

Huntsville Happenings

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Town Council Meetings are the 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month @ 7.00 p.m.

Planning Commission Meetings are the 4th Thursday of each month @ 7.00 p.m. The public is always welcome!

WATER EMERGENCY?

If you have a water emergency please call Scott Richardson @ 801-698-1867

LANDFILL UPDATE

The landfill will be open until Nov. 5. After that it will be closed for the season.

EMAIL BLAST

If you are not receiving emails from the Town and you would like to start receiving them. Please call Gail @ 801-745-3420 and leave your email address so it can be added to the Town's Email Blast. Stay Informed!

TOWN BUILDING FOR RENT:

The Town is taking applications for persons interested in renting the Historic Telephone Building on 200 S. Please leave a message on the town phone 801-745-3420 if you are interested in renting it for an office or business location. Rent will be \$300 per month.

EVENTS AT THE LIBRARY:

Book Discussion in the Valley

Nov. 2, at 7:00 p.m.

Smoke Gets in Your Eyes

International Games Day: Retro Gaming at the Library

Saturday, Nov, 26 from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Movie Madness (Tues's at 6:30 p.m.)

X Men, Days of Future Past (PG 13) Nov 8

X Men, Apocalypse (PG 13) Nov 22

Cinema Saturday's at 2:00

All Dog's Go to Heaven (G) Nov 5

The Secret Life of Pet's (PG) Nov 12

Ice Age, Continental Drift (PG) Nov 19

Ice Age, Collision Course (PG) Nov 26

Dear Citizens of Huntsville,

In the Declaration of Independence, it states, "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness. — That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed..."

Just as is stated in our Declaration of Independence, our town government wields what power it does possess from the consent of the governed. Our laws and ordinances exist because we, as a community, elected our Town Council and Mayor and delegated to them the power to create these ordinances. Many, if not most of us in town, have either served on the Town Council and/or Planning Commission or will serve at some future time. These laws were created by us and for us, to enable us to live together in harmony.

The reality is that when we as citizens decide that a certain ordinance is not important, stupid, or does not apply to ourselves, we are not only breaking the laws of the Town, but we are also guilty of wrongdoing to our own friends and neighbors. These same friends and neighbors have given a certain amount of their own rights and powers to the town government in exchange for the right to live in town with the expectation that fair laws are created that protect their right to live in peace and harmony.

Having said this, may we bring to your attention a list of the top five ordinances that could use a little more attention. These issues have been brought to our attention again and again as issues that you and/or your neighbors wish the Council would enforce better.

Please help us out by evaluating yourself and making corrections as needed.

Title 1 – Animal Control. Most specifically we receive numerous complaints of dogs not being on a leash, not being contained on the owner's property, defecating on the neighbor's lawn, barking throughout the night or all day, etc.

Title 2 – Nuisance Ordinance. Noise. Between the hours of 10 PM and 8 AM, any noise originating from your property should not be able to be heard within 50 feet of said property.

Title 2 – Nuisance Ordinance. Garbage and Junk. Please keep your properties clean and clear of garbage and junk that are unsightly and unsanitary.

Title 8.5 – Alleyways. Alleyways are for the use of all residents and are intended to provide vehicular access to property owners to the backs of their property. No fencing, vehicles, structures, garbage, junk, or landscaping shall be placed such that it blocks access to and through the alleyways. **Please keep the alleyways clear.**

Title 41 – Off Highway Vehicles – These OHV's are allowed on Huntsville roads, but only when operated by a person **16 years of age or older** with a valid license. It is never legal for children to operate OHV's on Huntsville Roads or alleys.

As members of the Town Council, we invite everyone to review the Town's ordinances found online and to bring yourselves into compliance with these ordinances. If any of these ordinances seem too restrictive, unfair or just plain wrong, please pursue changes to the ordinance through proper means.

Sincerely,

The Mayor and Town Council.