



January 2022 Newsletter

Mayor's Message



Happy New Year!

I hope everyone had great and safe holidays again this year. I was looking forward to a better year in 2022 for all of us but it looks like a “wash rinse repeat” of last year.

Please take every precaution you feel will keep you safe and healthy during these upcoming months so you can be together with your family and friends. Also don't forget to take a moment to reflect on those loved ones that are no longer with us for whatever reasons so they may not be forgotten.

I wish everyone a Healthy & Happy New Year!

Jim Still, Mayor



Civic Club News

Mountain Park Civic Club Invites You all to join us for 2022!! It is an opportunity to get to know your neighbors and enjoy planning, and supporting your community through various service activities, projects, and community events.

Yearly membership is \$5.00/person or \$15.00 per family of 3 or more

Our New Officers for this year are:

President-Tasha Norland

Vice President-Kelly Dorsey

Treasurer-Dee Lansche

Secretary-Suzanne Close

Civic Club Meeting

Tuesday January 11, 2022

Community Building

Thanks to all who participated in the Holiday Tree Celebration "Under the Stars and Around the Fire Pits" with S'mores, Hot Cocoa and Hot Cider.

There was Music and Caroling and much visiting.



ANNUAL FISHING AND BOATING PERMIT RENEWALS

The new year means that all boating and fishing permits purchased in 2021 have expired as of 12/31/2021. The applications for the new 2022 permits can be picked up by coming to City Hall or found online at our website <https://mountainparkgov.com>. The pricing is included below for residents of Mountain Park.

Fishing Resident Rates

\$25/year

\$10/week

\$5/day

Boating Resident Rates--Yearly

\$15 – canoes, kayaks, & sailboats

\$30 – boats with electric trolling motors (Lake Cherful ONLY)

Gasoline powered watercraft are not to be used by anyone.



Know Your City Code

BUSINESS LICENSE APPLICATIONS ARE DUE BY MARCH 1, 2022



Sec. 14-31. - Definitions.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Home occupation means any use, occupation or activity conducted entirely within a dwelling by the residents thereof which is clearly incidental and secondary to the use of the dwelling for residence purposes and does not change the character thereof, and in connection with which there is no display; no stock-in-trade nor commodity sold or stored on the premises, and no person not a resident on the premises is employed specifically in connection with the home occupation; provided, however, that no mechanical equipment is installed or used except such as is normally used for domestic purposes, and that not more than ten percent of the total floor space of any dwelling is used for home occupation. "Home occupation" shall include the use of premises by a physician, dentist, lawyer, clergyman or other professional person for consultation or emergency treatment, but not for the general practice of the profession.

Sec. 14-33. - Permitted in residential districts.

Home occupations, as defined in section 14-31 may be established in a dwelling in a residential district. The following requirements and restrictions shall apply in addition to all other applicable requirements, provisions and restrictions of the Code of the City of Mountain Park, Georgia:

- (1) Home occupations are subject to the occupational taxes set forth in Chapter 54, in section 54-101 through section 54-136 of this Code of Ordinances.
- (2) No accessory buildings or outside storage shall be used in connection with the home occupation.
- (3) No internal or external alterations inconsistent with the residential use of the building shall be permitted.
- (4) Only one vehicle designed and manufactured to be used primarily as a passenger vehicle shall be permitted in connection with the conduct of the home occupations.
- (5) No equipment that interferes with radio and/or television reception shall be allowed.
- (6) There shall be no exterior evidence of the home occupation.
- (7) No use shall create noise, dust, vibration, odor, smoke, glare or electrical interference that would be detectable beyond the interior of the dwelling unit.
- (8) All activities associated with the home occupation shall be conducted entirely within the dwelling unit and only persons residing in the dwelling unit shall be employed to perform those specific home occupation related activities which occur at the location of the home occupation.
- (9) No more than ten percent of the interior square footage of the dwelling unit shall be used for the conduct of the home occupation.
- (10) No use shall involve any type of public contact in connection with the home occupation other than occasional and incidental public contact, which shall be limited to no more than two non-resident visitors at any one time at the location of the home occupation and furthermore, no article, product, or service shall be sold, traded or exchanged on the premises other than by telephone.
- (11) No business vehicles, materials or equipment shall be stored or parked on the exterior of the dwelling except that one vehicle as described in subsection (4) of this ordinance and used exclusively by the resident may be parked at the location of the home occupation.
- (12) No off-site employees of the home occupation shall congregate on or adjacent to the premises for any purpose concerning the home occupation.
- (13) No home occupation shall be operated so as to cause a nuisance or create a fire hazard or any other hazard to public safety.

IMPORTANT DATES

January 5th.....Siren Testing @ 12pm

January 8th.....Dumpster Day 7am-10am

1. Must provide proof of residence in the City of Mountain Park.
2. ONE TRUCKLOAD OR TRAILER LOAD PER RESIDENCE.
3. All yard debris must be cut into 3 feet sections or less.

Please note that this is a service provided by Waste Pro as a courtesy and the City of Mountain Park does not have any control over what time they arrive/depart or the rate which the dumpster fills and the amount it can hold. Please plan accordingly. Thank you!

January 12th.....New Council Swearing In Ceremony @ 7pm

January 15th.....Council Retreat 10am-3pm

FOR NEW CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS at City of Milton Community Building: This is a planning session for newly sworn in council members. The public is welcome to attend the planning session, but may only be a silent observer during the event.

January 17th..... City Hall Closed

January 26th.....Work Session @ 7pm

FOR CITY COUNCIL: Citizen Participation is welcome – Please give at least 24 hours advance notice if you wish to be added to the agenda by contacting City Hall.

January 31st..... Regular Council @ 7pm

****REMINDER****

Water bills are due by the last day of every month. Please use the drop box at City Hall or pay online at https://mtnpark.secure.munibilling.com/customers/sign_in. Payments received on the 1st of the month or later will be assessed a \$25 late fee.

****REMINDER****

Please ensure you put your cans out the night before after 6pm or by 7am on Wednesday and leave them at the curb until they are picked up. Please remove your cans from the curb by 8am on Thursday. No garbage will be taken that is left outside of the trash containers. No yard debris is allowed. If your trash or recycle pick-up is missed please contact City Hall Thursday morning before 12pm by calling 770-993-4231 or emailing utilitybilling@mountainparkgov.com.

****REMINDER****

If you see a street light out in the City of Mountain Park please contact City Hall at 770-993-4231 to report it.

CHAIR YOGA

with Julie

at the Mountain Park Community Building

Join us for fun and flexibility

All ages and levels welcome

Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11A.M.-12P.M.

Zoom or in person

RSVP when possible 404.434.4030

Chairs provided, bring a mat

Donations

