MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR...

As I announced in the Spring Newsletter, beach replenishment is scheduled to start in Fenwick Island on July 28th. We are pleased to be getting the beach replenished, however, we are not pleased that it will take place during our busy season. As you know, the beach is owned by the State, therefore, the Town has no control over when this will occur. I ask for your understanding and patience, and we will get through this.

I am happy to say we have had three very successful events in Town. In April, we celebrated Earth Day with our annual Town Cleanup. On July 1st, we hosted a party for the entire Town to celebrate our 65th Birthday. And on July 7th, we had our Annual Town Bonfire. I want to thank all our employees and volunteers who made these events so successful. The Town would also like to thank the Town’s business community for their generous contributions and support for these events.

Most importantly, the Town continues to vigorously oppose any Federal efforts to allow offshore oil drilling off our coast.

Stay safe and enjoy the rest of your summer!

Mayor Gene Langan

ELECTION CANCELLATION NOTICE

The annual election for the Town of Fenwick Island Town Council scheduled for Saturday, August 4, 2018 has been cancelled.

The three (3) candidates: Gardner Bunting, Vicki Carmean, and Bernie Merritt, have been declared elected to fill the three (3) vacancies.

VOTER REGISTRATION UPDATES

The Town is in the process of updating the voter registration records. If you have not updated/registered within the last 6 months, we are asking each property owner to fill out a new Voter Registration Form, provide a copy of your driver’s license/photo i.d., and return the form to Town Hall.

The deadline to return the form/register is by June 30, 2019 in order to vote in the August 2019 election!

Thank you in advance for your cooperation!

Make a plan for what you will do in an emergency!

Plan in advance what you will do in an emergency. Be prepared to assess the situation. Use common sense and whatever you have on hand to take care of yourself and your loved ones. Here is a list of recommended supplies you should have before an emergency occurs:

- Water one gallon per person per day, for drinking and sanitation
- Food at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food
- Battery-powered radio & extra batteries
- Flashlight and extra batteries
- First aid kit
- Whistle to signal for help
- Filter mask or cotton t-shirt, to help filter the air
- Moist towelettes for sanitation
- Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities
- Manual can opener for food (if kit contains canned food)
- Plastic sheeting and duct tape to shelter-in-place
- Garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation
- Unique family needs, such as daily prescription medications, infant formula or diapers, and important family documents
Safety Tips for Pedestrians...

1. Be safe and be seen: Make yourself visible to drivers:
   - Wear bright/light colored clothing and reflective materials.
   - Carry a flashlight when walking at night.
   - Cross the street in a well-lit area at night.
   - Stand clear of buses, hedges, parked cars, or other obstacles before crossing so drivers can see you.

2. Be smart and alert: avoid dangerous behaviors:
   - Always walk on the sidewalk (if there is no sidewalk, walk facing traffic).
   - Stay sober; walking while impaired increases your chance of being struck.
   - Don’t assume vehicles will stop - make eye contact with drivers, don’t just look at the vehicle. If a driver is on a cell phone, he or she may not be paying enough attention to drive safely.
   - Don’t rely solely on pedestrian signals. Look before you cross the road.
   - Be alert to engine noise or backup lights on cars when in parking lots and near on-street parking spaces.

3. Be careful at crossings: look before you step:
   - Cross streets at marked crosswalks or intersections, if possible.
   - Obey traffic signals such as WALK/DON’T WALK signs.
   - Look left, right, and left again before crossing a street.
   - Watch for turning vehicles - make sure the driver sees you and will stop for you.
   - Look across ALL lanes you must cross and visually clear each lane before proceeding. Even if one motorist stops, do not presume drivers in other lanes can see you and will stop for you.
   - Don’t wear headphones or talk on a cell phone while crossing.

The F.I.B.P. continues full-time coverage until Labor Day (September 3rd). The Town beaches will also be guarded the two weekends after Labor Day with modified coverage and hours.

Junior Lifeguard registration continues through the summer months, with sessions available through the first week in August. For more information, please contact Town Hall.

Beach access is available via our beach vehicle or beach wheelchair for the elderly, handicapped, injured, or special circumstances. See the nearest lifeguard or call 302-462-6949.

The new Polaris beach vehicle has been a great asset to the beach patrol and is very effective on the beach. Patron have also been very complimentary about the vehicle.

Once beach replenishment starts, any beach closures or related information will be posted on social media and the Town website.

We have had our share of interesting marine life this summer: in May we had a whale, in June we had a seal, and in July we have had a sea turtle who laid 78 eggs!

**REPUBLIC NEWS...**

Hello to all! The Fenwick Island Public Works Department hopes everyone is having a great summer thus far! Summer activities are in full swing! Recently, our Town sign, just north of Town, was replaced and looks great!

The Town celebrated its 65th birthday on Sunday, July, 1st. A party was held at Town Hall for everyone to come up and celebrate with us. One new attraction, the “Big Beach Chair” was unveiled for the celebration in the Community Park. So far, it has been well used. C'mon up and try it out and share your photos on the Town’s Facebook page!

Now that July is here, you know that what that means...... BONFIRE! The 2018 Town Bonfire was recently held on Sunday, July 8th. As always, Dagsboro St. was the place to be!

**RECYCLING IN FENWICK ISLAND**

For more information on recycling and waste services in Town, please visit the link on the Town’s website:

fenwickisland.delaware.gov/waste-services

**REMINDER:**

NO PETS OR OTHER ANIMALS ARE PERMITTED ON THE BEACH AT ANY TIME BETWEEN MAY 1-SEPTEMBER 30!