



Town of Boyce, VA

Town Monthly Newsletter May 2021

Mayor - Richard D. Kibler

Town Recorder: Dennis Hall - **Council Members:** Carol Coffelt, Floyd Hudson, Zack Hudson, Whitney Maddox
Town Manager - David Winsatt, **Town Treasurer** - Linda Bishop, **Code Enforcer** - David Clarke

Planning Commission Members: Temporary Chair - Zach Hudson and Town Council Liaison, Linnea Goodwin, Elizabeth "Betty" McCorkle, Currently has 2 openings.

Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) Members: - Chair - TBD, Vice Chair - David Perkins, Secretary - David Hough, Betty Brock. Currently has 2 openings.

Town of Boyce Representative to the Clarke County Parks and Recreation: - Stephen Bacci

Town of Boyce Representative to the Clarke County Board of Supervisors: - Beverly McKay

Welcome to the Town of Boyce, VA. This newsletter is sent out each month after the Town Meeting that is held on the first Tuesday of the Month. The next Town Council Monthly Meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 1st, 2021 with a start time at 7:00 pm at the Boyce Volunteer Fire Company - Social Hall. This meeting will have Public Hearing(s). Town Council meetings are always open to the public.

The Town Hall office hours are as followed:

Monday – 8 am – 1 pm

Tuesday – 3 pm – 8 pm

Wednesday – 3 pm – 8 pm

Friday – 8 am – 1 pm (Weeks 1, 3, 4 (5th if applicable))

Saturday – 8 am – 1 pm (Week 2 of each month)

Due to the Covid-19 and to protect our Town Employees we have in place a small table on the porch with hand sanitizer and face masks for the town residents to wear who enter the building. When the resident leaves the building, we will do a routine disinfecting of all areas after each customer. If you are not feeling 100%, we ask that you do not come into the building. We do have a night deposit box that you can drop off your business or you can use the mail system; our address is 23 East Main Street, (P.O. Box 209), Boyce, VA, you can call 540.837.2901 or email at Boyceva@verizon.net. To let you know that the Town Hall is "Open" we will have a Sandwich Board outside the building on the sidewalk with **Open for Business**.

The Town's **Code Enforcer** is **David Clarke** and he can be reached at 540.837.2901 or email at codeenforcer@boyceva.net if you have a complaint or concerns. His job duties are to enforce the town codes. He has an official identification badge from the Town of Boyce and he will not be carrying a weapon. He is allowed to walk up to your front door to talk to you but he is not allowed to walk on other parts of your property unless the resident gives him permission.

Town Council: Town Council Member and Town Recorder Ruth Hayes is no longer on the Town Council, Mrs. Hayes is moving to Berryville and her last day was April 30th. A Council Member must live in the Town of Boyce to be on the Council. At the Town Council Meeting on Tuesday, May 4th, the Council appointed Dennis Hall as the temporary Town Recorder to finish out Mrs. Hayes position. Also, the Town Council appointed Carol Coffelt as a temporary Town Council Member to finish out Town Council member Dennis Hall position. Mr. Hall has moved up to temporary Town Recorder. Both temporary positions expire December 31st, 2021 and will be on the November Election Ballot. See below for more information on the November Election.

Town Council has (3) Seats openings that will open January 1, 2022: This year the Town of Boyce will have up for "Election" three (3) Council seats this November. There will be (2) two Council Elected Members and (1) Elected Recorder/Town Council Member seat. The 3 positions are for a four (4) year term. The duties of a **Town Council Member** are tasked with representing the interests of their constituents. In addition to proposing, passing, and ratifying laws and ordinances as well as overseeing the town's budget. The Council Members meet on the first Tuesday of each month for the Monthly Town Council Meeting and on the last Tuesday of each month for a Work Session Meeting. The **Town Recorder** is required to keep the minutes/journal of the proceedings at a Council Meeting and is charged with preserving the records of the municipality. In the absence of the Mayor, the **Recorder** is invested with all of the powers of

the Mayor as Vice Mayor. To qualify to be on the Council you must be a resident of Boyce and have lived in Boyce for 6 months and be 21 years old. There is a small stipend that goes with these positions. To get on the “**Election Ballot**” for the fall election in November you can sign-up with the Clarke County Election Board of Elections in Berryville. Contact Barbara Bosserman at 101 Chalmers Ct., Berryville, VA 22611, (second floor), 540.955.5168 or email at vote@clarkecounty.gov. The Deadline to sign up to be on the **November Election Ballot** is **Open NOW. The last day to get your name on the ballot will CLOSE on June 8th, 2021.**

At the **Town Council Public Hearing meeting** on April 6th, the Town Council voted to make Whiting Avenue a One-Way Street going from North to South - (Old Chapel Avenue to East Main Street). This ordinance is to regulate traffic within the Town of Boyce to include speed limitations, designation of roadways into a single direction, and allowance for installation of speed bumps and other traffic calming devices where the Council deems appropriate. The signage will be put up on both ends of the street and will go into effect June 1st.

At the **Town Council Public Hearing** on April 6th, the Town Council voted to add an additional \$200 fine to a speeding ticket that is issued on North and South Greenway Avenue - Route 340 by the Clarke County Sherriff's Department or the State Police. The current speed limit is 35 mph. This will go into effect once the signage is posted on both ends of North and South Greenway Avenue - Route 340.

Planning Commission Openings: The Town of Boyce is now recruiting two (2) Town residences to be a part of the Planning and Zoning Commission. This opportunity is “**to promote orderly development of the town and its environs**”. The Planning and Zoning Commissioners are responsible for preparing and recommending to the Town Council the comprehensive plan and zoning for adoption and reviewing. Commissioners meet once a month and a small subsidy is given each month. A person with local municipal experience would be of great help. If interested, contact the Town Manager at above number/email.

Note: Zack Hudson a Town Council Member and also the Town Liaison appointed to the Planning Commission has been appointed the Temporary Chair until the Town Council can find 2 additional members.

Board of Zoning Appeals aka BZA: The Town of Boyce is now recruiting (2) Town residences to be part of the BZA. This opportunity is “*to hear and decide appeals of decisions made by the zoning administrator; it may also grant variances from the requirements of the zoning ordinance.*” The BZA meets only when needed. If interested, contact the Town Manager at the above number/email.

Sidewalks: VDOT to replace some of the Broken Sidewalks and Grinding Off Tripping Hazards along Rt. 340 - North/South Greenway Avenue and Rt. 723 - East/West Main Street. The monies are from the maintenance funds that the County has freed up. VDOT expects the work to be completed by June 15, 2021.

Burn Permit: When open burning is to occur within the Town of Boyce the person responsible for the burning shall obtain a permit from the Town Manager prior to the burning. Such a permit may be granted only after confirmation by the Town Manager that the burning can and will comply with the provisions of this Town Ordinance and any other conditions that are deemed necessary to ensure that the burning will not endanger the public health and welfare or to ensure compliance with any applicable provisions of the State Air Pollution Control Board's Regulations for the Control and Abatement of Air Pollution. The permit may be issued for each occasion of burning or for a specific period of time deemed appropriate by Town Manager. **You must get a Burn Permit and the Town Burn Rules from the Town Hall before you burn;** there is no cost for the burn permit.

Yard Sale Permits: The Town Code sections 90.30-90.34 require any resident of the Town of Boyce who would like to hold a yard sale to acquire a permit from the Town Hall. There is NO cost for a yard sale permit. The ordinance states that yard can be held between 8:00 am and 6:00 pm. Yard sales shall not be conducted longer than two consecutive days. A resident may hold two yard sale during the year.

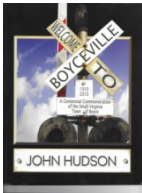
Town Trash Pick-up is every Tuesday. Please have your trash out by 8 am.

The Town of Boyce provides solid waste trash pickup each Tuesday but no longer will collect recyclables. The schedule Spring Clean-Up was cancelled and rescheduled for the fall. The Town does not provide trash containers. The weekly collection permits each household or business to put out a Large Trash can up to 95 gallon plus an additional 3 bags. Residents are allowed to put out the trash after 3 pm on Monday afternoon but not before. **The company that picks up our trash each week has requested that all cardboard boxes be broken down.** Residents are not allowed to put out yard items, i.e. - grass, leaves, limbs, etc. Also, residents are not allowed to put out TV's, appliances, AC units, etc.

Note: Residents are not allowed to bring in trash from other places for Boyce to pick-up, a warning letter will be sent if this happens and that resident trash will not be picked up thereafter.

If you should have a street light out in front of you residents, please let the Town Manager know so we can get the light fixed, email the Town Manager at Boyceva@verizon.net with your name and your address.

BINGO at the Boyce Volunteer Fire Company - Social Hall. Bingo is held on Thursday at 7 pm and Sunday at 1:30 pm of each week. For more information call 540-837-2317. It is a requirement that everyone wears a mask, excluding individuals that have a medical condition prohibiting them from wearing one. Masks will be provided at the door for those who do not have one. While volunteer members will do their best to monitor social distancing, it is recommended to maintain 6ft between all who are not members of the same household. No one with a fever or symptoms of COVID-19, or known exposure to a COVID-19 case in their prior 14 days, is permitted.



In 2010 the Town of Boyce celebrated its Centennial of the Incorporation of Boyce in 1910. John Hudson, a former resident of Boyce wrote a paperback book called *“Welcome to Boyceville, 1910-2010”*. This book is well illustrated with many old photos of the Town as well as the history. The price of the book for is on sale and reduced to **\$10.00**, the price was \$25.00. You can pick up a copy at the Town Hall.

Town Website: The Town has a website with all of the Town’s information on it for your use. The website can be found at www.boyceva.net. On the website you can find the Town Ordinance, Comprehensive Plan, Subdivision Ordinance, Zoning Ordinance and the Boyce Historic District information. Also, on the website we will be adding the Monthly Town Meeting Agendas and the Monthly Town Meeting Minutes. We also have the following permits that are needed for the residents; they are Business License Application; Open Burning Permit; Yard Sale Permit and Allowance of Chickens Permit. On the front page of the website we will post important information as to what is going on in the town.

Residents Emails: The Town would like to get all of its resident emails so we can send out this Monthly Newsletter and any other public notices. Your email will not be shared to anyone outside of Boyce. Please complete the form enclosed and send back to the Town Office or you may email your email to mayor@boyceva.net. By giving the town your email, the town will save on postage and email town updates. So far, we have **160** residents’ emails and we thank you, you’ve saved the town postage. If you wish not to receive this monthly newsletter, please let us know.

It’s Mowing Season: Did you know it’s illegal to leave grass clippings in the roadway. The Code of Virginia 18.2-324 says no one may throw or deposit any substance onto a road that creates a hazard to the traveling public. Any persons violating the provisions shall be guilty of a Class I misdemeanor. On some roads, this includes not only cars, but bicycles and motorcycles.

The Town Manager has had several noise and speeder complaints. Call the Clarke County Sheriff’s Department in Berryville at 540-955-1234 and file a complaint. The Sheriff’s Department will handle the complaint.

Up-Coming Meetings - All are Open to the Public, please join us.

Planning Commission Work Session: Wednesday, May 11, 2021 -6:30 pm - Town Hall

Planning Commission Meeting - Monday, May 24, 2021 - 7:00 pm - Town Hall

Town Council 2021-2022 Budget Work Session: Thursday, May 13, 2021 - 6:00 pm - Town Hall

Town Council Work Session - Tuesday, May 25, 2021 - 6:00 pm - Town Hall

June Town Council Meeting - Tuesday, June 1, 2021 - 7:00 PM - Budget Public Hearing - Boyce Volunteer Fire Company - Social Hall

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

The Town will have a Special Town Clean-Up Day. This will take place on Tuesday, May 11, 2021 the same day as the regular trash day, so mark your calendar.

Items must be placed on the curb in front of your house by 7 am Tuesday, May 11th.

1. Disposal fees for the following items which are collected by the landfill will be passed onto the residents.

The cost will be as followed:

Televisions - \$15.00;

Console TV's - \$20.00;

Computer Monitors - \$10.00;

UPS (Uninterrupted Power Supplies - batteries, etc. - \$5.00;

The above items must have a sticker prominently displayed and you can buy the sticker(s) at the Town Office.

2. Items that are free for pick-up will be Furniture, Appliances such as Microwave(s), Washer(s), Dryer(s), and Refrigerator(s).

3. **No** yard trash, hazardous waste, tires, lawn equipment or gasoline powered engines will **not** be picked up.

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