



BOROUGH INFORMATION

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Governing Body  
Reorganization  
Meeting  
will be held on  
Tuesday,  
January 3, 2023  
at 7:00 p.m.

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Borough Offices,
Library and DPW
will be closed on
the following days:

Monday,
January 2, 2023
in observance of
New Year's Day

Monday,
January 16, 2023
in observance of
Martin Luther
King Jr. Day

Monday,
February 20, 2023
in observance of
President's Day

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First Quarter Taxes  
are due  
FEBRUARY 1, 2023

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*Dear Fair Haven Neighbors,*

I hope that you and your family had a safe and joyful holiday season. On behalf of the Fair Haven Council and Borough Staff, we would like to wish everyone a happy and healthy New Year.

2022 was very successful for the Borough of Fair Haven, and there are unlimited opportunities to continue the positive momentum in the new year. I am thankful to have met and engaged in personal conversations with so many of you in 2022. If we haven't had the chance to meet personally yet, I look forward to doing so in 2023. I am very humbled and excited to extend my role as Mayor for the next four years. Thank you for your confidence in me.

Recently, we have made tremendous progress on some long-standing issues and projects. For instance, we will finally address one of our local treasures by hydro-raking McCarter Pond. This work will ensure it is enjoyed by the next generation of Fair Haven residents. Also, we recently passed a Restaurant Ordinance that addresses the long-standing confusion regarding fast-food eateries and establishments. We are getting close to updating and strengthening our Land Use and Shade Tree Ordinances to meet the challenges of today's landscape. Also, the Hance and Cooney mill-and-pave project is queued up and ready to go, with Third Street's Phase Two in queue.

At my direction, new advisory committees are being formed to make the Borough more efficient. The Brush and Leaf Committee will review and make recommendations on improvements to the entire process. A new Grant Committee will be tasked with identifying Private, County, State, and Federal Grants that the Borough of Fair Haven can use to help maintain or improve our home with minimal to no cost to our taxpayers. And lastly, we are forming a new Beautification Committee to look at low-cost, high-impact opportunities to further beautify our town.

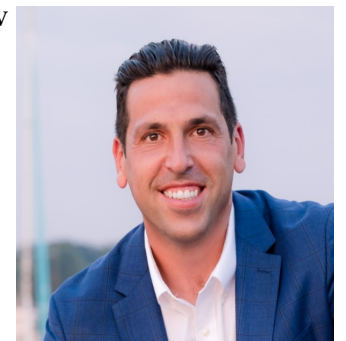
Recently, the Borough sent out a form looking for volunteers for our various Committees, Commissions, and Boards. I encourage you to get involved in any capacity you are comfortable. I remind you of the famous JFK quote, "Ask not what Fair Haven can do for you, ask what you can do for Fair Haven."

At the January 3<sup>rd</sup> Borough reorganization meeting, the Fair Haven governing body will welcome Drew LaBarbera and Kristen Hoey to Council. Please join me in congratulating them on their new roles!

I look forward to continuing this journey with all of you.

With warm regards,

Mayor Josh Halpern



## From the Borough Administrator

On February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023, I will begin my thirteenth (13<sup>th</sup>) year as Fair Haven's Borough Administrator. Over the past twelve years there have been many exciting changes in this wonderful community, yet I think most people would agree that Fair Haven still has a very special small-town feel. I am also very much aware that the residential housing stock in Fair Haven has transformed during my tenure and our downtown has a renewed vibrancy, thanks to the ongoing support of residents. I realize that growth and change can sometime impact quality of life considerations, but please be assured that the Borough has processes and procedures in place to effectively deal with contractors who are either non-compliant with Borough ordinances and/or just plain inconsiderate of how their actions can impact the neighborhood. If at any time you have a concern, or specific complaint, related to noise, parking, littering, etc., please immediately call the Fair Haven Police Department's non-emergency number at 732-747-0991 and a Police Officer will respond, in as timely a manner as possible. If your concern is related to zoning, construction code issues or code enforcement considerations, you are welcome to contact me directly and I will forward your concern to the appropriate Borough Official.

I would be remiss if I didn't recognize and thank the many outstanding Borough staff members and countless volunteers who have worked with and supported me for the past twelve years. More importantly, I have had the professional privilege to consistently work with a series of very educated and informed Governing Body Members, who have all willingly volunteered their time to help make Fair Haven a wonderful community. I am looking forward to working with Mayor Halpern and the 2023 Council Members, recognizing that there are still many important decisions to make when it comes to Borough Facilities and pending capital projects. Lastly, I realize that I have received ongoing support and a great deal of very valuable input from many Borough residents, and I am always very grateful to everyone who takes the time to reach out to me. Please know that my door is always open and that I am never too busy to speak to anyone who lives, or works, in Fair Haven. If you have any comments, questions, or concerns, feel free to contact me at my office by calling 732-747-0241, or via my Borough email account, [tcasagrande@fhboro.net](mailto:tcasagrande@fhboro.net).



May 2023 bring much happiness and good health to you and yours.

Best regards,

*Theresa Casagrande*

### 2023 TRASH COLLECTION

#### JANUARY

**Trash - Zones 1 & 2**  
**Thursday, January 5th**  
 Monday, January 9th  
 Monday, January 16th  
 Monday, January 23rd  
 Monday, January 30th

**Trash - Zones 3 & 4**  
 Tuesday, January 3rd  
 Tuesday, January 10th  
 Tuesday, January 17th  
 Tuesday, January 24th  
 Tuesday, January 31st

#### FEBRUARY

**Trash - Zones 1 & 2**  
 Monday, February 6th  
 Monday, February 13th  
 Monday, February 20th  
 Monday, February 27th

**Trash - Zones 3 & 4**  
 Tuesday, February 7th  
 Tuesday, February 14th  
 Tuesday, February 21st  
 Tuesday, February 28th

**Single-stream recycling is picked up every Wednesday for all zones! Please check our Borough website for Recycle guidelines!**

# From the Clerk's Desk



## OFFICE OF THE CLERK

### Welcome 2023!!

At this time, I would like to thank Councilwoman Meghan Chrisner-Keefe and Councilman Michael McCue for their time, talent and dedication on Council. It was a pleasure working with you both.



I would like to congratulate and welcome Councilwoman Kristen Hoey and Councilman Andrew "Drew" LaBarbera as they begin their terms on Council. I wish you both luck and look forward to working with you both over the next three years.



### The Governing Body for 2023 is as follows:

- Mayor: Joshua Halpern
- Councilmembers: Tracy Cole, Kristen Hoey, Elizabeth Koch, Andrew LaBarbera, Laline Neff and Christopher Rodriguez

The 2023 Council Meetings will commence at 7:00 p.m. prevailing time, with in-person and hybrid or via Zoom Platform broadcast from Borough Hall, 748 River Road, Fair Haven, New Jersey on the following dates:

- Tuesday, January 3, 2023 Reorganization**
- Monday, January 23, 2023
- Monday, February 6, 2023
- Monday, February 27, 2023
- Monday, March 13, 2023
- Monday, March 27, 2023 (Knollwood School, 1:30 p.m.)
- Monday, April 17, 2023
- Monday, May 8, 2023
- Monday, May 22, 2023
- Monday, June 12, 2023
- Monday, June 26, 2023
- Monday, July 10, 2023
- Monday, July 24, 2023
- Monday, August 14, 2023
- Monday, September 11, 2023
- Tuesday, September 26, 2023**
- Tuesday, October 10, 2023**
- Monday, October 23, 2023
- Monday, November 13, 2023
- Monday, November 27, 2023
- Monday, December 18, 2023



Please reference the Borough's 2023 Calendar for other important dates and information.

### NO KNOCK

Registration Ordinance. There is a NO KNOCK Registration Ordinance in effect which allows you to register with my office to be placed on a NO KNOCK list so solicitors will not approach your home, if you choose. When an applicant applies for such a license and if they are approved, they will be given a copy of the list (address only) of those who have registered. Hours have also been set for solicitation from 10:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. Please keep in mind that there are organizations that are federally exempt from state and local regulations and can approach your home at hours other than what has been set. I will also be providing exempt organizations with the list of NO KNOCK registrants and ask for consideration. If you have already registered your property, you do not need to re-register.

### Street openings

are not permitted between November 15 and March 31 of any year unless it is determined by the Mayor and Council to be of an emergent nature and upon the recommendation of the Director and/or Assistant Director of Public Works.

Best Wishes for a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous 2023!  
*Allyson M. Cinquegrana, RMC/CMR, Borough Clerk*



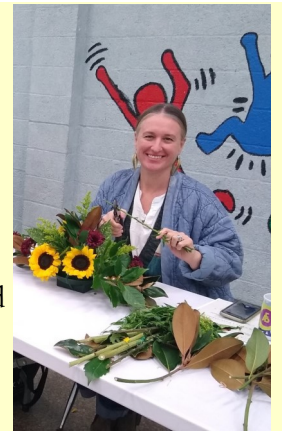
## Fair Haven Environmental Commission Happenings

The Fair Haven Environmental Commission's ("FHEC") mission is to discuss and recommend to the Fair Haven Governing Body various environmental programs and policies that will protect, improve, and enhance environmental sustainability within the Borough. The FHEC's ongoing goal is to achieve efficient management of natural resources and spaces, promote a sustainable community, and foster community-wide environmental awareness. The FHEC works in conjunction with the "boots on the ground" Green Team to achieve these goals. To that end, the FHEC recently discussed the feasibility of moving forward with a deferred capital project that includes the development of a living shoreline at Williams, Albert and Robards Park, located at the terminus of DeNormandie Avenue. A living shoreline will provide resiliency and help stabilize the shoreline. It is a nature-based solution as compared to a bulkhead, making it better for the ecosystem. Zack Royle of the American Littoral Society spoke at the September meeting and noted the shoreline at the park is fairly stable; the main issue is the degrading of the coastal bluff, which is a 45-degree steep bluff. Assistant Engineer Poruchynsky believes the visual impact and opportunity to create educational awareness with this project is significant. FHEC has recommended that Council resurrect this project and seek funding for rain gardens, a living shoreline, and stormwater management solutions to preserve this park.

Best wishes to Ralph Wyndrum who is retiring as the long-time Chairman of the Environmental Commission after 12 years but will still remain as a valued member of the FHEC. Many thanks to Ralph for his many years of FHEC leadership!



The Garden Club of Fair Haven held its first flower arranging workshop at the public library. All the women had a great time and went home with a beautiful centerpiece and the knowledge on how to make a centerpiece again. Pat Corboy, Cassy Abel and Terry Simboli helped to keep everyone on task as Lee Davidson led the lesson on floral design. There were 10 women that signed up at the FH library for the class. Look for another class in the Spring.



## Garden Club of Fair Haven News

### Wreath making fundraiser

72 wreaths! That's the number sold for our fundraiser. Wreaths were adorned with a choice of festive ribbons, ornaments of many colors, white, gold or silver hydrangeas, white gold, or silver pine cones, (or natural), dried orange slices or cinnamon sticks, extra greenery and white birch boughs and lots of wire to hold everything together.

Participants left happy with their decorated wreaths, and it was fun to see their creations.

## 2023 Line Officers for FIRE and FIRST AID



### 2023 FIRE CHIEFS

Fire Chief: Richard Brister, Jr.  
Deputy Chief: Matthew DePonti  
First Asst Chief: Kevin Countryman  
Second Asst Chief: Matthew Bufano



### 2023 FIRST AID OFFICERS

Captain: Kathy Grabowy  
1st Lieutenant: Brian Allison  
2nd Lieutenant: Marcos Rivera



### 2023 FIRE POLICE

Captain: Marty Coy  
1st Lieutenant: David Kearns  
2nd Lieutenant: Richard Andres, Jr

We wish them and the department a safe and successful year and thank them for the countless volunteer hours they give to our community.

*Library News.....by Donna Powers, Library Director*



Start the New Year Right

Visit your Local Library!!

### Some fun facts for the *New Year 2023* brought to you by your local library!

New Year's celebrations are not a new thing. Many of the traditions we celebrate started long ago. See some of these interesting facts about New Year's.

1. The earliest recorded festivities in honor of a new year's arrival date back some 4,000 years to ancient Babylon.
2. Auld Lang Syne is a Scottish folk song made famous in America by Canadian bandleader Guy Lombardo in the late 1920s.
3. Champagne production skyrocketed from 300,000 to 20 million bottles per year between 1800 and 1850, as the world started ordering more for ship christenings and New Year's celebrations.
4. Kissing someone at midnight is said to come from the idea that doing so will prevent loneliness during the coming year and ward off evil spirits.
5. Ancient Romans are credited with the kissing tradition because of their Saturnalia festival. It was a celebration honoring Saturn, the god of time.
6. The island nation Kiribati in the Central Pacific is the first location to ring in the new year each year.
7. American Samoa is the second to last place to celebrate the new year behind Baker and Howland Islands, which are both uninhabited.
8. The most common resolution people make is to get healthier.
9. Each year, it is estimated that 80 percent of New Year's resolutions are abandoned by February.

Celebrating the first baby of the New Year has been a symbol of the holiday since around 600 B.C., starting in ancient Greece when an infant was paraded around in a basket in celebration of Dionysus, the god of fertility (and wine). The baby represents a rebirth.

**We hope your New Year is a healthy and happy one!**





# caring for our community

## 2022-2023 Fair Haven Community Appeal

### The Fair Haven Community Appeal for 2022-2023 is going strong!

You can mail your check using the envelope provided with the Appeal letter, or donate easily online at: [bit.ly/FHCA2022](http://bit.ly/FHCA2022)

The Community Appeal is an independent 501(c)(3) organization, and all donations go to programs that rely on funding in addition to your tax dollars.

When donating online, please identify in the comments section to which organizations your contribution should be directed:

FH Library  
 FH Recreation Commission  
 Interfaith Neighbors (Meals-on-Wheels)  
 The ARC: Monmouth Unit  
 Mental Health Association  
 180 Turning Lives Around  
 FH Shade Tree Commission  
 FH Fields Natural Area  
 Garden Club of Fair Haven

Last year the Appeal provided over \$31,000 to these nine organizations; we hope to provide even more in this year's campaign.

Thank you for your generosity and thank you to everyone who has already donated!

*Sincerely,  
 The Fair Haven Community Appeal  
 Committee*



2023  
Municipal  
Calendars  
have been  
mailed!!

If you didn't receive your copy in the mail, please stop by our Borough office and pick one up at Borough Hall!

## BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR COMMITTEE

The Be A Good Neighbor Committee, with the support of Knollwood School's Superintendent McNeil and Principal Romano, are partnering with students in Knollwood's 6th to 8th grades, to provide snow shoveling services for Fair Haven's seniors and disabled residents who have no family, neighbors or others to assist them during snow events this winter.



- Former adult participants received their application forms in October. Students received their sign-up forms through the school.
- For new requests or questions call Ruth Blaser (732) 842-4228 or email Rachel Griffin at [thegriffinfive@gmail.com](mailto:thegriffinfive@gmail.com)
- The committee is also seeking adults willing to assist seniors with small chores and/or drive seniors to appointments, shopping, banking, etc.

**In well-connected neighborhoods fewer lives are lost in tragedies, and people who know their neighbors are generally cheerier and healthier.**





**Bulk Pick-Up will resume in January 2023**

**ZONES 1 & 2—Thursday, January 5, 2023**  
*(Due to the New Year Holiday, both Trash and Bulk Pick-up for Zones 1 & 2 has been rescheduled for Thursday, January 5th)*

**ZONES 3 & 4—Monday, January 9, 2023**

## Help us out

USE THESE 3 BASIC RECYCLING RULES TO HELP GET IT RIGHT:

1. Recycle clean bottles, cans, paper and cardboard.
2. Keep food and liquid out of recycling.
3. No loose plastic or bagged recyclables.



**JANUARY ONLY CHRISTMAS TREES** will be picked up at your curbside



Please, no Brush or Leaves

## PARKS and RECREATION NEWS

Be sure to stay in the know regarding new events, camps, last minute cancellations and more!!!  
 On our website: <http://fairhavernj.org/content/recreation.html>  
 On Facebook: @ Borough of Fair Haven On Twitter: @ FAIRHAVEN\_REC On Instagram @ FAIRHAVEN\_REC  
 Or join our Rec E-blast system: To join, please email [Recreation@fhboro.net](mailto:Recreation@fhboro.net)

Please check the Recreation portion of the Borough website for updates on spring sports, camps, and events!

Spring Sports registration will take place in January. This information will be posted on the Recreation website and sent out via Recreation Department E-blasts.

Join the Fair Haven Recreation E-Blast list! Simply send a request to [Recreation@fhboro.net](mailto:Recreation@fhboro.net) and we will be sure to add you to our list!

- Follow us on Instagram @FairHaven\_Rec



## FAIR HAVEN SENIORS ARE MEETING!

Don't forget! The Fair Haven Seniors meet the third Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. at Bicentennial Hall.

Contact Jeannine Maloney at [jeanninemaloney@comcast.net](mailto:jeanninemaloney@comcast.net) for more information

# 2022 Fair Haven Turkey Trot

The Ninth Annual Fair Haven Turkey Trot was well attended early in the day with plenty of runners, walkers, and holiday revelers under clear and sunny skies on Thanksgiving morning. Kids and adults came out to trot, walk their pets, and play some games throughout Fair Haven Fields. Many contributed donations to the annual U.S. Marines’ Toys for Tots drive, which continues in town for a few more weeks. The crowdsourced hot cocoa and snacks were a hit for all attendees. The event is produced annually with no cost and no registration making it easy to participate. We even had folks visiting family from across the eastern seaboard as far as Massachusetts and Maryland.



Overwhelming attendance with 200 people showing up on a stunning day for a trot, activities, and refreshments.

The winners of the three-lap course winners were Sean Bailey, 14:20 (second from left) and Kristan Dietz, 15:58 (second from the right). And the winners in the under 18 category, Finnley Reid Knollwood fifth grader, 16:39 (middle left) and Isabella Rodriguez RFH sophomore, 17:02 (middle right). Each winner took home a handcrafted Turkey Trot Trophy to proudly display on their Thanksgiving dinner table.

It took a few folks to stage the community event. Next year there will be a race committee formed to handle the growing needs and allow the event to continue to blossom. A big shout out to the Fair Haven governing body members and residents for working the aid stations distributing food and beverages. Special shout out to Christine Braceland for the amazing photographs.

The annual race and toy drive are supported by dozens of local families with contributions to the event supplying race essentials and toys for those less fortunate this holiday season. The annual tradition vaulted to a new level for its participants and took full advantage of the wonderful park setting with sun-drenched fall weather. All the participants and organizers are looking forward to continuing and expanding the tradition in 2023.

PHOTO CREDITS: Christine Braceland



**Pictures left to right:**  
*FH Mayor Josh Halpern, Sean Bailey, Finnley Reid, Isabella Rodriguez, Kristan Dietz, Council President Chris Rodriguez*





# Fair Haven Police Department



## Snow and Ice Removal

### from Vehicles and Sidewalks

#### **N.J.S.A. 39:4-77.1a – Failure to Remove Snow/Ice from Motor Vehicle**

Each driver of a motor vehicle, operated on a street or highway in this State, shall have an affirmative duty to make all reasonable efforts to remove accumulated ice or snow from exposed surfaces of the motor vehicle prior to operation. Surfaces shall include, but not be limited to, the hood, trunk, windshield, windows, roof of the motor vehicle, the cab of a truck, the top of a trailer or semitrailer being drawn by a motor vehicle and the top of an intermodal freight container being carried by an intermodal chassis. A person who violates the provisions of this subsection may be stopped on a street or highway by a law enforcement officer who believes the accumulated ice or snow may pose a threat to persons or property regardless of whether any snow or ice is dislodged from the motor vehicle.

## Special Needs Registry

In April 2016, the Monmouth County Special Needs Registry website began accepting new registrants. The goal of the registry is to ensure all Monmouth County residents who have special needs are able to get the help and support they need in a time of emergency or during interaction with Law Enforcement, Fire or EMS personnel. It is open to any person who has a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities due to a physical and/or intellectual disability. Further information can be obtained at [www.MCSNRNJ.org](http://www.MCSNRNJ.org) or contact our SNR liaison Patrolman Eric Patton at 732-747-0241 ext. \*333 or [epatton@fhboro.net](mailto:epatton@fhboro.net).



## OVERNIGHT PARKING



**NO OVERNIGHT PARKING**  
is in effect from **November 1st- April 1st**

from **2:00 a.m.- 5:00 a.m.** on all Borough streets.

If you need to park a vehicle on the street during these times, please call 732-747-0991, to be put on the overnight parking list for that night. If you need an extended period of time, please come to Police Headquarters Monday-Friday 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. and fill out a request for extended overnight parking. The police will be enforcing this Borough Ordinance so please follow the procedures.

### **Borough Code 14-6.1 —Snow and Ice Removal Required; Time Limit.**

The owner, tenant or occupant of any building or lands abutting upon any street within the Borough of Fair Haven shall cause the sidewalk in front of the property to be cleared of snow or ice to a width of at least two (2) feet within twenty-four (24) hours after the cessation of the snowfall or formation of ice. In case of ice on the sidewalk, should it be impracticable to remove same, then the sidewalk shall be covered with sand or some other suitable substance so as to cause the sidewalk to be made safe and convenient for persons traveling thereon.

Remember not to leave your vehicles in the street if there is a chance that it may snow. Also, if you have a corner property, it is your responsibility to shovel the sidewalk in front of your residence and on the side.

## **PART-TIME CROSSING GUARDS NEEDED**

Fair Haven Borough is hiring part-time crossing guards. Please call 732-747-0241 ext. \*329 or [jkoetzner@fhboro.net](mailto:jkoetzner@fhboro.net).

Anyone interested in becoming a part-time crossing guard, please contact Patrolman John Koetzner at Police Headquarters at 732-747-0241 ext. \*329.



## Newsletter of the Borough of Fair Haven

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### Mayor Joshua Halpern

Councilwoman Tracy Cole  
Councilwoman Elizabeth Koch  
Councilwoman Laline Neff

Councilwoman Kristin A. Hoey  
Councilman Andrew LaBarbera  
Councilman Christopher Rodriguez

Borough Administrator—Theresa S. Casagrande  
Municipal Clerk/Assistant Administrator—Allyson Cinquegrana  
Chief Financial Officer—Colleen Lapp  
Assistant CFO/QPA—Nancy Britton  
Police Chief—Joseph P. McGovern  
OEM Coordinator—Chief Joseph P. McGovern  
Director of Engineering/Public Works/Planning Board Engineer—Richard Gardella  
Assistant Director of Engineering/Public Works—Nicolas Poruchynsky  
Zoning Officer—Nicolas Poruchynsky  
Tax Collector—Debra Marchetti  
Tax Finance Assistant—Cydnei Singleton  
Administrative Assistant/Registrar/Dir of Communications—Betty Ann Berube  
Parks & Recreation, Special Projects Administration—D.J. Breckenridge  
Planning, Zoning and Code Compliance Officer—Joseph Mulé  
Planning Board and Zoning Board Secretary—Sandra Papa  
Construction Code Official - Nick Fabiano  
Code Enforcement—Officer Brock Seibert  
Tax Assessor—Gregory Hutchinson  
Administrative Assistant, Main Office—Krystie Larsen

Happy  
New Year

Non-Emergency Police 732-747-0991

## All Other Borough Meetings as Noticed at Borough Hall and Borough Website

### 2023 BOROUGH MEETINGS

#### COUNCIL MEETINGS

Monday, January 3, 7:00 p.m. (Reorganization Meeting)  
Monday, February 6, 7:00 p.m.

Monday, January 23, 7:00 p.m.  
Monday, February 27, 7:00 p.m.

#### ZONING BOARD

Thursday, January 12, 7:15 p.m.  
Thursday, February 2, 7:15 p.m.

#### PLANNING BOARD

Tuesday, January 17, 7:30 p.m.  
Tuesday, February 21, 7:30 p.m.

#### RECREATION COMMITTEE

Tuesday, January 10, 7:30 p.m.  
Tuesday, February 7, 6:30 p.m.

#### SHADE TREE COMMISSION

Wednesday, January 4, 7:30 p.m.  
Wednesday, February 7, 7:30 p.m.

#### HISTORIC COMMISSION

Tuesday, January 24, 7:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, February 28, 7:00 p.m.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Wednesday, January 11, 7:30 p.m.  
Wednesday, February 8, 7:30 p.m.

#### FAIR HAVEN FIELDS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, January 17, 7:00 p.m.  
(Bicentennial Hall)



## 2023 DOG/CAT REGISTRATION

On behalf of the Dog Registrar, please remember to renew your dog and/or cat license. All dog and cat licenses expired on December 31, 2022.

The 2023 licenses will be sold beginning **January 3, 2023**. A grace period will be granted until January 31, 2023; after that date, a **\$5.00 penalty per month** will be assessed. Rabies vaccinations must be renewed for 2023 if the vaccination expires prior to **November 1, 2023**.



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2023

