



# DECEMBER

## *Town of Boyce, VA*

### Town Monthly Newsletter - December 2020

Mayor - Richard D. Kibler

Town Council Members: Dennis Hall, Ruth Hayes, Floyd Hudson, Zack Hudson, Whitney Maddox

Town Manager - David Winsatt, Town Treasurer - Linda Bishop, Code Enforcer - TBD

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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 December Town Council Meeting was held on December 1<sup>st</sup> at the Town Hall. The next Town Council Monthly Meeting will be held on January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021 with a start time at 7:00 pm. Town Council meetings is always open to the public.

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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 (5<sup>th</sup> 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 P.O. Box 209, Boyce, VA, you can call 540-837-2901 or email at [Boyceva@verizon.net](mailto: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**.

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**Town Hall Holiday Hours:** Wednesday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> 8 am to 1 pm, Closed Thursday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, Closed Friday, December 25<sup>th</sup>. The Town Hall will reopen on Monday, December 28<sup>th</sup> at 8 am.

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The Mayor and Town Council would like to welcome Linda Bishop, a retired CPA to the Town as our new Town Treasurer. Linda can be reached at the Town Hall at 540-837-5297.

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The once a year, **Town of Boyce, Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes** were due on December 5<sup>th</sup>. The Taxes were late going out and the due date is moved to January 5<sup>th</sup>. After that date a late fee will apply. If you have not paid them please do so. If you have a mortgage on your home your **Real Estate Taxes** were mailed to your mortgage company and they will pay the tax thru your escrow account. **Personal Property Taxes** are for any vehicle you owned in the Town of Boyce for the past year; that could be ownership for one month to 12 months. If you have any question, call or email the Town Treasurer 540-837-5297.

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The Town of Boyce sponsored its **1<sup>st</sup> Holiday Outdoor Decorating Contest** on Sunday, December 13<sup>th</sup>. The contest was open to all the town's residents and businesses. The contest was to show the spirit Boyce really has by lighting and decorating up the town with holiday galore. Participants were allowed to use any type of holiday decoration - lights, blow molds, inflatable's, nativity display, wreaths, garlands, ribbons and bows, etc. All entries were judged on overall Appearance, Creativity and Originality. The panel of judges was driven around by the Mayor of Boyce, Richard Kibler in a 15 passenger van. The panel of judges were: The Honorable Jay Arnold - Mayor, Town of Berryville, Sally Levi of Berryville, The Honorable Charles Harbaugh, IV, Mayor, Town of Middletown, Nina Burke, Retired - Clarke County & Frederick County High School - Art Teacher of Middletown, Clarke County Sheriff Anthony Roper & wife, Karen of Boyce. Jeff Burke of Middletown was the auditor for the event. The Town had 12 entries. The Winners were chosen and they are as followed: First Place of \$100 went to Jimmy Lloyd & Marie Longerbeam, 108 North Greenway Ave; Second Place of \$75 went to Paul & Sharon Hartman, 142 West Crescent St; Third Place \$50 went to Sharon Phipps, 1 East Crescent St. The Town also awarded 4 Honorable Mentions Certificates and they went to: Kurt & Jodi Baier, 302 Old Chapel Ave; Adam Hughes, 102 East Main St; Sherry Newman, 133 Roseville Ct; Roseville Vet Clinic, 26 South Greenway Ave, and those who were awarded Participant Certificates were David & Nelly Ferreira, 6 Whiting Ave; Ben & Brenda Jenkins, 11 West Main St; Sean & Debby O'Keefe, 124 Roseville Ct; Julie Outland, 3 Whiting Ave; Zoe Anne Vaughan, 113 West Main St. The prize money for this event was from a donation that was made to the Town of Boyce; no tax money of the Boyce Residents was spent on this event.

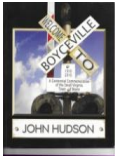
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If you should have a street light out in front of you residents, please call or email the Town Manager at the above number/email with your name and your address so we can get it fixed.

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**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. Check the **"Light Board"** in front of the Social Hall for possible cancellations of Bingo due to the new Covid-19 regulations that just went into effect.

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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 holidays are coming up and this would be a great gift to give or to keep for yourself. The price of the book for the holidays is on sale and reduced to **\$10.00**, the price was \$25.00. You can pick up a copy at the Town Hall.

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The Holidays are coming up so remember to support the local **Retail Businesses** we have in Boyce, they are **The Other Elizabeth - Elizabeth Locke Jewels** at 17 East Main Street, open Saturday and Sunday afternoons, 540-837-3088; **The Fox & Pheasant** at 114 East Main Street, open Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, 804-205-4605; and the **Quilt and Kaboodle** at 104 East Main Street, appointment only, 703-307-0230.

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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](http://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.

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**Town Trash Pick-up is every Tuesday.**

**We have a new Trash Company and they are coming early. 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. 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.

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This is the Boyce Town Code on Snow and Ice Removal for the Residents.

**§90.15 REMOVAL OF SNOW AND ICE FROM SIDEWALKS (A)** The owner or occupant or any person having the care of any building or lot of land abutting on any paved sidewalk within the corporate limits of the town shall, within the first eight (8) hours of daylight following the time any snow, ice or sleet has ceased to fall, cause the same to be removed from such sidewalk; provided, that sleet or ice, when it cannot be removed without injury to the pavement of the sidewalk, shall be covered within the same period of time with sawdust, ashes or some other environmentally friendly material which will render the sidewalk safe for pedestrian travel. **(B)** Where conditions set forth in subsection (A) above are not complied with, and the street on which the property is located has been plowed by the town or its agents, the Mayor or his designee shall immediately notify the owner or occupant, and such notification shall be served by the Enforcement Official or Town Clerk. **(C)** If the conditions set forth in subsections (A) and (B) above are not complied with within twenty-four (24) hours from the time of the notification, the Mayor or Enforcement Official may cause the owner or occupant to be charged with a violation of this section. **(D)** If after twenty-four (24) hours from the time of notice provided in subsection (B) the conditions set forth in subsection (A) are not complied with and the owner or occupant has been charged with a violation pursuant to subsection (C) above, the town may cause the conditions to be complied with. The cost thereof shall be charged to and collected from the owner of the property affected in any container provided by law for the collection of state and local taxes. Penalty, see § 10.99 for a class 4 misdemeanor.

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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 [boyceva@verizon.net](mailto:boyceva@verizon.net). By giving the town your email, the town will save on postage and email town updates. So far, we have **143** 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.

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Open Meetings to the Public, please join us.

Town Planning Commission - Monday, December 28, 2020 - 7:00 pm - Town Hall - **CANCELLED**

Committee Members - Chair - Dennis Utterback, Linnea Goodwin, Town Council Liaison - Zack Hudson, Patrick Knight, Mary Martin and Elizabeth "Betty" McCorkle

Town Council Work Session - Tuesday, December 29, 2020 - 6:00 pm - Town Hall

January Town Council Meeting - Tuesday, January 5, 2021 - **7:00 PM** - Town Hall

Other Information:

Board of Zoning Appeals - Chair - TBD, Vice Chair - David Perkins, Secretary - David Hough, Betty Brock and Carol Coffelt. This board meets when needed.

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

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***Wishing all a Safe and Happy Holiday!***

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