

# February 2021 Town of Montverde Newsletter

## Message from the Town Manager

What a wonderful time of the year! The weather has been beautiful! I hope you have capitalized on the opportunity to get outside and enjoy!

Here is an update concerning the events that are happening around Town:

The Town has started the next phase of improvements to the water system. These upgrades will facilitate more efficient processes in Public Works. The improvements are aimed at establishing remote operations of the system thus allowing Staff to quickly diagnose any disruptions even when they are off sight. In addition, the Town is making enhancements to our disinfection systems which will ensure reliable and safe water to the community.

Unfortunately, over the past month, we have had several water lines break in the system. Some of these were caused by contractor error and one was caused by a pipe failure. During these interruptions, the Town must shut the water off to the involved area while repairs are being made. We understand this is an inconvenience and a frustration to our affected residents. Rest assured we always do our best to get your water turned back on as quickly as possible once repairs are complete.

The round-about is almost completed. The Town appreciates everyone's patience during the construction phase. The improvements will enhance traffic flow and create a safer intersection.

The Town Council has been holding workshops to discuss long range strategic plans and safeguard the viability of the Town's infrastructure and operations. Some examples of items the Council has been reviewing include budgeting, the library, our water system, and other areas that need to be studied and planned for well in advance.

The Town is in the process of setting up live-stream, so our citizens can watch the Town Council Meetings from their home in real time. We are hoping to be operational for the February meeting. Our goal is to allow our citizens to stay informed and safe by utilizing technology. We will post updates on our progress on the Town Website. Eventually the web site will include the link needed to access the live-stream.

Finally, I want to personally thank the Town Council, Planning Board Members, and Mayor for all the time they generously give serving the town of Montverde. Their efforts and resolve to keep Montverde a magnificent community are admirable. Thank you for your service to our community.

Have a wonderful start to the new year. We hope 2021 will bring you blessings and prosperity.

Paul Larino Town Manager

### Message from Mayor Joe

Hello, hope you and your family are all doing well and staying safe.

I have had many people ask me about the orange grove on Lake Apopka next to Franklin Pond and what is going on there. The owner has decided to remove the orange trees and clear the property. There are no plans currently to build on the property.

On a different location which is the Black East property on the corner of Fosgate and Blackstill Lake Road that the Town annexed in, there is a developer in the process of eventually building homes on that 117-acre site. We will keep you informed as this moves forward.

As always, if you need anything I can help with please feel free to call me at 407-496-1673 and I will be happy to help.

Take care and stay safe, Joe Wynkoop, Mayor

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Town Council Meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

The next meeting will be held February 9th at Town Hall.

Please check the Town's website for details. www.mymontverde.com



**TOWN HALL WILL BE CLOSED FEBRUARY 15TH.** AS ALWAYS, YOU CAN LEAVE CORRESPONDANCE IN THE GREEN BOX IN THE PARKING LOT OF TOWN HALL.

### **BUILDING PERMITS**

Please be reminded that Building Permits are required for all new construction, indoor and outdoor remodeling; such as new roofs, porches, fences, siding & driveways, pools, etc. Permit applications are available on the Town's website at www.montverde.com under the Building Department Section or they can be emailed to you. Please call Town Hall (407) 469-2681 to see if a permit is needed and for assistance.

DUE TO THE COVID-19 OUTBREAK TOWN HALL STAFF WILL BE OPERATING DURING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS Monday – Thursday 7am – 6pm

IN PERSON SERVICES WILL BE LIMITED TO UTILITY PAYMENTS AND BUILDING PERMITS.

TELEPHONE: 407-469-2681 FAX: 407-469-2773 EMAIL: <u>PERMITTING@MYMONTVERDE.COM</u> PLEASE USE THE GREEN BOX LOCATED IN THE PARKING LOT TO DROP PAYMENTS & TOWN CORRESPONDANCE.

BUILDING PERMIT AND MISC FORMS ARE LOCATED ON THE TOWN'S WEBSITE <u>WWW.MYMONTVERDE.COM</u> OR CAN BE EMAILED TO YOU. PLEASE SEND YOUR REQUEST TO PERMITTTING@MYMONTVERDE.COM

#### **CEMETERY PLOT RESERVATION RENEWAL**

Cemetery Renewal Letters and Forms have been mailed to those who have a Cemetery Plot reserved. The information was mailed Certified, Return Receipt. To ensure your Cemetery Plot Reservation, please return the Reservation Form back to Town Hall, no later than March 15, 2020. Please contact Brenda at Town Hall (407-469-2681) with any questions you may have and she will be happy to assist you.

## **TEAM UP TO CLEAN UP!**

Please remember to keep your personal property picked up and clean per the Town Code of Ordinances. The Town asks property owners to keep yards picked up, and yards need to be mowed regularly.



While driving in and around Town, please drive the posted speed limit to ensure the safety of those who are walking, running and bicycling. Our local law enforcement agency is being proactive for the safety of everyone.



Be sure to fix leaks. A slow drip from a leaking faucet can waste as much as 20 gallons of water a day. A leaky toilet can waste 200 gallons a day.



I can't believe it's the end of January already! Just wanted to give everyone a heads up that our main goal at the Library is to get it up and running as quickly and efficiently as possible. We will require you wear a mask and use sanitizer upon entering while practice social distancing at all times. I have really missed seeing everyone especially all my little friends! While we were closed, I removed outdated books to make room for new ones. Hope to be OPEN soon! Thank You, Kathleen