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**RECYCLING SCHEDULE**  
**2022**

**THE BI-WEEKLY RECYCLING PICK-UP WILL CONTINUE TO BE PICKED UP ON MONDAYS, THE SCHEDULE FOR 2022 IS AS FOLLOWS:**

<b>JANUARY</b>	<b>3, 17, 31</b>
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	<b>14, 28</b>
<b>MARCH</b>	<b>14,28</b>
<b>APRIL</b>	<b>11,25</b>
<b>MAY</b>	<b>9,23</b>
<b>JUNE</b>	<b>6,20</b>
<b>JULY</b>	<b>4, 18</b>
<b>AUGUST</b>	<b>1, 15, 29</b>
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>12,26</b>
<b>OCTOBER</b>	<b>10,24</b>
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	<b>7, 21</b>
<b>DECEMBER</b>	<b>5, 19</b>



# CITY NEWS

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**MAY 2022**

Delaware City Town Hall  
407 Clinton Street  
(302) 834-4573

**Mayor:**  
Paul H. Johnson, Sr

**Council Members:**  
Linda Price  
Beth Konkus  
Michelle Cornish  
Betty Barrett  
Dan Saunders

**City Manager:**  
David Baylor

**Chief of Police:**  
Michael Henderson

**Delaware City Directory**

**Police Department**  
(302) 836-6344

**Delaware City Fire Hall**  
(302) 834-9336

**Post Office**  
(302) 834-4716

**Library**  
(302) 834-4148

**Fire Hall Rental**  
(302) 392-1783

**Park Building Rental**  
(302) 834-0662

**Town Hall will be CLOSED**

**Monday, May 30, 2022 &**

**Monday, July 4, 2022**  
\*Trash will be picked up on Tuesday

## ELECTION RESULTS



The Municipal Election was held on Tuesday, April 5, 2022. Congratulations go out to Council Members Beth Konkus and Linda Price on their re-election to a 2-year term. Congratulations to Michelle Cornish on her election to a 1-year term on Council. They were sworn in on Monday, April 25, 2022. We extend our thanks to all the candidates who ran for office. A special thanks to Michael Jackson for his service to the City during his term in office.

## MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE AT VETERANS POINT

The members of Robert L. Taylor Post 13 of the American Legion will be hosting its Annual Memorial Day Services at Veterans Point.

Services will be held on Sunday, May 29, 2022.

Services will begin at 10:30 a.m.



## GET INVOLVED

The City currently needs to fill vacancies on:

- Planning Commission (1)
  - Board of Adjustment (3)
  - Board of Ethics (1)
  - Historic Preservation Commission (2)
- Contact Town Hall if Interested.



# Solutions to Stormwater Pollution

## Easy Things You Can Do Every Day To Protect Our Water

### A Guide to Healthy Habits for Cleaner Water

Pollution on streets, parking lots and lawns is washed by rain into storm drains, then directly to our drinking water supplies and the ocean and lakes our children play in. Fertilizer, oil, pesticides, pet waste, grass clippings: You name it and it ends up in the water.

Stormwater pollution is one of Delaware's greatest threats to clean and plentiful water, and that's why we're all doing something about it.

By sharing the responsibility and making small, easy changes in our daily lives, we can keep common pollutants out of Stormwater. It all adds up to cleaner water, and it saves the high cost of cleaning up once it's dirty.

As part of Delaware's initiative to keep our water clean and plentiful and to meet federal requirements, many municipalities and other public agencies including colleges and military bases must adopt ordinances or other rules prohibiting various activities that contribute to Stormwater pollution. Breaking these rules can result in fines or other penalties.

As a resident or business, it is important to know these easy things you can do every day to protect our water.

### LIMIT YOUR USE OF FERTILIZERS & PESTICIDES

Do a soil test to see if you need a fertilizer.

Do not apply fertilizers if heavy rain is predicted.

Look into alternatives for pesticides.

Maintain a small lawn and keep the rest of your property in a natural state with trees and other native vegetation that requires little or no fertilizer.

If you use fertilizers and pesticides, follow the instructions on the label on how to correctly apply it.

### PROPERLY USE & DISPOSE OF HAZARDOUS PRODUCTS

Hazardous products include some household or commercial cleaning products, lawn & garden care products, motor oil, antifreeze, and paints.

Do not pour any hazardous products down a storm drain because storm drains are usually connected to local waterbodies and the water is not treated.

Make sure you properly store or discard any unused portion of Hazardous Products in your home or workplace. Read the label for guidance.

Use natural or less toxic alternatives when possible.

Recycle used motor oil.

Visit DSWA.com for locations to dispose of hazardous waste.

### KEEP POLLUTION OUT OF STORM DRAINS

Municipalities and many other public agencies are required to mark storm drains inlets with messages to remind people that storm drains are connected to local waterbodies.

Do not let sewage or other waste flow

### CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR PET

Pet owners or their keepers must pick-up and properly dispose of pet waste dropped on public or other people's property.

Use newspaper, bags or pooper-scoopers to pick up waste.

Dispose of the wrapped pet waste in the trash or unwrapped in a toilet.

Never discard pet waste in a storm drain.

### DON'T LITTER

Place litter in trash receptacles.

Recycle, Recycle, Recycle.

Participate in Community cleanups.

### DISPOSE OF YARD WASTE PROPERLY

Keep leaves and grass out of storm drains. Use leaves and grass clippings as a resource for compost.

Use a mulching mower that recycles grass clippings into the lawn.

When residents see evidence that someone has dumped chemicals or debris into the storm sewer system, here's what they can do:

-Visit <http://www.302STOPPIT.org> and fill out an online form

-Call or send a text message to (302) STOPPIT (302.786.7748) with the location and details

-Email [hotline@302STOPPIT.org](mailto:hotline@302STOPPIT.org) with the location and details

### CONTACT INFORMATION

For more information on stormwater related topics, visit:

[www.delawarecity.delaware.gov](http://www.delawarecity.delaware.gov)

[www.nccde.org/223/stormwater-management](http://www.nccde.org/223/stormwater-management)

<https://deldot.gov/programs/stormwater>

[www.epa.gov/npdes](http://www.epa.gov/npdes)

## SHREDDING & RECYCLING EVENT

Saturday, June 11, 2022 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
Governor Bacon Parade Grounds at Fort DuPont



Want to get rid of some of those old electronics and paint cans? There will be a large shredder at the Parade Ground to use for shredding all your unwanted papers. You can also bring all your old electronic goods to dispose of and any household waste such as paints, cleaners, etc.

Remember you cannot put electronics or household hazardous waste in your regular recycling carts! They must be disposed of in an environmentally safe way.

Lets keep our environment safe!  
This event is sponsored by DSWA.

### **MOST HOMEOWNERS INSURANCE DOES NOT COVER FLOOD DAMAGE**

Floods are the #1 natural disaster in the US. Floods usually strike without warning. They occur in all 50 states. Millions of buildings have been damaged over the last several years. People have lost their homes and belongings, and they never saw it coming. Are you insured against such a hazard?

Your homeowners insurance covers many hazards. Flooding typically is not one of them. Many people believe federal disaster assistance will cover them. Not Always! The President must first declare the flood a federal disaster; any assistance you receive is usually a loan that has to be repaid with interest. That is why you need flood insurance. The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) was created by Congress in response to the rising cost of disaster relief for flood victims, and for more than 40 years it has provided protection for millions of families. About 100 private insurance companies nationally offer flood insurance backed by the federal government. Policies are available to homeowners, condo owners, apartment owners, renters and business owners. Typically, there is a 30-day waiting period from the date of purchase before your policy goes into effect. Contact your insurance agent or insurance company for more information.

### **STORMWATER**

As storm water runoff flows over land surfaces—pavements, yards, driveways, and roofs—it picks up debris, chemicals, dirt, and other pollutants. Anything that enters a storm sewer system is discharged untreated into the waterbodies we use for swimming, fishing, and providing drinking water. Polluted runoff is the nation's greatest threat to clean water. In efforts to control storm water pollution, we must consider individual, household, and public behaviors and activities that can stop pollution from these surfaces. Here are some common individual behaviors you can do to help prevent storm water pollution:

- \* Always pick up your doggie's doo! Doggie doo can wash into our streams and rivers and introduce disease-causing bacteria.
- \* Pick up litter from your yard and storm drains.
- \* Use natural products whenever possible! Toxic substances like insect sprays and moth balls should be used as little as possible.
- \* Plant more trees and flowers! It will make your yard more beautiful, and make it more difficult for chemicals to reach waterways.
- \* Recycle as much as possible!
- \* Check your vehicle for oil leaks and drips on a regular basis. When you find a leak, fix it promptly.
- \* Collect oil in containers with a tight fitting lid. Old milk jugs are perfect!
- \* Never dump motor oil, antifreeze or other engine fluids down the storm drain or into the ground.
- \* Wash your car at a car wash that filters water, this will prevent oil from your car from entering the ground water
- \* Use ground cloths under your vehicle whenever doing engine repair. Clean up all spills that happen in a timely matter.

## **NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MAYOR & COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING**

**Washington Street Paving Project Public Hearing  
Wednesday, May 18, 2022 6:00 P.M.  
DELAWARE CITY FIRE COMPANY  
815 FIFTH STREET**



### **MEETINGS**

#### **Mayor & Council:**

Monday, May 16 at 6:30\* p.m.  
Delaware City Fire Company

Monday, June 20th at 6:30\* p.m.  
Delaware City Fire Company

Monday, July 18 at 6:30\* p.m.  
Delaware City Fire Company

#### **Planning Commission:**

Monday, June 6th at 6:30 p.m.

Monday, July 11th at 6:30 p.m.

Monday, August 1st at 6:30 p.m.

Location:  
Delaware City Community Center

#### **Historic Preservation Commission:**

Tuesday, June 7th at 7 p.m.

Tuesday, July 5th at 7 p.m.

Tuesday, August 2nd at 7 p.m.

Location:  
Delaware City Community Center

*\*in the event a Public Hearing is scheduled on the agenda,  
Mayor & Council Meeting will begin at 6 p.m.*

**If you wish to be on the Planning Commission's or Historic Preservation Commission's agenda, please contact Town Hall at least ten (10) days before the meeting date. 302 834-4573**

Agendas for all meetings are posted at Town Hall, Post Office, Sunset Market, Valero Station and Library & [www.delawarecity.delaware.gov](http://www.delawarecity.delaware.gov)



**DELAWARE CITY SENIOR CENTER**

Join us!

**Join the Senior Center  
Monday and Tuesday at the Library  
10:00 am — 1:00 pm**

**DELAWARE CITY FIRE COMPANY**



- Dine & Donate Event at Crooked Hammock on 5/17 from 5PM - 9PM,
  - The ladies Auxiliary will be having a Sub Sale on Thursday May 19th.



**DRAGON RUN PARK**

FREE Water Park Party on 8/20/22 from 1:00 to 4:00.

FREE Food and Drink will be provided, bring your own chair and towels. There will be several different size water slides for different aged children.

**ST. PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH**

St Paul's Catholic Church in conjunction with their St. Vincent De Paul Society is here to help our neighbors, who are seeking help. Please call St. Paul Church at (302) 834-4321 and leave a message.

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup> – Mother's Day, Wear a Hat to Church (optional), Rourke Moore, CRE

Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup> – Mark Douyard, CRE, Coffee Hour immediately following

Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> – Mark Douyard, CRE

Sunday, May 29<sup>th</sup> – No Worship Service (Memorial Day Weekend)

Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup> – Day of Pentecost, Tim Arnold, CRE (formerly of Port Penn Presbyterian) with Communion

Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup> – Trinity Sunday, Rourke Moore, CRE

Sunday, June 19<sup>th</sup> – Father's Day, Mark Douyard, CRE

Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup> – Mark Douyard, CRE

Sunday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> – No Worship Service (Independence Day Weekend?)



## Delaware City Events for May- June 2022

Join us in welcoming Library Director Loree Elton to the Delaware City Library! She takes over for long-time Director Alex Monroe. The community wishes Alex the best of luck in the next chapter of her library journey. Stop by the library to welcome Loree to Delaware City! While you're here, check out some of the new services including free Covid-19 tests (while supplies last), checkout of Chromebooks and Wi-Fi hotspots, and the Summer with your Library program for all ages beginning in June. We'll also be unveiling brand new updates to our space soon, too!

Do you want to make a positive impact in the community? Join the library board! Those interested should send an email to [dclibraryboard@lib.de.us](mailto:dclibraryboard@lib.de.us). The library board meets at the beginning and end of each quarter on the third Wednesday of the month.

The Delaware City Library is looking to build our base of Substitute Library Aides! Our subs work on an as-needed basis, performing standard circulation tasks (including check-in/check-out of library materials, shelving, and assisting patrons) and/or help with special projects! Availability for evening hours and weekends is preferred, but all are welcome to apply. For more information, visit <https://delawarecity.lib.de.us/subs>

Library programs are a mix of in-person and virtual. Virtual programs are noted in the program description. For more information call the library at 302-834-4148 or register online at <http://delawarecity.lib.de.us>.

**Art in the Library-** One of our most popular programs for adults! This fine art program changes themes monthly, and takes place on Thursday's at 5:30 PM. Call the library at 302-834-4148 for this month's theme. Registration is required. Adults. 5/19/22, 6/16/22, 7/28/22, 5:30-7 PM. **IN PERSON**

**My Magical Life-** Magician Bradley Barefoot introduces the art of magic to children through stories of his own life trying to learn magic. Enjoy tales of his successes and failures, his first shows, his favorite tricks, and how the library played and continues to play a large role in the creation of his shows. Registration is required. Children and Families. 5/24/22, 4-5 PM. **IN PERSON**

**Ozzie's Awesome Otter Tales-** Story time is fun at Delaware City Library with Ozzie the Otter! Hear tales told by Ms. Cathy and participate in singing, movement, and activities! Performed at Delaware City Library on the last Tuesday of the month at 4 PM. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Children and Families. 5/31/22, 6/28/22, 7/26/22. Registration Required. **IN PERSON**

**Wetlands 101: State and Local Preservation with DNREC-** This lecture will cover everything from what wetlands are, to how they function, and why they are important. Travel through the first state to see these unique ecosystems up-close and personal, as well as gain knowledge on how DNREC's environmental scientist conduct research. Get a glimpse into how to find wetlands on your property and discover user-friendly tools for the future of your local community. The library welcomes DNREC (Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control) representative Olivia McDonald for this program. Registration is requested. Adults. 5/25/22, 6-7 PM. **IN PERSON**

**Trivia Night at Dragon Run Park-** The library partners with Dragon Run for a fun night of trivia for adults! Come to the Dragon Run Park building for a night of summer themed trivia. The winners will receive a special prize pack including books, movies, and other goodies. While you're there, sign up for the summer reading program for a chance to win a \$25 Barnes and Noble gift card. Adults. 6/2/22, 6-7 PM. **IN PERSON**

**Saving the Seas with Swedes-** Come see an exciting outreach program about ocean sustainability. Families will learn about the effects of pollution and climate change on the seas and what they can do to help! We will look at the work of Swedish scientists and activists like Greta Thunberg. This program is filled with hands-on STEAM activities and a take-home recycled craft. Presented by the American Swedish Historical Museum. Registration is required. Children and Families. 6/21/22, 4-5 PM. **IN PERSON**

For additional programs at the library please visit our website at <http://delawarecity.lib.de.us> or like us on Facebook! Questions? Call the library at 302-834-4148.

