

Newsletter MAY 2025



Meetings & Events

May 3, 2025 Community Picnic—Kirk Park
11:00 am till 3:00 pm

May 13, Town Council Regular Meeting 7:00
pm—in Town Hall

All meetings open to the public

Stormwater Tip of the Month:

Our lakes, our future, ours to protect. Minimize chemical use around the home.

Mayor's Message

I hope this newsletter finds you and your family well and in good health. I also hope everyone had a wonderful time at our Easter Egg Hunt this year! A big thank you goes out to our Townhall Team and Montverde Academy for their help in stuffing 10,000 eggs for the event. Here are a few updates:

Bella Collina Development Update

As previously mentioned, Bella Collina is moving forward with plans to develop the 58 acres they own off Ridgewood in Montverde. In addition, they've started the process of annexing 10 acres off Rt 455, bringing the total project to 68 acres. This development is expected to include around 115 homes, which still falls under our two-homes-per-acre density requirement. I'll continue to keep you updated as this progresses.

Water Rates

After reducing the water usage rate by 10% last year, and thanks to the excellent work of our Management and Public Works teams. The Council has determined that the usual 5% annual increase to the base water rate is not necessary this year. Our water system remains well-funded and well-maintained.

Town Budget Fiscal Year 2025–2026

We'll soon begin work on next year's town budget. If you have suggestions or items you'd like to see included, please join us at our upcoming Council meetings, or feel free to call or email me directly. I'd be happy to bring your ideas forward.

We Want to Hear from You

If you're not receiving the level of service you expect from the Town, please don't hesitate to reach out to me. Our Town Hall team is committed to delivering top-notch service, and your feedback helps us improve.

Ways to stay involved

To stay updated with Town news, events and meetings, please scan the QR code below for the Town of Montverde website. You can also visit the website at mymontverde.com.

We've got many exciting events coming up, and I hope to see you, your friends, and your family there! Our team puts in a lot of hard work to make these events happen, and it's all for you.

As always, if you have questions or want to better understand any town-related topic, please give me a call. Your input is important to me and to the Council.

Please don't forget our monthly Council meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month. Join us for dinner from 5:30 PM to 6:45 PM, and if possible, stay for the meeting at 7:00 PM. Hope to see you there!

Many thanks,

Joe Wynkoop, Mayor cell: 407-496-1673

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Water Conservation In the kitchen or laundry

- Compost your food scraps rather than using a garbage disposal in your sink.
- Keep a gallon of drinking water in the refrigerator rather than running the tap for cold water.
- Run your washing machine with a full load of clothes. Wash with warm water instead of hot, rinse with cold water instead of warm. Wash with cold water when you can (When possible) hang your wash out to dry.



Library News

Happy Mother's Day to all the wonderful moms out there!

I hope everyone had a fantastic time at the Easter Egg Hunt—the weather was absolutely perfect! The kids had a blast not only finding eggs but also bouncing around on the inflatable bounce houses. A huge thank you to Mrs. Price, Mr. Lynch, Kalena Meyers, and all the amazing students at Montverde Academy who helped stuff the Easter eggs for the town.

Get ready for our next big event: the 100th Year Celebration Town Picnic! Join us on Saturday, May 3rd at 11:00 AM at Kirk Park for a day filled with fun. We'll have free hamburgers and hot dogs, live music, bounce houses for the kids, midway games, contests, and giveaways. Don't miss out on the fun—come and celebrate with us! Don't forget May is Food for Fines month! Get information at the library.

The new library is coming along beautifully, with all the detailed work being done now. It's going to be incredible! Lastly, let's take a moment to remember all of our veterans on May 26th, Memorial Day.

Thank you, Kathleen & Hilary



COMMUNITY PICNIC May 3rd Noon to 3:00 pm Celebrating the Town's 100th anniversary!
Live band, free hamburgers and hot dogs, Family friendly games
Come Join the FUN!!!!

Town Manager's Message

Greetings,

At our last meeting, the town council approved a draft water facility plan for our drinking water. This plan will now be sent to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for review. When it is approved, it will unlock 12.9 million in grant funds to be used for capital improvements for our drinking water system. The proposed improvements include a new water tower, a redundant well, looping and increasing the size of several water mains, and replacing some older fire hydrants.

Over the past month, the town has made several improvements around the town hall area. A new roof was put on the town hall, replacing many rotted underlayment boards. Landscaping, walkways, and benches were added around the park area at the new library. Pavers and new trees donated by the Keys family were installed in the dog park.

Thank you to our volunteers, staff, and all those who helped make this year's Easter egg scramble a wonderful event for our community. Special thanks to the Montverde Academy kids who volunteered and stuffed 10,000 eggs, which were picked up in less than 90 seconds.

Finally, I want to invite you to celebrate the opening of the Butterfly Garden located by the sports court. Before the council meeting, we will hold a ribbon-cutting ceremony on May 13th at 6:00 pm in the butterfly garden.

Please feel free to call the town hall team if you have any questions or need information. Their phone number is 407-469-2681 or mymontverde.com

Paul Larino, Town Manager

