

Corbin City Newsletter



MAY 2017



Mayor's Message

Dear Residents,

I am honored to have been elected as your Mayor during the 2016 election. It is a privilege to serve this wonderful city, situated in such a beautiful and peaceful setting. Your City Officials have been busy this year with several new projects underway.

Five years ago, the Railroad Park was completed with the goal of providing residents with a covered pavilion for picnics and outdoor activities. After gaining input from residents and thoughtful consideration by City Council, the installation of the playground equipment was approved this year. Also, the Bridge Tender's Building and gates will arrive in July. We were very fortunate to have ornamental and shade trees donated to the City as a result of the redesign of the Route 50 Bridge. The State will be planting Cherry, Dogwood, and many other trees to make park beautiful in the spring and throughout the year.

In the upcoming weeks our vintage marquee sign in front of City Hall will be replaced by an electronic sign. This will help to facilitate messages to residents and visitors. The new sign will display information about City events and celebrate the success of our talented students. With your safety and welfare in mind, City Council recently passed an ordinance to limit parking to one side of the street in some areas of Atlantic Gardens. Please help us maintain adequate passage for firetrucks and EMS equipment in the event of an emergency.

Drum roll please...After several miserable years of summer traffic invading our town we are very near the completion of the Route 50 Bridge. According to the NJ DOT, two lanes will be open for the Memorial Day weekend. As most of you know the bridge was closed to traffic for two days, in March and three days, in April to allow construction crews to set the girders and pour the decking for the bridge. I would like to thank the Tuckahoe fire and rescue teams that camped out at City Hall to ensure the safety of our residents during the bridge closures.

In the upcoming months I invite you to contact me at any time and join our monthly council meetings to provide us with your input on current projects and issues around town.

Sincerely,

Mayor Mike McGowan

TAX ASSESSOR

The Tax Assessor would like you to know that the applications for the following deduction offered by the State of NJ are in the office at City Hall.

1. **Senior Citizen**
 - A. Must be a citizen of NJ and live and own your home in Corbin City.
 - B. 65 or older as of Dec. 31st of the pre-tax year (year before deduction is claimed)
 - C. Annual income level not to exceed \$10,000 (after permitted exclusion of Social Security Benefits or Federal Government pension.)
2. **Disabled Person**
 - A. All same as above except age-55 or more as of December 31st of the pre-tax year.
 - B. Must have doctor's note stating 100% total and permanently disabled.
3. **Veteran's Deduction**
 - A. Must have Honorable Discharge
 - B. Citizen of NJ and own your home in Corbin City (as if Oct. 1st of the pre- tax year)

Building permits are received from the State and I perform added assessments examples are: additions, air conditioning, decks, just to name a few.

Farmland Assessment applications are mailed out annually during the end of June and due back August 1st.

I am in the office the second Monday of every month 5:30 – 7:00 pm and the third Monday of every month from 5:30-6:30 pm.

If you should need anything or have questions, please feel free to leave a message with the clerk and I will get back to you.

Bernadette Leonardi

New Hours for City Hall

The new office hours for City Hall are 9-3 PM. Closed on holidays and extreme weather.

City Officials

Mayor

Mike McGowan

Council Members

Rose Turner

Bill Collins

Carol Foster

City Clerk

Joanne Siedlecki

Deputy Clerk

Judi Pawiak

Tax Collector

Beverly Totten

Assessor

Bernadette Leonardi

CFO/Treasure

Al Stanley

Zoning Officer

Wayne Caregnato

Emerg.Mgmt. Coord.

Laverne Kern

Animal Control

George Garbaravage

Wellness

A Wellness Fair is being planned for our citizens to enjoy. More information will be forth coming as the plans are completed. Hope to see you there.



Emergency Numbers Police/Fire/EMT

911

State Police-Non Emergency

609-561-1800

City Hall

609-628-2673

Animal Control

609-296-0675

609-839-5833

Tax Collector

If you applied for homestead rebate and did not receive a corrected 2nd quarter tax bill, please call the State of NJ at (888) 238-1233.

The tax sale for the delinquent 2016 taxes will be held in July of 2017.

Just a friendly reminder taxes are due on February 1st, May 1st, August 1st, and November 1st, with a 10 day grace period. If the taxes are not received by the 10th, interest will be charged back to the first. We do not accept postmark. If you your taxes are paid by your mortgage company and you have a delinquency, you will be notified, not your mortgage company. It is up to you to contact your mortgage company.

Zoning Officer

The Zoning Officer is available the second and fourth Tuesday of the month from 5:30-7:00. **Remember you must obtain all permits before you start any project.** If you have any questions for the zoning officer you can call the office and he will get back to you.

STORM WATER

What is Storm Water

Storm water run-off is the water that literally runs off: your property when it rains or snows. All storm water run-off either seeps into the ground or into a nearby stream. Storm water run-off eventually finds its way to Tuckahoe River or in Tuckahoe Wildlife Management Area which is part of the Great Egg Harbor Water Shed.

What is Nonpoint Source (NPS) Pollution?

- *Residential and agriculture fertilizers, herbicides and insecticides.
- *Oil, grease, and toxic chemicals.
- *Sediment from improperly managed construction sites, forested lands and eroding stream banks.
- *Nutrients and bacteria from faulty septic systems and pet waste.

What can you do prevent nonpoint source pollution.

- * If you must use lawn fertilizer, use them sparingly and according to the direction.
- *Control soil erosion on your property.
- *Use materials that allow water to soak into the ground.
- *Water from your sprinklers should never enter the street.
- *Gutters and downspouts should be directed toward the grass, gravel, planted or wooded areas.
- *Wash your car on porous surfaces to allow soapy water to soak into the ground.
- *Never hose down the driveways as sidewalks.
- *Dispose of used oil, antifreeze, paint and other household chemicals properly.
- *Never dispose of litter in the street or into a storm drain.
- *Always clean up after your pets. Pet waster contains bacteria and nutrients that are a source of pollution.
- *Purchase household detergents that are low in phosphorous

For more information more information contact the New Jersey of Environmental Protection at www.state.nj.us/dep.

MOVIE NIGHT

MAY 19th RAIN DATE: MAY 20th

TIME: 7:00 PM

WHERE: RAILROAD PARK ON HEAD OF RIVER RD.

GAMES, FACE PAINTING, REFRESHMENTS



Bring chairs or blankets for your seating. Dress appropriately for the weather.