

Trash and Recycling Collection Reminders

Please place refuse to the curb **no earlier than 4 p.m.** on Tuesdays, but **before 7 a.m. on Wednesdays**, and remove your containers as quickly as possible after collection and store at the rear of your property. 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.** Need a new container? Contact Town Hall at (703) 491-1918.

Annual Fall Cleanup Day October 17, Save the Date!

Friends of the Occoquan (FOTO) will host the annual Fall cleanup day on Saturday, October 17, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. The event will focus on town beautification, river cleanup and trash removal. If you would like to volunteer, meet at Town Hall, 314 Mill St., at 9 a.m. on October 17. Tools will be provided and you are encouraged to wear comfortable clothing and sturdy shoes. For more information contact Renate Vanegas, Friends of the Occoquan, at (703) 674-6659 or foto@friendsoftheoccoquan.org.

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Mayor's Letter

Believe it or not, another Occoquan Arts and Crafts Show is right around the corner! Mark your calendars for our Fall Show, taking place the last weekend in September, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday the 26th and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday the 27th. As always, our Craft Show team is looking for volunteers to staff the Town's information booth and bus stops, and assist with logistics and customer service for visitors and vendors alike. Contact Krista Forcier at craftshow@occoquanva.gov or (703) 491-1918 to sign up.

Work continues on Town maintenance and Mill Street improvement projects. As I'm sure many of you have noticed, Town parking lots, McKenzie Drive, and more than 1,500 feet of curbing got a fresh coat of paint in August, and a dozen or so crosswalks were added to Town-owned streets in the historic district. Additionally, while repairing and relaying a new section of brick sidewalk, Town Staff uncovered a section of Occoquan's original brick sidewalk beneath a more recent layer of concrete sidewalk. Prince William County Archaeologist Justin Patton examined some of the bricks removed during the project and confirmed that several of them date back to the late 1700's. The discovery occurs just in time for an overhaul of the historical display in Occoquan's Town Hall. Town Manager Kirstyn Jovanovich is working with Dolores Elder and the Occoquan Historical Society to bring new artifacts to the display case. In the meantime, stop in to Town Hall to see one of the original benches from the building's use as a church on display on the main floor.

Finally, please join me in welcoming some new businesses to Occoquan.

Aer Potentia, federal contracting
Daken Operations Analysis & Strategies,
federal contracting
VeJay Technologies, technology consulting
Angi's Nails & Spa Salon, nail salon
TGAW 3D, 3D printing and design

See you at the Craft Show!

Elizabeth A.C. Quist

Town Council Actions: August 4, 2015

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 an ordinance to participate in the Virginia Investment Pool in the amount of \$100,000.
- Approved the Gaslight Landing as-built drawings and bond release, contingent on completing a one-year Maintenance Agreement and posting surety.
- Initiated the Zoning Text Amendment relating to Chapter 66, Article VII, Signs and Advertising.
- Tabled request to award contract for Fiscal Year 2015 Financial Audit.
- Awarded contract for street, parking lot and curb painting in an amount not to exceed \$6,710.
- Postponed request to replace the Town Hall roof until FY 2017.
- Approved a not-to-exceed amount of \$6,500 to purchase new banners for Town gas lights.



Occoquan Arts and Crafts Show September 26 and 27, 2015

Event Information: www.occoquanva.gov



STREET CLOSINGS

The following roads will be closed from 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. on September 26 and 27: Mill, Commerce, Union, Washington Streets, as well as Ellicott Street from Mill Street to Center Lane. During this time, please coordinate movers or deliveries accordingly.

CRAFT SHOW PARKING

Permits will be available to merchants and residents living or working in the event area for parking under the Route 123 bridge from 10 p.m., Friday, Sept. 25, until 6:30 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 27. Due to limited parking spaces, only one permit per business or family living or working in the event area - first come, first served - will be issued. If you are unsure if you live or work in the event area, please view the map online at www.occoquanva.gov/resident-and-business-information.html. Permits will be available at Town Hall beginning Tuesday, September 22, at 9 a.m. and will be available daily from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. until Friday, or until all permits are issued, whichever comes first.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Interested in giving back to the community? Consider volunteering your time and talents to the Town's Arts and Crafts Show. This two-day event draws thousands of people to town and is successful due to the support of our businesses and volunteers! If you're interested in volunteering for the Arts and Crafts Show, email kforcier@occoquanva.gov, call (703) 491-2168 or stop by Town Hall to sign up.

September 2015

Town Meetings and Events

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

September 1: Town Council Meeting
7:00 p.m., Regular Meeting, Town Hall

September 7: Labor Day
Town Hall, closed

September 8: Planning Commission
7:00 p.m., Town Hall
Architectural Review Board
7:30 p.m., Town Hall

September 9: Supervisor Mike May Town Hall Meeting
6:00 p.m., Town Hall

September 15: Town Council Work Session
7:00 p.m., Work Session, Town Hall

September 20: August 2015 Meals Taxes Due

September 26: Occoquan Fall Arts & Crafts Show, 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

September 27: Occoquan Fall Arts & Crafts Show, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Adopt-A-Spot of Occoquan!

The Town has partnered with Keep Prince William Beautiful (KPWB) and identified two locations in Town that are available for adoption! Adopting a spot simply means that you make a commitment to keep your spot free of litter and debris on a regular basis for a minimum of two years – all training and supplies are provided! After a short evaluation period, we'll install a sign with your name on it identifying your adopted spot! Spots available for adoption include:

1. Mamie Davis Park and Boardwalk
2. Mill Street Public Parking Lot and Waterfront (Under 123 Bridge)

If you are interested in adopting either of these locations, please contact Town Hall at (703) 491-1918, Ext 2 or email kjovanovich@occoquanva.gov. Spots can be adopted by individuals, families, organizations and businesses! By adopting a spot, you will help keep Occoquan clean and beautiful, and help protect and preserve our watersheds. For more information on the Adopt-A-Spot program, visit www.kpwb.org.

