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BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

There are opportunities to serve your Town in 2017 on various Boards and Committees. If you are interested in volunteering your time, please call for an application form from Town Hall or download from the website www.mymontverde.com/downloads/forms and applications. A brief overview of the role that each Board and Committee plays is shown below. Applications must be received by Tuesday January 31, 2017 so that appointments can be made at the Regular Council Meeting on February 7, 2017. If now is not a good time, you are able to join a Board or Committee at any time during the year.

Planning and Zoning Board — Review of Zoning Changes, Comprehensive Plan Amendments, Site Plans, Conditional use permits and Variance's and making recommendation to Council.

Code Enforcement Board - Enforcement of Violations of the Town's Code of Ordinances.

(Board members must reside within the limits of the Town)

Cemetery Committee - Advisory to the Council on issues of Rules, Regulations and Management of the Town's Cemetery.

Parks and Recreation Committee - Includes organization of Montverde Day and other Town events.

Visioning Committee - To continue Montverde's Vision of History, Traditional Values, Safety, Community and Environmental health to ensure the quality of life that we wish to enjoy.

Library Committee - To assist the Librarian and staff with Special Events and Projects.

Public Safety Committee - To look at ways to improve the safety and security of the Town's Residents.

Historical Committee - To Research and Document the History of Montverde for Future Generations.

(Voting members of any committee must reside within the Town's 180-degree utility services district)

A board member may also serve on a committee and committee members may serve on two committees.

FRIENDS OF MONTVERDE

The Friends of Montverde monthly meeting will take place at 5 pm on the same day as Bingo Night. In January this will be on Friday 20th. Bingo will start at the regular time 7 pm.

Both take place in the Kirk Park Community Building.

ADD A BUCK PROGRAM

We would like to remind you about the "ADD A BUCK" program which helps our local food drives. This is where, if you are able you can add a buck to your water bill when you send in your payment. Town hall will then take all the extra "BUCKS" and send them to the South Lake Community Foundation. They will MATCH the amount and send the money to our in Town Food Drive partners. Food would be purchase from the Second Food Harvest for under .20 cents a pound and distributed to the many people that could use a helping hand. Many thanks for your help with this effort; together we are making a difference.

YOUR NEW COUNCIL PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT



At the December Council Meeting Jim Peacock (left) was appointed by the other Council Members to serve as Council President for the upcoming Year. Jim is a lifelong Florida resident and has lived in Montverde for the past twenty years. He has been married to Robin for twenty seven years and has two daughters, Bethany and Cassie.

Jim Ley (right) was appointed as Council Vice President. Jim and his wife Judy, along with their youngest daughter moved to Montverde in 2008. They have six children and seven grandchildren. Prior to being elected to Council Jim served the Town on the Public Safety Committee.



NEWS FROM YOUR LIBRARY



Happy New Year from the Montverde Library! 2016 was a great year for the library but we hope to make 2017 even better! From new programs to bigger and better events we hope to continue to serve our community as well as we can. We would especially like to thank everyone who contributed to our Angel Tree in December. We were able to bless over 48 kids for Christmas and all because of you!

Looking towards 2017 our next big event will be Easter so stay tuned! Thank you and Happy New Year to you all.

Kathleen & Erin

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

The next Council meeting will be on January 10, 2017 at 7:00 pm. Key issues for discussion are:

- Ordinance 2016-18 approving the annexation of the Black East property into the Town.
- Ordinance 2016-17 amending the one acre lot requirement for property annexed into the Town.

A presentation by Lake County Public Works Director Jim Stivender and County Engineer Fred Schneider to update residents on the proposed roundabout at CR455 and Ridgewood Ave and the repaving of Ridgewood Ave. They will also talk about new traffic signaling at CR455 and Old Hwy 50 by Collina Bay and Old Hwy 50 and Blackstill Lake Road by Highlands Ranch.

Mr. TJ Fish from the Lake Sumter Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) will also give an overview of the new Turnpike exit. Residents are encouraged to attend these meetings; public comment is permitted at every meeting.

OTHER TOWN NEWS AND INFORMATION

A longtime Montverde resident will pick up discarded Christmas trees to create mulch for the Town. He is asking that residents please put their discarded Christmas tree by the road the night before garbage collection, and he will collect them.

Keep up with all town events, meetings and information by visiting the Town's website; www.mymontverde.com

Mayor Joe Wynkoop and Town Hall staff wish everyone a Happy and Prosperous New Year!

TOWN HALL CLOSED FOR NEW YEAR HOLIDAY

Town Hall will be closed for the New Year on Friday December 30th at noon and all day Monday 2nd January. As always, residents can leave any correspondence in the green utility box in the Town Hall parking lot.