



January 2020



Word from Wyoming

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Solicitation of Candidates for the Wyoming Town Council Municipal Election to be held Saturday, February 29, 2020

Positions Open: Two (2) Council seats with a term of office of two (2) years (May 2020-May 2022). One (1) Mayor seat with a term of office of three (3) years (May 2020-May 2023).

Eligibility Requirements:

- 1.) 21 years of age or older by the date of the election;
- 2.) Citizen of the State of Delaware;
- 3.) A qualified elector;
- 4.) Resident of the Town of Wyoming for at least one (1) year prior to the election; and
- 5.) Good results of a criminal background check (any person having been convicted of a felony, of any crime involving moral turpitude, of any crime of dishonesty, or of any crime involving fraud, bribery, or embezzlement, will not be qualified to run).

You can pick up your election packet at the Town of Wyoming Town Hall, 1 N. Railroad Avenue.

Filing Deadline: 4:30 p.m., Friday, Jan. 31, 2020.
For further information, email:
townofwyoming@Comcast.net or call
302-697-2966.



Calendar of Events:

- * Monday, Jan. 6, 6:30 p.m. — Town Council Meeting
- * Saturday, Jan. 11, 10 a.m.-Noon — Chat with Council
- * Tuesday, Jan. 14, 7 p.m. — CWSWA Meeting @ CWSWA Bldg.
- * Wednesday, Jan. 15, 7 p.m. — Peach Festival Committee
- * Wednesday, Jan. 22, 6:30 p.m. — Planning and Zoning Committee
- * Monday, Feb. 3, 6:30 p.m. — Town Council Meeting
- * Recycle pickup is every Tuesday.
- * Bulk pickup is every Wednesday.
- * Yard waste pickups are Tuesdays, Jan. 14 and 28.

(All meetings are held at the Wyoming Municipal Building, 1 N. Railroad Ave.)

Happy New Year & Decade from

the Town of Wyoming Council,

Police Department and Staff!



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1 N. Railroad Ave. Wyoming, DE 19934

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Needed: Poll Workers & Board of Elections

The Town of Wyoming is looking for volunteers to work the February 29th elections. If you are interested, please contact Wyoming Town Hall at 302-697-2966 or townofwyoming@comcast.net. The deadline for interest is Friday, January 24th at 4:30 p.m. The appointments will be made at the February 3rd council meeting.

Poll Worker Responsibilities: (1.) Verify voters' identity and address; (2.) Conduct election in a fair and equal manner; (3.) Prepare the polling place for election.

Board of Election Responsibilities: (1.) Supervise election; (2.) Count absentee ballots; (3.) Count votes at end of election and announce winners; (4.) Break any ties by a coin toss.

Board of Elections members may not be an immediate family member of candidates. This includes mother, father, son, daughter, brother, sister; including half-brothers/sisters, step family members and in-laws.

Voting Requirements

In order to vote in the Town of Wyoming elections, you must be at least 18 years of age, a registered voter in Kent County, and a Wyoming resident for 30 days or more. You can register to vote by applying to the Department of Elections by mail, by phone, or in person at the Kent County Department of Elections, 100 Enterprise Pl., Suite 5, Dover, DE, 19904. Phone: 302-739-4498; Fax: 302-739-4515.

You can also register online by visiting the Register to Vote website at: <https://ivote.de.gov/VoterView>, or at any of these State agencies while accessing their services:

- Division of Motor Vehicles (driver license and State ID services)
- Department of Health & Social Services
- Department of Labor



Board of Adjustments

The Town of Wyoming will be accepting letters of interest for an anticipated opening on the Board of Adjustments. What does a member of the Board of Adjustments do? The Board of Adjustments hears variances to the zoning laws in the Town of Wyoming. The vote of the Board of Adjustment is final and does not require the approval of the town council. The Board of Adjustment meets as needed. If you are interested, please email your letter to: townofwyoming@comcast.net, mail it to 1 N. Railroad Ave, Wyoming, DE 19934, or drop it off at Town Hall.

Wyoming Fun Facts???

Wyoming Pond was formerly known by what other name?

Last month: What is the name of the first cannery opened in Wyoming in the 1870's?

Answer: DeWoody & Taylor Cannery

2020 Wyoming Peach Festival



The Peach Festival Committee will start planning for the 30th Annual Peach Festival on Wednesday, January 15th at 7 p.m. Please consider volunteering to be a member of this committee. You can contact the committee via email at: wyomingpeachfestival@gmail.com or by phone: Jaci Stokes at 302-697-3587 or Donna Mason at 302-697-1033. The meetings are held the third Wednesday of the month in the Municipal Building at 1 N. Railroad Avenue. We look forward to seeing you there!

Question of the Month



I come in different shapes and sizes. Parts of me are curved, other parts are straight. You can put me anywhere you like, but there is only one right place for me. What am I? Answer in next month's newsletter.

Last month's question & answer: Which *Saturday Evening Post* artist was known for his whimsical pictures of Santa Claus?—Norman Rockwell, (1894–1978), one of America's most beloved artists who left a timeless legacy of nostalgic, endearing, whimsical paintings that appealingly and insightfully depicted simple, and often idyllic, scenes from daily life.

Wyoming Park Improvements

We are happy to announce that Wyoming Park will be getting new bathrooms! The Town of Wyoming's submission for a 50/50 grant from the State of Delaware, Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Division of Parks and Recreation - Outdoor Recreation, Parks and Trails Program (ORPT Program) has been selected. We are awaiting the signed grant agreement to start this long awaited project. Once we have the signed agreement, we will be working with the contractor to get this project started. The current bathrooms will be demolished, and a new building will take their place. Our hope is that the new building will be completed in time for the Spring opening of Wyoming Park.



Tree Pruning

Delmarva Power will be coming to Wyoming in January 2020 to do routine scheduled pruning. They'll be keeping branches and trees away from wires so that you won't lose electricity and so that you and your family will be safe. An effective tree maintenance program is critical to Delmarva Power's successful delivery of your electric service. Please be careful when driving around the work crews.

Tax Discounts \$\$\$

The Town of Wyoming receives all of your tax information from Kent County. If you believe you might qualify for a senior citizen, low income discount, or a handicapped discount, you must go to the Kent County Tax Office on Bay Road to apply. If you qualify with Kent County, that discount will take affect in Wyoming as well. Get ahead of the rush and file for your discount. You can apply in person at the Kent County Building located at 555 S. Bay Rd, Dover, or online at their website. Kent County's information will be downloaded to the Town of Wyoming around the middle of May, so don't delay.

❄️ Let it Snow! ❄️

Although we've already had our first snow, which was just a small amount, please keep the following in mind when it snows again:

♦ Street Parking during a Snowfall:

All vehicles must be removed from streets that are marked "No Parking" an hour after the

snowfall. The Police Department can tow any vehicles left in the streets at the owner's expense. Streets must remain free of vehicles until after the snow has been cleared.

♦ Removing Snow from Sidewalks:

Sidewalks in front of your house and leading to your mailbox must be cleared within 48 hours after the snowfall has stopped. This is not only a safety factor for you, but also for any residents walking on the sidewalk and your mail delivery person. If the sidewalks are not cleared, the mail may not be delivered.

If anyone is willing to help a disabled or senior citizen shovel their sidewalks, please call Town Hall and we will put your name on a calling list in case someone needs help.

Anyone who needs help should call Town Hall at 302-697-2966 to let us know, and we will try to find someone to help you.

Message from Mayor Rife



January 2020: I hope everyone had a wonderful Holiday. I enjoyed my time surrounded by my family making memories that will last a lifetime. I wish everyone the Happiest of New Years! My hope is that 2020 will be the best year and decade yet!

Adopt-a-family: The Town of Wyoming was able to assist three families this year, helping to make their holiday season a little easier. Rather than send out Christmas cards, we choose to adopt-a-family. Christmas isn't about gifts...it's a time to truly love your neighbors and to help them when they need it.

*"If you strive to do one act of kindness a day,
you could change 365 lives this year."*

Elections: This election, the Wyoming Town Council will have three open seats (two council seats and the Mayor's seat). If you're interested, contact Town Hall for more information. (See page one of this newsletter.)

As always, without all of you, this town would not be "The Best Little Town in Delaware."

If I can help anyone, please call me, email me, or contact Town Hall for an appointment.

Thank you.

Mayor Dale Rife
Frankiedale@hotmail.com

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Recycling & Yard Information

YES. YES, YES

Plastic: (Empty and rinse; no lids less than three inches)

Milk, water, juice & pop bottles
Yogurt, dairy & margarine tubs
Shampoo & conditioner bottles
Detergent & fabric softener bottles
Pill bottles (non-prescription)
Plastic bags (must be combined & tied)
Clean plastic cups
Clean plastic pots
Clean plastic take-out containers
Lids three inches or larger (removed from containers & rinsed)

Aluminum & tin cans: (Empty & rinse out food residue)

Labels OK
Beverage cans
Food cans
Clean aluminum foil or foil trays

Scrap metal:

Small appliances
Limit 2 ft. x 2 ft., 35 lbs.
No wood, plastic or rubber attachments

Cardboard: Flatten

Less than 3 ft. x 3 ft.

Mixed paper & newspaper:

Keep it loose – don't bundle, bag or tie
Newspapers & advertising inserts
Shredded paper (bagged in clear plastic bags)
Paperback books
Cereal & dry food boxes (remove liner)
Magazines, catalogs & phone books
Non-foil wrapping paper
Frozen food boxes
Juice boxes
Milk, juice & broth cartons
Clean paper cups

Glass jars & bottles (Empty & rinse out food residue)

NO, NO. NO

Plastic:

NO Plastic clothes hangers
NO Empty motor oil or anti-freeze containers
NO Empty prescription vials
NO Candy wrappers or chip bags
NO Ziploc bags
NO Plastic caps or lids (under three inches)
NO Plastic plates or utensils

Paper:

NO Food-soiled food boxes
NO Disposable diapers
NO Ribbons or foil wrapping paper
NO Wax or plastic-coated cardboard
NO Paper towels, plates or napkins
NO Dirty or soiled paper or facial tissue
NO Hardback books

Glass:

NO Mirrors or window glass
NO Ceramics or dishes
NO Broken glass
NO Light bulbs

Metal:

NO Caps, rings or lids (under three inches)
NO Empty aerosol spray cans
NO Paint cans
NO Sharp or greasy metal
NO Metal clothes hangers

Miscellaneous:

NO CDs or CD cases
NO Household batteries
NO Styrofoam take-out containers or cups
NO Clothing, textiles or shoes
NO Medical needles, syringes, "sharps"
NO Electronics
NO Food scraps
NO Tires

Yard Waste

Up to 6–30 gal. bags under 50 lbs.

Personal container – one any size

Residents can purchase a 95 gal. Yard Waste container from Town Hall for \$75.

Limbs less than three inches in diameter, twigs, grass clippings, leaves, flowers, weeds, etc.

Limbs must be tied and bundled, no longer than four feet.

NO: Construction materials, stumps, or limbs over three inches in diameter.

Bulk Trash

- Any item that doesn't fit in a trash can or trash bag
- Large non-metal items like furniture, carpet, and mattresses
- Appliances must have Freon removed by a certified technician
- Please remove doors from items such as refrigerators and freezers