

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that on the 21st day of July, 2008, the Town Council of the Town of New Market, Virginia will conduct a public hearing regarding the proposed entering into of an agreement (the "Agreement") with the Town of Broadway for the providing of wastewater treatment by Broadway for New Market. New Market is considering entering into the Agreement in order to minimize the cost of complying with nutrient reduction and other environmental laws that affect the discharge of wastewater and in order to reduce the cost of expanding New Market's existing wastewater treatment plant. It is estimated that it will cost between \$23,000,000 and \$28,000,000 should New Market wish to renovate and expand its existing plant. When factoring in estimated state grant funding of \$8,000,000, it is estimated that the net cost to the Town of upgrading its own plant would be between \$15,000,000 and \$20,000,000. It is estimated that the cost of entering into the Agreement will be approximately \$10,250,000, which cost is comprised of the estimated \$7,000,000 cost of a 4.3 mile long sewer pipeline to Broadway's plant, a \$2,250,000 paid to Broadway as part of New Market's contribution to the renovation of Broadway's plant and an estimated \$1,000,000 cost of acquiring land to build the sewer pipeline. The Term of the Agreement is thirty five years, and the current fee schedule charged by Broadway is \$2.10 per 1000 gallons of wastewater treated for the first 800,000 gallons and \$2.36 per 1000 gallons

of wastewater treated for the next 200,000 gallons treated. The Agreement provides that such fees will increase by the amount of the Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers, U.S. City average, as published by the U.S. Department of Labor. New Market would continue to bill its customer's directly at rates that reflect both the charges levied by Broadway, the capital cost charged by Broadway to New Market to expand Broadway's plant, the sewer pipeline cost, land acquisition cost, the cost of maintaining New Market's sewer collection facilities and other costs. New Market must also reimburse Broadway for the actual cost of disposing of Biosolids and Sludges that are generated by New Market's customers. In certain circumstances explained in the Agreement New Market must pay a biological oxygen demand surcharge and pay for 1/3 of the cost of phosphorous removal equipment. In addition, in certain circumstances New Market may have to pretreat its wastewater in the future. Although no indebtedness is specifically authorized in the Agreement, if entered into the Town will need to borrow monies in order to comply with the terms of the Agreement. Such future borrowing will be the subject of future public hearings. The public hearing, which may be continued or adjourned, will be held at 7:30 p.m. at the New Market Town Office, 9418 John Sevier Road, New Market. Interested persons may appear at such time and place and present their views.

Good Luck, Evan!

It is with tremendous regret that we announce that Town Manager, Evan Vass recently tendered his resignation. Evan has accepted a position as Assistant City Manager for the City of Harrisonburg. This is a wonderful opportunity as well as an exciting challenge for Evan. He will be greatly missed by Town Staff and Council Members, but we are proud of Evan's success. We wish him the best of luck in his new position and we also offer our sincere thanks to Evan for a job well done here in New Market.

The Finance and Personnel Committee has already met to begin the hiring process for a new Town Manager for New Market. Mr. Vass' last day with the Town will be July 11, 2008. The Committee has appointed Mr. John Blosser, Council Member, as the Interim Town Manager until a new Town Manager has been selected.

HERITAGE DAYS 2008 AUGUST 23RD AND 24TH

Heritage Days is sponsored and supported by the New Market Chamber of Commerce and our local businesses. This year we are planning Heritage Days to include events and activities that are fun for the whole family. We are going to have delicious food and drinks, local craft vendors, kids' activities, opportunity to walk through our unique local shops, a parade on Saturday afternoon, a two day car show with The Valley Cruisers of Harrisonburg and much, much more.

This year the Chamber is selling 50/50 raffle tickets as a fund raiser for Heritage Days. The winning ticket will be drawn on Sunday, August 24, 2008 at 4:00 pm. If you would like to buy or sell tickets, please stop by the Chamber's office.

We are also currently accepting applications for craft and food vendors for our festival. **If you would like to be a vendor, please call the Chamber of Commerce at 740-3212. For more information on our festival and to obtain a vendor application, please visit: www.heritagedays2008.com.**

LIBRARY NEWS

Summer programs for children are well under way at the library! Many families are enjoying the story hours and fun activities, keeping the youngsters busy while helping them educationally. Children who register for the reading program receive a reading log on which to record the time they spend reading. When they return to the library they are given stickers and prizes for the books they read.

The following programs are scheduled in July, each at 10:00 am:

July 3rd: "The Very Lonely Firefly" with Mrs. Julie Bell

July 10th: "Hooray For Honeybees!" - Charles and Betty Lucas, beekeepers, will present a program of stories and facts about bees. They will have an observation hive and honey for the children to taste. Honey will also be available for sale.

JULY 17th: "Come Into My Parlor Please?" Story teller Gary Lloyd will present a program about spiders! **This program will be held at the Town Hall at 10:00 am.**

July 24th: "Shoo Fly Don't Bother Me!" Bug songs and stories with Doris Davis

July 31st: TBA with Mrs. Boel Bennet

BOOK SALE! The Library Book Sale will be continuing through August. The staff has decided to maintain the sale in the rooms on the south side of the library. Thrivent Financial for Lutherans will be donating matching funds to monies raised, with all proceeds to benefit the building fund. Browsers are welcome during open hours, Mondays, 11-6:30, Tuesday-Friday 1:00-4:30, Saturday mornings 9:30-12:00.

THE MAYOR'S CORNER

Friends, Neighbors, Countrymen lend me your ear-a famous line, but one I would like to draw on each month in the town newsletter. I plan to use this column to keep the ideas flowing so we can make New Market a better place for all of us.

To this end I hope to create a forum for the citizens of New Market as well as the neighbors of New Market and the business owners to allow you to express your ideas and concerns. I would like to hold our first citizen forum on Tuesday, July 15 at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall. This will be an open, informal, meeting to discuss ideas and address problems and your concerns. Plan to come with ideas and possible solutions.

By the way, I, like most people have always been concerned whether my vote in an election really counted. Well, it certainly does in New Market as I was elected by a total of three votes. That's really the democratic system at work. I do, however, have a concern. I was discouraged by the fact that there are around a thousand registered voters in New Market and only about a third voted in the Town election. The up coming November presidential election is probably one of the most important and historic elections that many of us have witnessed. Let's try and see if we can get 100% of the voters in New Market to the polls. If you think your vote doesn't count, think again!!!

In conclusion, I would like to thank all of you that supported me during the recent election. I plan to do my best to fulfill the duties of Mayor with dignity and respect for the citizens that the council and I represent.

NEW MARKET POLICE BLOTTER

MAY 2008

During the month of May the New Market Police Department responded to 514 calls for service. There were 6 physical arrests, all for DUIs. The officers worked 4 accidents, responded to 35 mutual aid calls to other agencies, reported 2 assault and batteries, and 6 acts of vandalism or property damage. The Police made 213 traffic stops and issued 106 summonses for traffic violations. There were 3 Breaking and Enterings and 2 larcenies reported with a total of \$150.00 property loss. During the two weeks of "Click It or Ticket" the Department issued 75 summonses for traffic violations and made 4 DUI arrests.

Chief Peery is pleased to announce that our entry in the Virginia Law Enforcement Chief's Challenge placed 3rd in the statewide competition. This is quite an accomplishment for a first time entry and shows how hard your Police Department is working for you and the community.

Mark your calendars for Tuesday August 5, 2008 at 7:00 pm when the New Market Police Department will be participating in "National Night Out". There will be food and soft drinks. Bring your children and have an I.D. kit made for your records, including fingerprints. Come out and see the demonstrations, meet your police officers and have a good time. This will be held in conjunction with the regular Neighborhood Watch meeting held at the Town Hall.

The June meeting of the Neighborhood Watch program was held on June 5, 2008 at the Town Hall. Steve Bowers from the Shenandoah County Sheriff's Department spoke on Home Safety. The next meeting will be held on July 3, 2008 at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall.

NEW MARKET GARDEN CLUB

The New Market Garden Club held its monthly meeting June 16, 2008 at the home of Janice White and enjoyed a tour of her lovely flower gardens. Hostesses were Ingrid Flowers and Janice White. The program, "Amazing Facts and Myths of the Hummingbird", was presented by Dot Johnson.

Plans for the programs and hostesses for the new Club year were reported by Ingrid Flowers, Chairperson of the Program Committee. The next meeting will be in the form of an indoor picnic in the fellowship hall of the New Market Seventh-Day Adventist Church.

Those receiving blue ribbons on horticulture were Virginia Thompson, 5; Ruth Simons, 1; Dot Johnson, 4.

NEW MARKET LIONS CLUB

The New Market Lions Club is holding their annual auction at New Market Community Park at 11:00 am on July 4th. Come see us for some good deals! The auction is one of the clubs major fund raisers which helps us fulfill our motto of "We Serve" the community. If you would like to donate an item for the auction, please call Gordy Farrey at (540)-740-4257 or Boyd Ritchie (540)-740-8823 to arrange for pickup or delivery. All donations will be greatly appreciated.

NEW MARKET TOWN COUNCIL MEETING JUNE 16, 2008

The Council took the following actions at their June meeting:

- By unanimous vote, adopted a proposed text amendment to the Town's zoning ordinances, specifically sections 70-10, Definitions, 7-152.2 Residential Occupancy Standards, and 70-190, Violations and Penalties, all three of which address issues involving excessive occupancy.
- Approved submitting an application to the Virginia Department of Transportation Fiscal Year 2008 Revenue Sharing Program for road improvements to Shady Lane. The application requests \$150,000 in State funding. This approval also commits the Town of New Market to pay at least \$165,000 to match the State's financial contribution. The entire improvement package includes underground storm water drainage, curb and guttering, sidewalks on one side, and road resurfacing.
- Appointed Vice Mayor John Blosser to serve as the interim Town Manager beginning at 5:00 pm on July 11, 2008, Mr. Vass's day of departure. The status of his pay was not decided.

The Council also heard from Town Attorney, Jason Ham, the pros and cons of entering into an agreement with the Town of Broadway for the providing of wastewater treatment services. Mr. Ham stated that the Town had to either upgrade its existing plant or join with Broadway in order to comply with environmental laws and the need to expand the Town's wastewater capacity. A public hearing on this issue will be held July 21, 2008.

Councilman Eddie Litten expressed his thanks to outgoing Mayor Tom Constable and to Mary Alice Burch whose term on the Council ends June 30, 2008. Ms. Burch also thanked the Council, Mayor, and all those who voted for and supported her.

Mayor Constable commended the Council, with special praise and thanks to Ms. Burch, as well as the Town Staff. He extended best wishes and thanks to Mr. Evan Vass who is leaving New Market to become the Assistant Town Manager for the City of Harrisonburg, VA.

The meeting adjourned at 7:53 pm.

NEW MARKET HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The New Market Historical Society will hold its first Annual Potluck Picnic at Jerry and Priscilla Blosser-Rainey's River Farm, 17442 Evergreen Valley Road, Timberville, VA on Thursday, July 24, 2008 at 6:00 pm. Members and the public are invited to bring a potluck dish with serving utensils, their chairs, and insect repellent. The Historical Society will provide paper plates, napkins, cups, plastic silverware, sweet iced tea and bottled water. This will be a great opportunity to visit and meet new people. For directions or more information, call Priscilla Blosser-Rainey at 896-9931 or Caroll or Jim Douglas at 740-2740.

NEW MARKET AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The New Market Area Chamber of Commerce is busy working on Heritage Days to be held August 23rd & 24th, 2008. The Heritage Days Committee holds meetings the 3rd Tuesday of each month at the Johnny Applesced Restaurant from 4:00 - 5:00 pm. All members of the Chamber are invited to attend.

The Chamber office has had a total of 70 visitors to stop by the office since August 2007, with some from as far away as Canada.

Preparations for the Route 11 Yard Crawl are underway. This event will take place on Saturday, August 9, 2008. Anyone wishing to participate please contact Ms. Mary Alice Burch at 540-740-3054.

The Chamber would like to welcome the following new member:

Shenandoah Valley-Herald
Susan Beaver Thompson, Manager
207 N. Main St.
Woodstock, VA 22664

We encourage everyone to support the new businesses and all the businesses in the New Market area.

The Chamber will hold meetings on the following **Tuesdays** in 2008:

July 8	Southern Kitchen	12:00 - 1:00 pm
August 12	Shen. Valley Academy	12:00 - 1:00 pm
September 9	New Market Battlefield	5:00 - 7:00 pm
	Business Social	
October 14	Southern Kitchen	12:00 - 1:00 pm
November 11	To be decided	
December	To be decided	

AMERICAN LEGION NEWS

The American Legion reminds everyone that they sell barbecued chicken the 2nd Saturday of each month at the Legion Hall and also at the Suntrust Bank parking lot. The chicken is ready at 9:00 am and the price is still \$3.00 per half. Come and get some of the best chicken in the county prepared by Bob Branner and his crew.

Sons of Legion will be set up at the Community Park July 4th for breakfast and food throughout the day. Come on out and have some fun and support all of the local non-profit organizations.

We still have a container at the upper side of the Legion lot for those tattered flags so that they can be disposed of properly.

The American Legion and Community Center will be having our Annual Craft Show October 25th and 26th, 2008. The Legion started the Craft Shows many years ago.

Mark your calendars now for this annual event.

Our social hall is for rent for all those special occasions you may have. Call Tom Wilkins at 740-4189 for details.

Anyone interested in joining the Legion should call Charlie White at 740-3437.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



July 2008

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| 3 | Neighborhood Watch Meeting
At the Town Hall | 7:00 pm |
| 3 | Leaf and Grass Pickup (Thursday
Instead of Friday July 4th) | |
| 4 | Town Office Closed in Observance of
July 4th Holiday | |
| 7 | Council Committee Meetings
In the following Order: (1) Finance
And Personnel (2) Public Works
(3) Public Safety (4) Tourism, Economic
Development, and Historic Preservation | 6:30 pm

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| 7 | Planning Commission Meeting | 7:30 pm |
| 11 | Leaf and Grass Pickup | |
| 15 | Water/Sewer Bills Due | |
| 18 | Leaf and Grass Pickup | |
| 21 | Town Council Meeting | 7:30 pm |
| 25 | Last Date to Pay Water/Sewer Bills
Before Disconnect | |
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TOWN COUNCIL

Larry M. Smith, Mayor • John H. Blosser, Vice Mayor
Ripley R. Click • Gary D. Comer • Harry Durrett • Troy Fadeley • Charles E. Litten
Jason J. Ham, Town Attorney

ADMINISTRATION

Evan L. Vass <i>Town Manager</i>	Chad Neese <i>Town Planner/Zoning Administrator</i>
Charles Peery <i>Police Chief</i>	Michael Ritchie <i>Public Works Director</i>
Jeanne K. Rinker <i>Town Clerk</i>	Teresa Green <i>Treasurer</i>

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