



The Town of Newton

# The Newton News



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## FROM THE DESK OF THE TOWN MANAGER

I have recently entered my 15th year as your Town Manager, and I must say I continue to be blessed to lead such a fine organization and community. We have many exciting updates to talk about, so let's get down to business.

The Town concluded its best season ever at the **Newton Town Pool**. Hopefully, you took advantage of the free membership afforded residents of the Town. If not, make sure you mark your calendars for the Summer 2023 season!

We are working collaboratively with our friends from Fairleigh Dickinson University on the **nation's first Entrepreneur Zone (Ezone)** in the Town of Newton! Keep an eye out on social media and our website as we look to expand investment opportunities and new business growth in our community.

We have placed an order for our **new 20-passenger shuttle bus** which will be used predominantly for transporting our senior citizens around the Town. Although supply chain issues have been a challenge, we are confident we will make progress in this regard.

The beautification of our downtown continues with the **Neighborhood Preservation Program**. The annual \$150,000 grant program has enabled us to purchase beautiful decorative planters which have been placed in the downtown. Additionally, we are purchasing a sound system which will allow for music, advertisements, and public service announcements. Stay tuned!

The Town has invested in a **new dog park** at the Park & Ride. Progress updates will be posted on social media and the Town website.

The Land Use Board has approved our **first cannabis retailer** in Newton, which will be located at the old Carpet Gallery building on Route 206. The applicant must first receive licensing approval from the State of NJ.

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# FROM THE DESK OF THE TOWN MANAGER

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As of this writing (subject to change), we eagerly anticipate the grand opening of the new **Starbucks, Chipotle, and Panera Bread**. Get your apps ready! Save me a cold brew with almond milk please!

Work continues on the conversion of the old Tuscany Bistro Restaurant to the **new Sizzle Argentinian BBQ restaurant**. Check out the great progress they are making on a daily basis.

Finally, please remember to **support our local businesses, big and small** – they are the engine which drives the economy. We encourage those with a passion for retail to consider opening up shop in Newton, especially in the downtown area. Remember: The key to managing residential property taxes in NJ is the pursuit of quality commercial ratables, and our staff is committed to being business and customer-friendly so individuals and companies are comfortable investing their capital in Newton's commercial areas.

Our Town Council, staff, professionals, and volunteers take great pride in their efforts to make Newton the special place it is and are to be commended. **Together we will continue to make a difference**. Thank you once again for reading our publication and please accept my best wishes to you and yours for good health and happiness during the beautiful fall season and upcoming holidays. 2022 has been a continuation of an incredibly challenging time for all of us and I pray for a 2023 that will be full of peace and prosperity.

Yours in Service,

*Thomas S. Russo, Jr.*, MPA, CPM

Town Manager

# DATES OF INTEREST

- Fall Festival .....October 9 at 11:00am
- Fall Decorating Contest ..... October 21
- Halloween Parade .....October 31
- Flags of Honor .....November 5 at 11:00am
- Fall Leaf & Brush Pickup..... October 31 through December 2
- General Election Day ..... November 8  
*Town Hall Closed*
- Veterans' Day .....November 11  
*Town Hall Closed*
- Thanksgiving Holiday .....November 24 & November 25  
*Town Hall Closed*
- Holiday Parade .....November 26
- Holiday Lights Contest.....November 30
- Tree Lighting.....December 2 at 5:00pm
- Christmas Holiday ..... December 23 & 26  
*Town Hall Closed*

## THE 2022 NEWTON TOWN COUNCIL



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*The Newton News* is printed and distributed twice a year to keep all residents informed of the many programs and services offered by the Town. Please take a few moments to update your calendars on upcoming events and keep this edition of our newsletter handy for convenient reference in the future. For more timely updates, please visit our Town website at **www.newtontownhall.com**.

**Editors - Kat Alcock & Thomas S. Russo, Jr.**

# REMINDERS FROM THE CLERK'S OFFICE

## THE NOVEMBER GENERAL ELECTION

Newton's Municipal Election will be part of the November General Election and there are three (3) Councilmember seats at stake. The Election will be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2022.



There will be **THREE** ways to vote this November.

1. **Vote early in person** from Saturday, October 29 thru Sunday, November 6 at one of three Early Vote Centers in the county (for EV Center locations and polling hours visit [www.sussexcountyclerk.org/election](http://www.sussexcountyclerk.org/election)).
2. **Vote early by mail-in ballot;** the last day to request a mail-in ballot for the General Election is Tuesday, November 1. After November 1, voters can apply in person to vote a paper ballot at the Sussex County Clerk's Office up through Monday, November 7 before 3PM.
3. **Vote on Election Day,** in person using a voting machine at your assigned polling place. Election Day polls open from 6AM to 8PM.

### \*\*\* POLLING PLACES \*\*\*

#1 & #2	..... Newton Fire House No. 1	..... 22 Mill St.
#3 & #6	..... United Methodist Church	..... 111 Ryerson Ave.
#4	..... Newton First Aid Squad Building	..... 68 Sussex St.
#5	..... Newton Municipal Building	..... 39 Trinity St.

## RECENT ORDINANCES

The Newton Town Council recently adopted several ordinances of interest:

**Ordinance 2022-2** updating the water/sewer connection fees.

**Ordinance 2022-8** regarding snow and ice removal.

**Ordinance 2022-11** updating the parking fees in the Town.

**Ordinance 2022-17** allowing for BYOB for restaurants with a Sidewalk Café Permit.

To review Town ordinances that have recently been adopted visit our website at [www.newtontownhall.com/ordinances](http://www.newtontownhall.com/ordinances).

## PET LICENSING

Newton requires all dogs & cats residing in Town to be licensed. The license renewal process will take place January 1-31, 2023. The State of New Jersey mandates for renewal current rabies vaccinations cannot expire before November 1 of the current license year (2023).

Newton will host a free rabies on Saturday, November 19, 2022 at the Newton Public Works Garage, 117 Moran Street from 10AM to Noon. You may also get your pet microchipped for a donation of \$20. Supplies are limited so it will be on a first come/first served basis.

For a list of free rabies clinics in Sussex County please visit [www.newtontownhall.com/freerabies](http://www.newtontownhall.com/freerabies).

The Municipal Clerk's Office is open to the public Monday through Friday from 9AM to 4PM.

*\*Late fee is \$5.00 each month per animal beginning 2/1/23.\**

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## FINANCE NEWS

**4th QUARTER TAX REMINDER:** The 4th quarter property taxes are due on November 1, 2022. Payments must be received by 4PM on Thursday, November 10. Payments received after this date will be considered delinquent and interest will be charged back to November 1 in accordance with R.S. 54:4-67.

**YEAR END PENALTY FOR DELINQUENT TAXES:** The Town of Newton imposes a 6% year-end penalty on all accounts in which the delinquencies exceed \$10,000.00. At the end of the year the 6% is added to the total delinquency and carried forward to the next year. Interest is then charged in accordance with R.S. 54:4-67.

**ONLINE PAYMENTS:** Tax and utility bills may be paid online. Go to [www.newtontownhall.com](http://www.newtontownhall.com), click the "Pay Online" link on the homepage. A convenience fee of \$1.50 is applied for ACH (e-check) payments and a 2.65% (min. \$3.00) fee for credit card payments.

## MUNICIPAL COURT

**Do you have a court date?** Newton Municipal Court sessions are still being conducted virtually. If you have been noticed to appear before court, please contact us at least seven (7) days before your scheduled hearing to provide your current email address and phone number. A link and alternative dial-in option will then be emailed to you the Friday prior to your court date. If you require an interpreter, please advise the Court and arrangements will be made to accommodate the need. As always, we are committed to delivering exceptional customer service and strive to provide a satisfying court experience to all. Should you have any questions or require assistance, the Court may be reached at (973) 383-3521 ext. 205 or via email at [katherine.quinn@njcourts.gov](mailto:katherine.quinn@njcourts.gov) or [michelle.estremera@njcourts.gov](mailto:michelle.estremera@njcourts.gov)

¿No habla inglés? Si usted ha sido citado para comparecer ante el Tribunal Municipal de la ciudad de Newton y necesita interprete, favor de comunicarse con nuestra oficina para organizar un intérprete durante su sesión. Igualmente las sesiones son conducidas virtualmente; favor de llamar a nuestra oficina y proveer su número telefónico e correo electrónico para poder contactarlo. Un enlace será enviado por correo electrónico el viernes antes de su cita con la Corte. Como siempre, estamos comprometidos a brindar un servicio al cliente excepcional y nos esforzamos por brindar una experiencia judicial satisfactoria a todos. Si tiene alguna pregunta o necesita ayuda, puede comunicarse con la Corte al (973) 383-3521 ext. 205 y por correo electrónico a [michelle.estremera@njcourts.gov](mailto:michelle.estremera@njcourts.gov)



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## FROM THE POLICE DESK . . .



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Law Enforcement Officers are always most effective when they partner with the public they serve. To build and maintain this partnership, the Newton Police Department is dedicated to information sharing and community outreach.

Please visit our website and our social media sites for frequently updated information about our latest activities, initiatives, and services. We publish our daily activity to our website, mapped by location within Town. Community engagement is a key element of successful public safety.

Information sharing should also go both directions. We ask everyone to please help us help you. Always lock your doors, remain vigilant and call the Police Department if you see anything suspicious or have any concerns. You can also anonymously provide information about criminal activity through our website or via links on social media. However, in an emergency or to report a crime in progress, always call 9-1-1.

### Have you signed up yet?

Smart911 is a free service that we have implemented for improved handling of emergency 9-1-1 calls. Please visit <http://newtonpolice.org/safetylink/> to create a safety profile. Residents and business owners can create a profile for their family members and any facilities to provide responders with key lifesaving information during an emergency. The Smart911 system also provides improved technology with highly accurate caller location data and the ability to initiate communications via text message with mobile callers.



The Smart911 software allows anyone to create a safety profile for free that includes information such as allergies or pre-existing medical conditions for all members of the household. Precise location data can also be stored to help ensure that responders are sent to the right location with the right information. Schools, medical facilities, apartment complexes, and other facilities in Newton can also create a facility profile to provide responders with information that could be important in an emergency. Floorplans, hazardous material information, landline phone locations, AED locations, and other vital information can be readily available and used to respond to emergencies more effectively.

Once again, we're here to help keep the Town of Newton safe and we are most successful with your assistance. So please call or stop in at the Newton Police Department if we can be of any assistance to you. We also hope to see you at one of our upcoming "Coffee With a Cop" events; it's a great opportunity to get to know your hometown Officers in a relaxed, informal setting.

## PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

The Code Enforcement Department works in partnership with the community to promote and maintain a safe and desirable living and working environment within the Town of Newton.

Property Maintenance is responsible for overseeing the general exterior home maintenance components such as roof coverings and drainage, flashing and gutters, siding condition and cleanliness, windows and doors, protective treatment, chimneys, porches, decks, balconies, and insect and rodent infestation. Additionally, the general exterior property maintenance areas such as sanitation, debris, garbage, weeds, overgrown grass and vegetation, obnoxious growth, sidewalks and driveways, detached garages, fences, walls, and unregistered and/or inoperable motor vehicle storage are subject to inspection. All property maintenance inspections are conducted from public property or the public right of way.

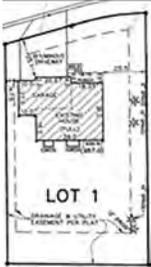
Residents are reminded they are responsible for the maintenance and repair of any sidewalks in front of their property and the maintenance of any trees on their property. Permits for the removal of a tree or portion thereof and for sidewalk construction and removal are available online at [www.newtontownhall.com](http://www.newtontownhall.com) or at the DPW Garage by appointment.

Residents are also reminded they must adhere to all trash and waste disposal requirements and are prohibited from placing/discarding furniture such as mattresses, chairs, desks, tables, and sofas, etc. at the curbside for extended periods of time. Residents should also refrain from leaving items outside of or on the ground near any of clothing donation bins located throughout the Town.

# ZONING CORNER

The Town of Newton Zoning Officer would like to remind residents zoning permits are required for fences & retaining walls, sheds, pools (including blue temporary), decks, emergency standby generators (§ 320-34), ADA ramps, additions, alterations, temporary storage container (P.O.D.), and chicken coops (§ 320-28.J).

## DID YOU KNOW?



**SURVEY:**  
A property survey must be submitted along with most Zoning Permit Applications. For more details, see §320-23.E(2) of the Code Book.



**PARKING:**  
Per Ordinance 2020-19, the parking of vehicles on any area other than driveways is prohibited throughout the Town of Newton.



**APPOINTMENTS:**  
For the most efficient use of your time and ours, appointments are recommended.



**THINKING OF EXPANDING YOUR DRIVEWAY?**  
Per §320-23.E(4) the total residential area shall not exceed 50% of the dwelling footprint, plus a twelve-foot wide driveway sufficient to connect to the municipal right-of-way, or the minimum parking area which is required in order to meet the parking requirements of § 320-23, whichever is larger. (Added 9-16-2020 by Ord. No. 2020-19)

For more information on zoning compliance and links to our forms, visit our website at [www.newtontownhall.com/zoning](http://www.newtontownhall.com/zoning). The Town of Newton Zoning Officer can be reached at 973-383-3521 ext. 227.

# RECREATION

## TOWN OF NEWTON 4TH ANNUAL FLAGS OF HONOR:

In honor of Veterans Day, the Town of Newton will once again sponsor the **Flags of Honor**, a display of flags on the lawn of the Town of Newton Municipal Building, located at 39 Trinity Street, Newton. The American Flags will recognize and show honor to the Veterans who have dedicated themselves to the protection of our freedom. Flags will be on display throughout the month of November.

**Adopt A Flag to dedicate in honor or in memory of your Special Veteran for \$30!** Your donation will benefit Community Hope's - Hope for Veterans Program which ensures a safe haven for homeless and disabled Veterans every day. Mail or deliver your donation, with check made payable to "Community Hope, Inc." to 39 Trinity Street, Newton, NJ 07860 c/o Flags of Honor. Please include the name of the honoree (also specify if your donation is in honor or in memory of your special Veteran) with your donation.

**Participants and Honorees need not reside in Newton and the deadline is October 17, 2022. A dedication Ceremony will take place Saturday, November 5, 11AM**, on the front lawn of the Newton Municipal Building. All honorees, families, and residents are welcome to attend. Complimentary refreshments will be served following the ceremony. This event is rain or shine.



# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



## 7TH ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL AND CAR SHOW – October 9th 11 AM – 4 PM

This free community event will take place on Spring Street with various Vendors and Crafts. The David Cedeno Orchestra will be performing at Spring/Moran. There is a hay bale maze for the kids, a pie contest and in Municipal Lot #4, a DJ will be playing all the hits from the 50's and 60's. Along with the cars on display; there is a 50's costume contest at 1:30PM and trophy's will be awarded at 2:30PM. Open to all ages!

## FALL DECORATING CONTEST – September 23rd – October 21st

Calling all those who love Fall decorating! Submit your exterior Fall display on our FB or IG site and you could win a prize. Open to all properties, simply post on our Facebook or Instagram page with the hashtag #NewtonFallDecoratingContest and you may win a prize! Deadline to enter is October 21. \*Hashtag must be used to qualify.

## HALLOWEEN PARADE – October 31st

This tradition is sponsored by the Newton Fire Department. There is a costume parade on Spring Street that leads contestants to the Municipal Lot #4 on Trinity Street where the members of the Newton Fire Department will award cash prizes to the costume winners! Categories include Senior, Group and Dog among kids of all ages! But, you must be in costume to qualify!



## HOLIDAY PARADE – November 26th

Line up on Spring Street to watch the festivities. This parade steps off promptly at 10AM and marches down Spring Street with lights, sounds and amazement! You will see dancing, singing, marching, floats, animals and so much more! And of course, the Big Guy – who is escorted by the Newton Fire Department. Join in the fun and enter the float contest. The theme for 2022 is "Star Spangled Christmas". Think traditional, American style and you are on the right track! Hope to see you there!

## HOLIDAY LIGHTS CONTEST – November 1st - November 30th

Submit your house or business address to be judged by our Senior Citizens on December 3. You could win a cool prize or trophy! Open to all Town of Newton properties. Deadline to enter is November 30.



## TOWN HALL TREE LIGHTING – December 2nd at 5pm

Come join in the countdown as our holiday tree is lit up with thousands of holiday lights. There will be a DJ and refreshments as well as Santa himself being delivered by a Fire Truck. Write your letter to Santa and place in our special mailbox. This event is rain or shine and fun for all ages!



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# WAYNE'S WORLD (OF HISTORY)

## The George Walker Building

By: Wayne T. McCabe, Newton Town Historian

This imposing wood frame Renaissance Revival style commercial building was constructed by George Walker in 1900 at 178 – 182 Spring Street. The building is located at the intersection of Spring Street and Adams Street.

Originally, the first floor had two commercial retail areas, with four apartments on both the second and third floors. The first retail occupant of the left side (182 Spring Street) was a flour and feed store. The first occupant of the corner commercial area (178 Spring Street) was a grocery store. No. 180 Spring Street was the address for the residences on the second and third floors of the building. The residents entered the building through a doorway located in the middle of the front of the building.

In 1923, George Gelber, proprietor of the American Stores Company, added a plate glass window front to the structure and a new entrance. The change of use to a grocery store necessitated the combination of the two commercial areas into a single retail area. At some point prior to the 1970s, all of the apartments on the second and thirds floors were removed, leaving only a large open area on each floor.

For approximately the four decades, The Style Shop, a men's clothing store, operated on the first floor of the building. Joseph Tolerico, and later his son Joe, were the proprietors of the clothing store.

The current owners of the building undertook a major rehabilitation of the structure four years ago. They re-established the eight apartments on the upper floors and re-created the two separate commercial areas on the ground floor. They also rehabilitated the first-floor façade to more closely appear as it looked when the building was first built.

### CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

A Certificate of Compliance inspection and approval is required prior to the re-occupancy or continued occupancy by means of re-rental or re-sale of all one- and two-family residential dwellings or dwelling units, located in the Town of Newton.

APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE INSPECTIONS CAN BE DOWNLOADED ON OUR WEBSITE AT [newtontownhall.com/coc](http://newtontownhall.com/coc).

## WATER & SEWER DEPARTMENT

**Is your toilet running?** Believe it or not, the most common reason for high water usage is from toilets that continue to run or do not fill correctly. If you notice this, get them fixed immediately to avoid a high bill. Another common reason for high water usage is forgetting to turn off the outside hose bib. Please be sure to shut it down securely.

If you plan to go away, please check all faucets and toilets before leaving. If possible, please shut the water off at the valve inside the home in order to avoid any surprises upon return. **Keep your eye out for changes regarding due dates for water bills.**

## FIRST AID SQUAD

Established in 1957, the **Newton Volunteer First Aid and Rescue Squad (NFAS)** is a 100% volunteer agency that answers the 911 medical emergencies in the Town of Newton and surrounding communities. We are proud to serve you as Sussex County's busiest, fastest, and most progressive volunteer First Aid Squad!

We have positions for community members of all backgrounds - both on and off the ambulance! If you are interested in helping NFAS continue to be Sussex County's busiest, fastest, and most progressive EMS agency, visit us at <http://newtonfirstaidsquad.org> or call us at 973-383-3377 to learn more.



# FIRE DEPARTMENT



Newton Fire Department would like to remind everyone to be sure to check the batteries on your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. We would also like to remind people to stay away from any downed utility lines.

Founded in 1836, the Newton Fire Department is one of the oldest continually operating fire departments in the United States. In addition to responding to emergencies with superior fire protection, the Fire Department also gives back to the community it serves.

If interested in joining our ranks or want to donate, please visit us at [www.newtonfiredepartment.org/](http://www.newtonfiredepartment.org/).

Anthony M. Razzano, *Chief of Department*

## FIRE MUSEUM

Members of the Newton Fire Department have been busy continuing the renovation project at the Fire Museum. We are currently working on remediating moisture infiltration issues in the rear of the first floor and installing new drainage. Once completed, a new HVAC system and electrical wiring will be installed. The museum thanks its donors and supporters for continuing to make progress at the museum possible. Museum volunteers and the Town of Newton also continue seeking grant opportunities which will continue to move us closer to our shared goal of finishing the restoration of the building, re-opening the museum, and continuing our contributions to the long-term success and vitality of Newton's downtown.

## WINTER REQUIREMENTS

**Parking Regulations:** When snow accumulates and covers any public street, road, or parking lot, vehicles are not allowed to be parked on those streets or in those parking lots until the Public Works Department has had sufficient time to plow the snow. Vehicles parked illegally on snow-covered streets or in parking lots will be ticketed and/or towed. In the interest of public safety, Newton residents are asked to abide by the above regulations following snowstorms.

**Chapter 307-49 of the Code of the Town of Newton** prohibits the parking of vehicles on any street within the Town of Newton during the hours of 4AM and 6AM. To review the code of the Town of Newton please visit our website at [www.newtontownhall.com/municipalcode](http://www.newtontownhall.com/municipalcode). For a complete listing of Schedules see Chapter 307, Vehicles and Traffic, Article XI, Schedules.

**Sidewalks:** Snow and ice must be removed from sidewalks within 12 hours of daylight after snow has fallen and/or ice has formed. If removing ice is impracticable, sand, grit, or ice melting material must be down within 12 hours of daylight after the formation of ice. If a building is occupied by more than one family or business unit, the tenant or occupant of the first floor shall be required to remove all snow and ice.

**Hydrants:** The owner, occupant or tenant of premises abutting or bordering upon any street in the Town shall remove all snow and ice from the abutting sidewalks and fire hydrants of such street or, in the event of ice which may be so frozen as to make removal impracticable, shall cause the same to be thoroughly covered with sand, ice melting materials, or such other suitable grit, within 12 hours of daylight after the same shall fall or be formed thereon.

The owner, occupant or tenant of premises used by the public or business customers shall remove all snow and ice from sidewalks, fire hydrants, street, and parking areas used by the public in the transaction of business and, in the event of ice which may be so frozen as to make removal impracticable, shall cause the same to be thoroughly covered with sand, ice melting material, or suitable grit, within 12 hours of daylight after the same shall fall or be formed thereon.

In case a building is occupied by more than one family or business unit, the tenant or occupant of the first floor shall be required to remove all snow and ice.

**Any complaints regarding this matter should be referred to the Newton Police Department at 973-383-2525.**



# STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

## 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, detergents, pet waste, grass clippings: you name it and it ends up in our water.

Stormwater pollution is one of New Jersey'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 cleanup costs.

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



### LIMIT YOUR USE OF FERTILIZERS AND 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 or yard 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.

### KEEP POLLUTION OUT OF STORM DRAINS

- Recycle used motor oil.
- Municipalities and many other public agencies are required to mark certain storm drain inlets with messages reminding people that storm drains are connected to local bodies of water.
- Do not let sewage or other wastes flow into a stormwater system.
- Clean and plentiful water is important to our families, our environment, our economy and our quality of life. Did you know that animal waste from pets can pollute our waters? When left on the ground, pet waste is washed by rain and melting snow and ice into storm drains that carry it to our rivers, lakes, bays, the ocean and drinking water. Animal waste contains a high concentration of nutrients as well as bacteria and disease-causing microorganisms that can cause problems.

### PROPERLY USE AND DISPOSE OF HAZARDOUS PRODUCTS

Hazardous products include some household or commercial cleaning products, lawn and 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 bodies of water and the water is not treated.
- If you have hazardous products in your home or workplace, make sure you store or dispose of them properly. Read the label for guidance.
- Use natural or less toxic alternatives when possible.

### CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR PET

- Follow the Town of Newton pet-waste rules.
- Pick up and properly dispose of pet waste dropped on public or people's property.
- Use newspaper, bags or pooper-scoopers to pick up wastes.
- Dispose of the unwrapped pet waste in a toilet.
- Never discard pet waste in a storm drain.

### DON'T LITTER

- Place litter in trash receptacles.
- Recycle. Recycle. Recycle.

### DISPOSE OF YARD WASTE PROPERLY

- Participate in community cleanups.
- 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.

## RECYCLING NEWS

The Town of Newton conducts monthly curbside collection of commingled recycling and newspaper. As a reminder, containers placed curbside can be **no larger than 35 gallons** and must be at the curb no later than 7AM on your designated pick-up day. **Recyclables must be rinsed** before placing at curbside, failure to do so will result in your recyclables not being picked up.

Recycling center hours are Tuesday & Thursday 8AM to 4PM and Saturdays 8AM to 1PM. Brush leaves and grass clippings are no longer accepted at the Recycling Center.

# 2023 RECYCLING SCHEDULE

Listed below are the recycling dates for single family homes for January 2023 through December 2023. Recyclables should be placed at the curbside no later than 7AM. **For questions regarding your collection schedule, please call 973-383-4160.**

## ZONE 1

*January 3, February 7, March 7, April 4, May 2, June 6, \*July 5, August 1, September 5, October 3, November 7, December 5*

Academy Street, Ashford Street, Babbit Court, Center Street, Cherry Street, Church Street, Clarkson Street, Clinton Street, Division Street, Douma Court, Douma Drive, Dunn Place, Emmons Avenue, Ferndale Avenue, Foster Street, Franklin Street, Harrison Street, High Street, Hillside Avenue, Hillside Terrace, Lake Avenue, Liberty Street, Linwood Annex, Linwood Avenue, Main Street (Spring to Foster), Mill Street, North Park Drive, Overlook Road, Park Avenue, Park Place, Shady Lane, Slate Hill Road, South Park Drive, Summit Avenue, Swartswood Road, Thompson Street, Valley View Court, Water Street, West End Avenue, William Street, \*Change due to Fourth of July Holiday

## ZONE 2

*January 10, February 14, March 14, April 11, May 9, June 13, July 11, August 8, September 12, October 10, November 14, December 12*

Birch Drive, Clive Place, Dogwood Drive, Gardner Avenue, Grand Avenue, Hicks Avenue, Kory Court, Kory Road, Jersey Place, Lawnwood Annex, Layne Place, Lincoln Place, Linmor Avenue, Mason Avenue, Merriam Avenue, Orchard Street, Pine Street, Prospect Street, Robin Place, Smith Street, Sparta Avenue, Sussex Street, Trenton Court, Trenton Place, York Road

## ZONE 3

*January 17, February 21, March 21, April 18, May 16, June 20, July 18, August 15, September 19, October 17, November 21, December 19*

Adams Street, Barrett Avenue, Barry Lane, Buckingham Court, Carriage Lane, Cassidy Place, Cedar Street, Condit Street, Donald Avenue, Elm Street, Fairview Avenue, Halsted Street, Jefferson Street, Jimland Terrace, Lawnwood Avenue, Madison Street, Main Street (Ryerson to Woodside), Maple Avenue, Nelson Street, Paterson Avenue, Paterson Place, Plainfield Avenue, Ridgeview Road, Ridgewood Avenue, Ryerson Avenue, Spring Street, Stratford Lane, Walker Street, Washington Street, West Nelson Street, Windsor Drive, Woodridge Court, Woodside Avenue

## ZONE 4

*January 24, February 28, March 28, April 25, May 23, June 27, July 25, August 22, September 26, October 24, November 28, December 26*

Diller Avenue, East Clinton Street, East Stuart Street, Hamilton Street, Hampton Street, Howard Street, Kelsey Avenue, Lower Spring Street, Moran Street, Mt. View Street, New Hampshire Street, Oak Street, Palmer Street, Railroad Avenue, Stuart Street, Townsend Street, Trinity Street, Union Place

# BRUSH AND LEAF PICKUP

## \*\*PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF THE SCHEDULE FOR PICKUP\*\*

The Town of Newton will once again combine a brush pick up with the annual leaf collection program in November.

Please put the bags and brush out at the curb line and not in the street. This will avoid interference with traffic and possible breakage of the bags. Tree limbs must be smaller than 4 inches in diameter (no exceptions). The cleanup is intended for residents to clear away naturally occurring fallen brush and light pruning. Property owners are responsible for felled trees.

The leaves and brush will be taken to the Sussex County Municipal Utilities Authority (SCMUA) in Lafayette for disposal. SCMUA will only accept leaves in biodegradable bags. The bags can be purchased at home improvement stores. Residents may take leaves/brush to SCMUA.



## LEAF ONLY WEEKLY PICKUP SCHEDULE

Townwide Collection will begin  
Monday, May 1st and  
end on Friday June 2nd.

## BRUSH AND LEAF WEEKLY PICKUP SCHEDULE

Townwide Collection will begin on  
Monday, October 31st and  
end on Friday, December 2nd.



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## STAFF DIRECTORY

The staff of the Town of Newton is here to assist the public whenever possible. Please use the following list of extensions when dialing 973-383-3521 to contact a municipal staff member or department.

- 220..... Public Works
- 224..... Manager's Office
- 225..... Tax Assessor
- 227..... Planning/Zoning
- 231..... Recreation
- 232..... Municipal Clerk
- 233..... Treasurer
- 234..... Community Development
- 236..... Deputy Court Administrator
- 239..... Tax Collector
- 240..... Water/Sewer Collector
- 241..... Finance Officer/CFO
- 242 ..... Court Administrator
- 254..... Human Resources
- 255 ..... Registrar
- 256..... Code Enforcement

## OTHER NUMBERS

- Construction  
(Hardyston Township)..... 973-823-7020
- Fire Marshal (Sussex County)..... 973-579-0380
- Recycling Center..... 973-383-1521
- Sewer Treatment Plant..... 973-383-2090
- Police Department  
(Non-emergency)..... 973-383-2525

## RECYCLING *continued from page 13*

### CHRISTMAS TREE DISPOSAL

The Department of Public Works crew will be picking up Christmas trees curbside beginning **December 27, 2022** through **January 27, 2023**. All trees must be free of bases, lights, and ornaments.

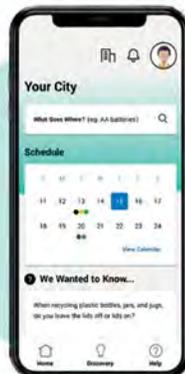


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(973) 383-4787



[info@centerforprevention.org](mailto:info@centerforprevention.org)

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Why is alcohol bad for me?

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