

The Town of Hurt

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Welcome, Southern Virginia Multimodal Park! Needless to say, this begins a new chapter in local history, and is fantastic news for Hurt and surrounding communities. Along with The Willows at Runk & Pratt, the SVMP looks to be a game-changer for our entire area, and one that is years overdue. Samet Corporation, owner/developer of the SVMP, plans to begin improving the appearance of our new industrial park over the coming months. To find out more about Samet, visit <http://www.sametcorp.com/>.

Citizen Survey (enclosed): To better serve the community, it is helpful for us to be more aware of your thoughts and feelings regarding matters of local concern. As we look forward to 2017, which also marks a new term and membership for town council, we invite and welcome feedback from citizens and businesses on a variety of topics. Please take a moment to complete the enclosed citizen survey, and return it to the town business office by December 30. (For convenience, include with water or tax payment).

Holiday Office Hours: The holiday season is at hand, and with it, schedule changes. To recognize the significance of Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's, and also to provide our staff with valuable family time and needed respite from their work routines, town offices will observe the following schedule during these three major holiday weeks:

- Thanksgiving: closing at noon on Wednesday, November 23 and re-opening at regular time (8:00 a.m.) on Monday, November 28
- Christmas: closed Friday through Tuesday, December 23 - 27, and re-opening at regular time on Wednesday, December 28
- New Year's: closed Monday, January 2, 2017

Public Hearings scheduled for Tuesday, December 6: During this evening's council meeting (7:00 p.m.), the Planning Commission and Town Council, in joint session, will hold public hearings for each item below, followed by a vote on whether to approve:

- state-mandated changes to zoning ordinances regarding the Board of Zoning Appeals and procedures for the granting of variances
- adding of "arena" to the list of approved uses under a special use permit for property owned by McCormick's Riverside Arena, LLC, and zoned C-1
- the town's updated comprehensive plan for 2016-20

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Holiday Garbage Collection Schedule: This year, Christmas and New Year both fall on Sunday. Thus, **regular collection dates are planned** for the Town of Hurt:

- ❖ Christmas: Friday, December 23
- ❖ New Year's: Friday, December 30

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Thanksgiving – November 24
 National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day – Dec. 7
 Winter Begins – December 21
 Christmas – December 25
 New Year's Day – January 1 (observed Jan. 2)
 Lee-Jackson Day (Virginia) – January 13
 Martin Luther King Day – January 16
 Inauguration Day – January 20
 Valentine's Day -- February 14
 Presidents' Day – February 20
 Daylight Saving Time Begins – March 12

Council Meeting Dates*

December 6
 January 3
 February 7
 March 7

**7:00 p.m. on
 first Tuesdays, unless
 otherwise announced*

Celebrate Holidays Alive – Don't Drink and Drive!
 Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, and Happy New Year from the Hurt Police Department

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- "Christmas is a necessity. There has to be at least one day of the year to remind us that we're here for something else besides ourselves."* – Eric Sevareid
- "A man's best candle is his understanding."* – James Howell
- "The road to success is dotted with many tempting parking spaces."* – Will Rogers

* * * * **Season's Greetings** * * * *

Wishing everyone a blessed, joyous, and safe holiday season

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Mayor & Mrs. Gary Poindexter, Walter and Kim