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May Community Happenings

Visit the new Community Calendar on the City website (<http://cityofmilford.com/calendar.aspx?CID=14>), to view the latest community events and public meetings. If your organization is hosting a public event and you'd like it included on the calendar, submit your event under the How Do I... drop down on the website.

City Council Meetings:

- **Monday, May 2, 7pm:** City Council Annual Organizational Meeting
- **Monday, May 9, 6pm:** City Council Meeting
- **Monday, May 16, 5:30pm:** Budget Workshop
- **Wednesday, May 18, 5:30pm:** Budget Workshop
- **Thursday, May 19, 5:30pm:** Budget Workshop
- **Monday, May 23, 6pm:** City Council Meeting

County Plaque Unveiling

The City of Milford and Downtown Milford, Inc. (DMI) will unveil a new #photostop in the heart of Downtown Milford – the Mispillion River, which splits the city into two counties – Kent and Sussex – on Saturday, May 21 at 11am. The public is invited to witness the unveiling.

The new photo opportunity will be designated by two 60" plaques mounted to the brick flower planters in front of the Santa House/North Pole Creamery (1 S. Walnut St.). In time, the new Walnut St. bridge deck design will also incorporate a county line designation.

Funding for the signs was provided to DMI by WSFS Bank.

Parks & Rec Summer Fun Club

Registration opens May 1. June 27-July 1, July 5-9, July 11-15, July 18-22, July 25-29, and August 1-5. 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Location: Mispillion Elementary (Mon.-Thurs.) and Parks and Rec Office (Fri.). Cost: \$150 for week 1, 3, 4, 5, and 6; \$125 for week 2 (short week due to July 4 holiday). Call 302-422-1104 for questions.

2022 Comprehensive Plan Amendment Open House

The City of Milford will host an Open House on Wednesday, May 4, 2022, from 6-8pm at the Public Works Facility (180 Vickers Drive) to discuss a requested change to the Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use. The property owner of approximately 110 acres of undeveloped land east of State Route 1 requested a change from Low Density Residential to Commercial.

The applicant, City staff and representatives from various State agencies will be available during the two-hour period to discuss the status of development in the Southeast Neighborhood and provide information related to the proposed change in future land use designation.

City of Milford Comprehensive Plan amendment requests are compiled annually for Planning Commission and City Council consideration, which is done through a public hearing process. Ordinances for the 2022 Comprehensive Plan Amendment requests will be reviewed during public hearings, which will be held at City Hall, 201 S. Walnut St., on the following dates:

Tuesday, May 17: Planning Commission, 7pm

Monday, May 23: City Council, 7pm

Senior Tax Credit

Those who meet the Senior Tax Credit requirements found on the City's website (<http://cityofmilford.com/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=986>) should file a Property Tax Exemption Application with the City of Milford by Wednesday, June 1.

Public Utility Education

Electric Rates

As a residential property owner in the City of Milford Electric Utility service area, your rates can be found on the City website - Customer Service - Utility Payments, Bills, Rates and More.

The cost of producing and transmitting electricity from the generation source to the City's interconnection is market-driven and subject to regulatory costs. In addition to wholesale power costs, the City's distribution costs include capital investment and financing costs, maintenance of substations, distribution lines, service connections, metering, and technology, as well as billing and customer service operating costs.

The majority of the electric energy the City distributes to its more than 6,800 residential service customers is purchased at wholesale rates from the Delaware Municipal Electric Corporation (DEMEC), a municipal joint action agency owned and managed locally by eight public power cities and towns in Delaware, including Milford. DEMEC supplies these requirements from a combination of market sources and a portfolio of owned generation assets, including utility scale solar and wind generation facilities through participation in the nation's largest interconnected electric grid, PJM, a regional transmission organization.

Milford's residential electricity rates generally change each year, on or about the start of the new annual fiscal cycle. Review the chart below to see the slight monthly facilities charge increase, but also the per kWh charge decreases effective July 1, 2022. These rates are effective year-round and do not change seasonally. Seasonal electric rates were eliminated from the rate structure more than three years ago.

Rates	Current Year	Effective 7/2/22
Monthly Facilities Charge	\$20.00	\$21.00
Block 1 (0-2,5000 kWh)	0.10456/kWh	0.10353/kWh
Block 2 (excess)	0.11656/kWh	0.11553/kWh

If you have any questions concerning your City of Milford utility bill, please contact Customer Service at 302-422-6616.

Employee Spotlight

Faith Argo

Accounts Payable Coordinator

1. How long have you worked for the City of Milford? 20 years
2. Have you always worked in this role? Yes
3. What is your favorite thing about working for the City? Working with my co-workers and appreciating all the friendships I have made over the years.
4. What do you enjoy doing in your free time? Spending time with my family, especially my nieces & nephew, shopping, gardening & watching movies.



Faith is our anchor in the Finance Department. She does a fantastic job helping employees and serving the City's vendors, but that's just the beginning. She greets everyone with a smile, treats people with the professional kindness and respect they deserve, and puts the City first every day. The City is in good hands with people like Faith fulfilling our mission, and I'm personally spoiled to have Faith in Finance.

- Lou Vitola, Finance Director

Council Spotlight

Dan Marabello

Ward 1 Councilmember

1. How long have you been a member of the City Council? 3 years
2. What previous city roles have you held? Mayor, board member and treasurer of Downtown Milford, Inc.
3. What is your favorite thing about being a Councilmember? My favorite thing about being a Councilmember is having the opportunity and honor in helping to make sound short and long term decisions that will make Milford the best city that it can be for all of our citizens.
4. What is your full time job? Retired but actively volunteering in various organizations including my homeowners association and our local live community theater.
5. What do you enjoy doing in your free time? I enjoy reading, gardening, fixing and making things in my workshop, and socializing with my family and good friends as often as possible.

