



Newsletter DECEMBER 2022

Town hall will be closed on the following dates for Christmas and New Years: December 22nd thru 26th and December 29th thru January 2nd

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

SAVE THE DATE

LIGHT UP MONTVERDE!!!

DECEMBER 3, 2022

6:00 p.m.



Meetings & Events

December 13, 2022 7:00 p.m.

Town Council Meeting

Town I

December 14, 2022

6:30 p.m.

P&Z Meeting

Mayor's Message

Hello, I hope you and your family are doing well and staying safe. I hope you were able to attend the Montverde Day event and our Halloween event we just had. Even with not having the carnival because they couldn't get any help this year and had to cancel. Our town hall team and our Volunteers did a wonderful job with putting on two good events and I would like to say Thank You. We will be in full swing with our Christmas decorations and Light Up Montverde event on December 3rd. Please come and enjoy the evening with your family, friends and neighbors and say hello to Santa !!

I talked to the Lake County Fire Chief Dickerson recently and he confirmed the County will be completing the NEW Regional Fire Station on the property they purchased from Montverde next to the corner of Fosgate and CR 455 in 2023. This will help service Montverde and the surrounding area with professionals.

I attended the meeting on 11-15-22 the developer had in our community building that is trying to build out the old orange grove on Lake Apopka. It was great to see the amount of folks that took the time to attend the developers meeting and give their opinion. We need everyone to stay involved and attend the Council meetings on topics they are interested in. Please check the Town's website at Mymontverde.com to see the agenda for each upcoming meeting.

In the past few months, we have had a couple of tropical storms. I want to remind everyone to consider getting your home and cell phones set up so you will receive calls from your town hall with important information you may need. Please go to the Town's website at Mymontverde.com and on the right side of the first page you will find a link Code Red to get yourself signed up. If you need help with this call me at 407-496-1673 and I will help set you up for this service.

The County has paved the north side of CR455 and I am told will be paving Ridgewood soon. Also, the bridge that goes over the Turnpike towards Publix and RT 50 is still on schedule to be completed in February. They are installing the temporary bridge on Blackstill road to divert Turnpike traffic over while the new bridges are being built. This is a two-year project and Blackstill road will stay open during this time.

We were able to recently get the County to install two more speed control signs on CR455 to remind drivers to slow down coming into and leaving Montverde. This method of course is only good for the drivers that want to obey the law.

As always if I can help you with something please feel free to give me a call at 407-496-1673. Please try to attend the Council meetings on the second Tuesday of every month and the workshops on the third Tuesday of most months. If you cannot attend, you can go to the Town's website at Mymontverde.com and click on the agenda and then the Zoom link to watch and listen to the meeting.

Many Thank
Joe Wynkoop

Library News

Ho Ho Ho! here we go into December. Our next event will be Light up Montverde on Saturday December 3rd at 6:00 so save the date. Our Annual Angel Tree is up and filled with cards that represent children in our community who otherwise would not receive Christmas presents without your help. All angel tree donations need to be in by Monday, December 12th. We appreciate how generous our community has been and looking forward to another great year. I would like to thank Kristin Jamieson and her team at Success Mortgage for their generous donations throughout the year including the Thanksgiving baskets and the angel tree gifts. I would like to thank Keria Pergram for organizing the Thanksgiving food drive. Congratulations to everyone !! Happy Holidays, Kathleen and Mary

Town Manager's Message

Greetings,

I hope everyone is enjoying the cooler weather. I wanted to personally thank all of the volunteers and sponsors that helped make another successful Montverde Day. The staff at town hall truly enjoyed the opportunity to host this event for the community. It is now time for our annual "Light Up Montverde" on December 3rd. Please come join us for this annual tradition and celebration of season.

The town is working on several capital projects in the town. Recently a section of Porter avenue and Morningside was repaved. Montverde Academy has volunteered to put in a new crosswalk at Porter and 7th St. They will also install a new sidewalk around 8th and Porter. I appreciate their willingness to improve the town infrastructure and help make the area safer for pedestrians.

I have been working with an architect on the initial design work for the new library. The new library building is funded by grants totaling approximately 1.8 million dollars. The old library will be removed during the first part of 2023 to make room for the new library. The library circulation will be temporarily operating out of town hall while the new library is built. This is an exciting opportunity for the town to create an incredible facility for our community.

On the engineering side, I have been coordinating with our engineers for the implementation of a two-million-dollar storm water grant we received from Lake County Water Authority and the Department of Environmental Protection. The grant will be used to improve storm water and the street along Lakeside. Another improvement will be to the drainage system at Trusket Park. Some money will also be used to improve storm water for the downtown area.

I encourage you to stay involved. If you have any questions, please call town hall and the staff will be glad to assist. You can also access the latest information on the town's website: Mymontverde.com.

Thanks,

Paul Larino, Town Manager

