the IJDC for this project. As with the sewer project, the cost for this job has skyrocketed since it was first estimated, which means that we must either downsize the project, or come up with more money. We are actively seeking additional funding so that it can be fully completed as proposed. We obtained approval for this project by the DHHR, but are awaiting approval from the DOH to put this project out for bid. Again, we will keep you posted.

Although we've all heard assertions that there is a lot of money out there for infrastructure, it does not appear to be quickly or steadily flowing. There are many more projects we would like to tackle if/when funding is available through grants and/or loans. The more grants we receive, the lower we can keep your rates.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me at 304-743-3422, extension 209.

APRIL 25-29

SPRING CLEANUP

SEE ATTACHED MAP FOR YOUR PICK-UP DAY

1 DAY ONLY

1 STOP & 1 LOAD PER HOUSEHOLD

NO: TIRES, CAR PARTS, BATTERIES, APPLIANCES

NO EXCEPTIONS

MILTON BAPTIST CHURCH

Community Center Saturday

March 19th 11-2pm

WE ARE OFFERING A SAFE AND FUN ENVIRONMENT TO HELP BUILD RELATIONSHIPS WITHIN THE COMMUNITY.
FREE ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO
"HOW TO" CLASSES, EXERCISE AND GAMES

EVERYONE WELCOME!
LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED



www.miltonbaptistchurch.net

1123 Church St
Milton, WV 25541
304-743-3461

Do You Qualify?

SCAC Weatherization Program, office located at 1595 US Rt. 60 East, Milton, WV helps individuals with some weatherization issues if you qualify (NOT REPAIRS). For more info visit their website www.acacwv.org.

USDA (304-284-4861) also offers assistance through the 504 Program, a low interest loan for those 62 or older who own their home and the 502 Program, a 100% financed, no interest loan for low income homeowners.

Milton VFD Events:

Friday, April 29, 12 noon—8 pm and Saturday, April 30, 9 am—5pm

FOP Lodge #122 Gun Show, full concessions will be available. There will be lots of vendors and plenty of parking. For more information, call **Reed Cook at 304-654-9680 or Tim Chastain @ 304-972-1885**

The Milton Volunteer Fire Department Community Room is now open and available to be rented. Call **Marsha Chastain at 304-972-5333** for more information. Watch the MVFD Facebook page, the sign at Wendy's and future newsletters for music and other venues coming soon!

Milton Rotary Spaghetti Dinner May 7

The Milton Rotary Club, in honor of Hershel Woody Williams, awards three scholarships of \$1000 yearly to eligible Milton area graduates. Students at Cabell Midland High School, Hannan High School and Mountain State Christian School can apply for a scholarship to be used at a college or university in a four-year academic program or in a vocational-technical school program.



The deadline to apply for this scholarship is April 1, 2022. Check out the Milton, WV Rotary Club's Facebook page to find the Application and requirements, or contact City Hall for a copy of this information.

Mark your calendars for May 7th to join the Milton Rotary Club at Milton Baptist Church for a Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction, the proceeds from which will be used to support local students.

Confederate Memorial Day Commemorative Service

Mud River Baptist Church-Cemetery
3144 East US-60, Ona, WV

Sunday, April 24th, 2022
2:00 PM



You are cordially invited to **bring a chair**, and join us for a Confederate Memorial Day service.

This is a collaborative event presented by the United Daughters of the Confederacy Cooney Ricketts Chapter 2726 of Milton and the Sons of Confederate Veterans A.G. Jenkins Camp 628 of Huntington.



Senior Luncheon



Check with your local Seniors Center to see when **MONTHLY DINNERS** will resume. For more info on this or any other event, call the Center at 304-390-4164.



From Chief Joe Parsons

It has been a trying month for our officers and I want to thank all of those who have offered up prayers for our men in blue. Officer Scarberry lost his mother and brother to Covid related illnesses after lengthy stays in the hospital. He was very appreciative of all the prayers for him and his family. The mother of Officer Cole's son had to have a pacemaker implanted at a very young age. Officer Lloyd is dealing with physical therapy for an injury sustained on duty and does not seem to be improving, resulting in an upcoming MRI test to check for ligament or cartilage damage as the swelling is not subsiding. Once again, we appreciate the prayers and well wishes offered up for these officers. Several of our officers and their families were struck again with Covid, including myself, but everyone is slowly recovering and back to work.



We are continuing to guard against fraud by telephone or email, please remember that the government, including the IRS, does not deal in gift cards so if you are asked to purchase a gift card and call the numbers in to pay a fine, back taxes or post a bond, it is most likely a scam. Please protect yourself.

I want to thank the Milton Rotary Club for their very generous donation of \$1,200.00 at the February 10th meeting. The money went to purchase a new Nikon camera for our crime scene team after our old camera broke and was no longer in production. Additionally new rechargeable batteries for our flashlights were purchased as well as a new battery for our automated external defibrillator (AED) system. We try to respond to each and every Emergency Medical Service call within the Milton corporate limits to ensure the Paramedics' safety as they have been assaulted in the past on "man down" calls, and their trucks have occasionally been looted for drugs and needles by addicts. This causes us to sometimes arrive before the ambulance does and we have found ourselves to be the only first responders on scene in a cardiac arrest scenario. The AED has been utilized several times by our officers in an attempt to return the patient to a normal cardiac rhythm until the paramedics arrive. This is an invaluable tool for us and we appreciate the Rotary Club making the purchase of these very expensive batteries for us.



Spring will be upon us soon and I'm sure we are all very much ready for it. Covid seems to be diminishing and masks are no longer needed as they were in the past. Please have a happy springtime and drive safely as you return to a more normal life.

Finally, I would be remiss if I didn't ask for a speedy recovery for our Mayor, Tom Canterbury after his recent surgery. Get well soon, Tom.

March 2 @ 1 pm
Bethesda UMC
118 Bethesda Drive, Opa

ASH WEDNESDAY

March 2 @ 6 pm
Milton UMC
1007 Church Street, Milton

happy easter!

**HE IS NOT HERE,
FOR HE HAS RISEN!**

LUKE 24:6

April 17

From the Utilities Department

Spring is in the air! Many of you are probably looking forward to getting outdoors to plant flowers, work on your lawn and enjoy the warmer weather. Below are a few suggestions that will help keep your water flowing efficiently and without waste.

Give the outdoor faucet a test run

After it's winter hiatus, you'll want to be sure Jack Frost hasn't done damage to the hardware and pipes. (Hopefully, the outside water supply was shut off and drained before freezing temperatures arrived.) Turn on the water supply and open the valve. You may hear some rushing air and pops at first. Next, close the valve, checking for leaks and drips. Then head indoors to check the pipes for signs of leaking.

Inspect your hoses for expansion

While cold air makes things shrink, warm air causes expansion – even in your water pipes and hoses. Rapid expansion caused by increased temperatures and direct sunlight can cause hoses or pipes to expand and crack. If you notice such damage around your home, it's important to get these pieces replaced as quickly as possible. The longer a crack exists, the more water will be wasted due to unnecessary leakage.

Remove obstructions in your sprinkler system

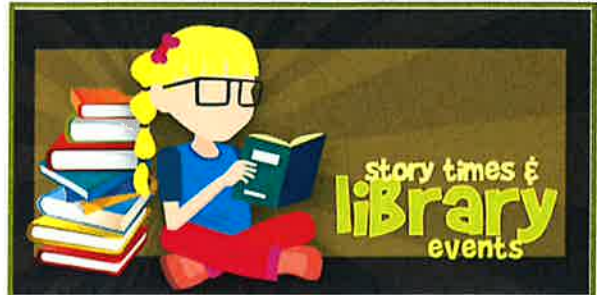
It's important to monitor your system throughout the season to make sure individual sprinkler heads do not become clogged with obstructions like dirt, grass clippings or other debris. If obstruction occurs, it can cause unnecessary buildup in water pressure that can burst the system's water main. Also check each sprinkler head for damage periodically, as a damaged head can be a water waster.

If you have any questions or concerns pertaining to your water or sewer service, please contact our office at 304-743-3422. Regular business hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. Keep in mind, we are closed for lunch daily from Noon to 1:00 pm. To report a water or sewer related emergency outside of our regular business hours, please call 304-590-7649.



Milton United Methodist Church is offering "Living Artfully—Learn to Paint a Flower Wreath" with step-

by-step guidance,, on Sunday, March 6th from 3-5 pm. Cost is \$20 and anyone may participate., although the class is limited to the first 20 persons. Call 304-743-6461 to sign up.



Milton Public Library Hours: 9 am—5:30 pm
Monday, Wednesday—Saturday;

9:00am—7:00pm Tuesday; Closed Sunday.

◆ **Storytime Reading** Wednesdays, 10am

◆ **Can You Make It At Home?** Check our Facebook page every other week for a craft video you can try at home.

◆ **Knotty Knitsters** Tuesdays, 1-3pm, Weekly knitting session for beginners & pros alike. No knowledge, needles or yarn needed; we can provide all three. Crocheters are welcome as well.

◆ **Color the Rainbow**, March 14-17, Coloring sheets and St. Patrick's Day crafts for the family!

◆ **Spring Crafts**, March 21-26, Spring into the library for fun seasonal crafts.

◆ **Egg-cellent Easter Art**, April 11-16, We have egg-actly what you need for an egg-static Easter egg-perience!

◆ **Buzz Into the Library**, April 25-30, These crafts will keep you busy as a bee!

Contact the Milton Public Library for more information about these events.

HOUSING FOR THE ELDERLY



The **MILTON HOUSING AUTHORITY** is accepting applications for tenancy for the elderly & disabled, 62 years of age or older, or handicapped/disabled regardless of age, with or without children.

1 BEDROOM ONLY

Applications may be obtained online at cityofmiltonwv.com or at City Hall, 1139 Smith St., Milton, WV 25541

304-743-9530

TTY/TDD 1-800-982-8771



*Saturday, April 9th
9am-11am
The Cabell County Fair and
WV Pumpkin Festival
Will host Easter Breakfast
and an Egg Hunt at the
Pumpkin Park Fairgrounds
Cost is \$10*

STORMWATER: Help Stop Water Pollution

We need your help in reporting water pollution and illegal dumping in the City of Milton. Most storm drains flow directly to rivers, streams, ditches, or ponds without any treatment. Pollutants like paint, oil, litter, and soapy water can have harmful effects on water quality. Call the Building Department (304) 743-3032 Ext. 202 if you:

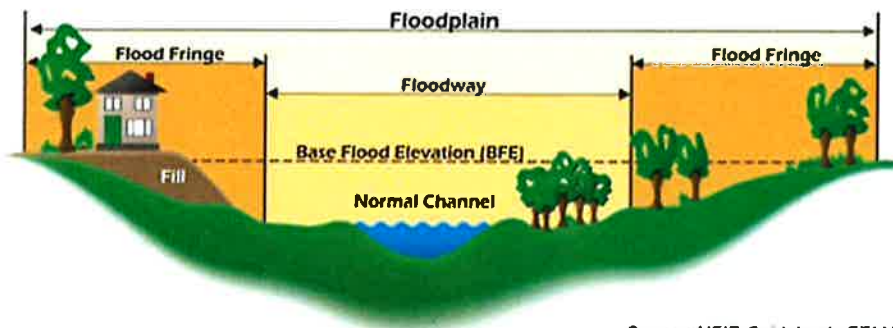
- See someone dumping oil, grease, paint, or other pollutants down a storm drain or into the street
- See someone blowing leaves or grass clippings into the street or a storm drain
- Notice flooding due to clogged storm drains and pipes
- Notice strange colors, suds, or smells in a stream or near a storm drain



FLOODPLAIN INFORMATION

A **floodplain** is an area of land adjacent to a stream or river, which is naturally subject to flooding. As an owner, or prospective owner, it is vital you are aware of where the floodplain is in relationship to your property. This information is vital for any plans to build, alter, regrade, or fill on your property as well. The Building Department can help you with this information. Below is a typical model of characteristics of a floodplain.

Characteristics of a Floodplain



Source: NFIP Guidebook, FEMA

There is valuable information on floodplains located at mapwv.gov. This is commonly referred to as the WV Flood Tool. Once there, type in any address in WV and it will show the structure and the floodplain in red if you are in fact close to or in the 1% floodplain. Just remember to put the city name in the address bar so that you get the correct address you are searching for.



**US Army Corps
of Engineers®**

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) has scheduled informational meetings regarding the Lower Mud River Flood Risk Management Project that will be open to the public. USACE representatives will be available during these meetings to discuss the project, answer questions, and listen to any concerns.

Next informational meetings:

March 29th - 3PM to 7 PM at Milton City Hall

March 30th - 3PM to 7 PM at Milton City Hall

FALL CLEANUP!

MILTON CITY LIMITS ONLY, SEE MAP BELOW FOR YOUR DAY

ONE DAY, ONE STOP, ONE LOAD

NO TIRES, CAR PARTS, BATTERIES OR APPLIANCES

BE SURE TO HAVE YOUR PICK-UP ITEMS TO THE CURB BY 8 AM ON YOUR DAY



MONDAY	APRIL 25
TUESDAY	APRIL 26
WEDNESDAY	APRIL 27
THURSDAY	APRIL 28
FRIDAY	APRIL 29

Glenwood Road east to Brickyard Avenue

East of Brickyard Avenue to end of City Limits, including Hiddenbrook and Cabell Healthcare Center

Electric Road east to Stewart Street, including Woodline Subdivision

East of Stewart Street, Cardinal Drive to and including Newman's Branch Road









East of Newman's Branch Road to Glenwood Road, including New Milton area and Harbour Trailer Park

March 2022



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	1	2	3	4	5
Recycling @ Water Plant 3-5 pm, Paint a Flower Wreath @ Milton UMC	5:30 pm Utility Board 7 pm City Council	1 pm Ash Wednesday Service @ Bethesda UMC 6 pm Ash Wednesday Service @ Milton UMC	Ash Wednesday — Lent Begins	12 pm Rotary @ Venetian 6:30 pm Lions Club Mtg	7pm Bingo @ AmLeg	Recycling @ Water Plant 5-7 pm Dinner @ AmLeg
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Recycling @ Water Plant 3-5 pm, Paint a Flower Wreath @ Milton UMC	9 am Budget Meeting 5 pm Court	9 am Budget Meeting 5 pm Court		12 pm Rotary @ Venetian	7pm Bingo @ AmLeg	Recycling @ Water Plant 5-7 pm Dinner @ AmLeg
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Spring Forward Daylight Savings Begins Recycling @ Water Plant	9 am Budget Meeting 7 pm Cabell Co Fair Bd Mtg 7 pm VFW Mtg			 St. Patrick's Day 12 pm Rotary @ Venetian 5 pm RPOC 6:30 pm Lions Club Mtg	7pm Bingo @ AmLeg	Recycling @ Water Plant 5-7 pm Dinner @ AmLeg
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
First Day of Spring Recycling @ Water Plant	9 am Budget Meeting	7 pm AmLeg Mtg 7 pm Pumpkin Park Bd Mtg		9 am Budget Meeting 12 pm Rotary @ Venetian	7pm Bingo @ AmLeg	Recycling @ Water Plant 5-7 pm Dinner @ AmLeg
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
Recycling @ Water Plant				12 pm Rotary @ Venetian		

April 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						
3 Recycling @ Water Plant	4 5:30 pm Utility Board 7 pm City Council	5	6	7 12 pm Rotary @ Venetian 6:30 pm Lions Club Mtg	8 7pm Bingo @ AmLeg	9 Recycling @ Water Plant 9-11 am Easter Breakfast, Egg Hunt @ Pumpkin Park 5-7 pm Dinner @ AmLeg
10 Recycling @ Water Plant	11 7 pm Cabell Co Fair Bd Mtg 7 pm VFW Mtg	12 5 pm Court 7 pm AmLeg Mtg	13	14 12 pm Rotary @ Venetian	15 Good Friday 7pm Bingo @ AmLeg	16 Recycling @ Water Plant
17 	18	19 9:00 am Lay the Levy	20	21 12 pm Rotary @ Venetian 5 pm RPOC 6:30 pm Lions Club Mtg	22  Earth Day 7pm Bingo @ AmLeg	23 Recycling @ Water Plant 5-7 pm Dinner @ AmLeg
24 Recycling @ Water Plant 2 pm Confederate Memorial Day Commemorative Service, Mud River Baptist Church-Cemetery	25 	26 	27 	28 	29 	30 Recycling @ Water Plant 9am-5pm Gun Show, MVFD 5-7 pm Dinner @ AmLeg

(Continued From Page 1)

making the numbering less confusing and more streamlined. In addition, John's Creek will be renumbered, and there will be a few road names that the City will need to change. They will notify those affected by these address changes.

Spring is the season of rebirth. Easter especially is a time associated with new life, hope and joy. We hope you all get out and enjoy the warmer weather and the many activities happening in Milton over the next couple of months. Happy Easter to you all. He is risen.



WELCOME TO THE CITY OF MILTON WHERE LIVING IS A PLEASURE!

City of Milton

1139 Smith Street
Milton, WV 25541-1327

(304) 743-3032

recorder@cityofmiltonwv.com
cityclerk@cityofmiltonwv.com
financeclerk@cityofmiltonwv.com
miltoninspector@cityofmiltonwv.com
miltoncemetery@cityofmiltonwv.com
it@cityofmiltonwv.com

Milton Municipal Utilities

(304) 743-3422

After-hours emergency, call

(304) 590-7649

miltonwater@cityofmiltonwv.com
miltonutilities@cityofmiltonwv.com
mmuc@cityofmiltonwv.com
publicworks@cityofmiltonwv.com

Milton Police Department

(304) 743-9211

mpdclerk@cityofmiltonwv.com
mpdchief@cityofmiltonwv.com

Visit www.cityofmiltonwv.com

City of Milton
1139 Smith Street
Milton, WV 25541

PRE-SORT
STANDARD MAIL
US POSTAGE PAID
MILTON, WV 25541
PERMIT NO. 40