



Newsletter



Town of Hurt, Virginia
<https://townofhurtva.gov>

Staunton River Bridge Update: As most are aware, VDOT recently reduced the per-vehicle weight limit on the bridge to 8 tons. The most recent information indicates a September date for bids and a closure for replacement to begin in early 2019. As VDOT continues to monitor and inspect the aging structure, this information may change. We will post updates as we know more. Be aware of increased traffic through town and drive carefully.

New Phone System Coming to Town Hall: The long awaited phone system will soon be in place at the town offices. Improvements, such as updated voicemail, mean better response time for citizens and others who need to call the town hall. For technical reasons, a **new phone number** will be necessary and will also save the town money. Details, including the new number, will be published in local newspapers, on the town website, and via social media when it is available for use. Please note there will be a transition time when both the new and the old numbers will be working simultaneously to help us all adjust to the change. We appreciate your patience as we work to provide you with enhanced services.

Citizen Survey: Hurt residents are asked to complete the survey (bright green paper) enclosed with this newsletter. We appreciate your ideas and your input as we plan for this calendar year, the fiscal year 2018-19, and the town's future.

Wayside Park Improvements: Pittsylvania County Parks & Recreation Director Mark Moore informed Council at its February 6 meeting of the county's plan to renovate Pittsylvania Wayside Park. Phase One of their proposal, once approved by the Board of Supervisors, is scheduled to begin in the next several months. Hurt residents who remember the park during its prime, as well as younger folks, appreciate the county's work on this project. Once again, citizens of our area will have a nice venue for occasions from weddings to ball games to family reunions to company picnics.

Water Meter Maintenance/Disclaimer: During January's cold spell, we received several reports of no water due to frozen meters and/or leaks. If you have such an issue with your meter, contact public works at 434-546-5435. The meters as well as roadside lines are town property. Lines from the meter to an individual's house are the property of the homeowner. Therefore, the town is not responsible for work done to the meters or roadside lines by anyone other than authorized town personnel. Refer to the town website at <https://townofhurtva.gov/public-works/> for more information.

Website Updates: The town website is periodically updated and expanded to meet the needs of our town as well as visitors, both prospective residents and businesses. We are continually working to build the site into a rich, user-friendly information resource.

Planning Commission: Mrs. Gladys Garvin decided not to seek another term on the Planning and Zoning Commission. We appreciate her willingness to serve and will miss her. Mr. Jeff Arthur has been appointed to fill her seat. We look forward to working with him as he begins a four year term of service to the town.

Annual 5K Run/Walk: Hurt Volunteer Fire Department has announced its 3rd annual 5K event on May 26. If you would like to help with or participate in this worthy cause, please contact Jason Lovelace at 434-941-5296.

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Daylight Saving (Turn Clocks Up) – March 11
 Vernal Equinox (Spring Begins) – March 20
 Easter – April 1
 Jefferson’s Birthday – April 13
 Tax Day – April 17
 Earth Day – April 22
 National Day of Prayer – May 3
 Mother’s Day – May 13
 Memorial Day -- May 28

Council Meeting Dates*

March 6
 April 3
 May 1
 June 5

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

**VA Department of Forestry
 Burning Law In Effect February 15 – April 30
 No Outdoor Burning Except 4:00 P.M. to Midnight**

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“Success is a project that’s always under construction.” -- Pat Summitt

*“Take action! An inch of movement will bring you closer to your goals than a mile of intention.” --
 Dr. Steve Maraboli*

*“The thing about living in a small town, even when you don’t know what you’re doing,
 somebody else does.” -- Auntie Acid*