

Seat Pleasant News

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CITY OF SEAT PLEASANT

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DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

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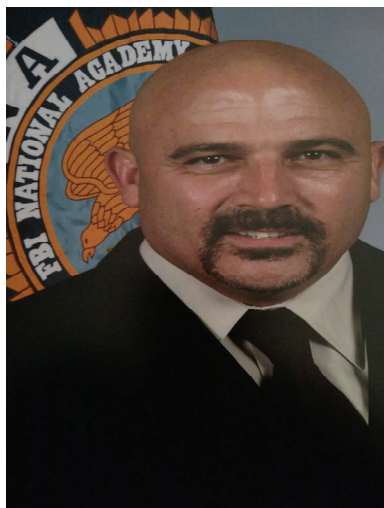


The Maryland Health Connection is the marketplace for Maryland individuals and families to compare and enroll in health insurance and determine eligibility for Medicaid and other assistance programs, federal tax credits and cost sharing reductions. The MHBE works with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Maryland Insurance Administration, Department of Human Resources and stakeholders state-wide.

Call the Consumer Support Center for additional information:

1-855-642-8572

**The next open enrollment period for 2016 coverage is scheduled from
Nov. 1, 2015 to Jan. 31, 2016.**



On September 18, 2015, Chief Cotillo, along with 225 other law enforcement executives, from 219 different police agencies, including the Armed Forces and 23 different countries, graduated from the FBI National Academy, Session 261. This 10 week course of instruction included a rigorous academic and physical fitness schedule which concluded with the infamous "yellow brick road" a 6.2 mile obstacle course / run. Chief Cotillo is the only Chief in the history of the Seat Pleasant Police Department to graduate from this prestigious executive leadership school. Congratulations to Chief Cotillo!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



If you are a resident of Seat Pleasant and are in need of assistance for the upcoming Holiday, The City of Seat Pleasant is here to help.

Thanksgiving Dinner

Residents who are low income may enter a lottery to receive a gift card or a Thanksgiving basket.

Registration will begin October 19th and ends November 13, 2015.

PROOF OF INCOME IS REQUIRED TO REGISTER

Please call 301-336-2600 for details.



All veterans and family members of veterans are invited to our annual veterans day ceremony. You must

RSVP to attend please call
301-336-2600.

**Wednesday November 11, 2015
10 a.m.**

Seat Pleasant Activity Center



**Cereta Lee
Register of Wills**

**December 10, 2015
10 a.m.**

**Seat Pleasant City Hall
Council Chambers
6301 Addison Road
Seat Pleasant, MD 20743**

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

SEAT PLEASANT CITY COUNCIL HOLIDAY FOR KIDS EVENT

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2015

2:00P.M.-4:00P.M.

SEAT PLEASANT CITY HALL

6301 ADDISON RD.

SEAT PLEASANT, MD



**PRESENTING:
SANTA'S PRESENT**



Santa Claus is off to make King Swing laugh as a present for Christmas.

After rehearsing his act, Santa lays down to take a nap before he goes down the castle chimney.

As Santa sleeps, *Freddie*, a tiny gingerbread man, comes to life. King Swing shows up! Freddie proceeds to go through a series of *hilarious* tricks, making King Swing roar with laughter in doing so and bringing the best Christmas gift of all: the gift of LAUGHTER!!!

FREE

AGES: 12-UNDER

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED!

Mayor's Update



Mayor Eugene W. Grant took a group of Seat Pleasant youth to attend a Public Forum on Civilian Rights. This forum discussed how our youth should conduct themselves when interacting with Law Enforcement. This very informative event helped our young people understand both their rights as well as their responsibilities. We want to ensure that we don't have any unfortunate situations between our youth and Law Enforcement. Senator Victor Rameriz and Central Committee Member Donnie Arrington of the 47th Legislative District hosted the event. Lt. Earl Ivey of the Seat Pleasant Police Department also attended the forum.

Mayor Eugene W. Grant hosted Maryland Lt. Governor Boyd Rutherford at Seat Pleasant Elementary School: A School of Excellence. Lt. Governor Rutherford donated over 100 books to the school's library on behalf of Governor Larry Hogan. While at the school Lt. Governor Rutherford visited several classrooms talking with both teachers and students. The Mayor and City Council would like to thank the Lt. Governor for his visit and donation to our school.



Mayor Eugene W. Grant has been hosting the Commercial Driver's License (CDL) Book Club on Sunday's in Goodwin Park. The CDL Book Club is a free class helping people obtain a CDL license. Former Seat Pleasant residents Jeff Mills (whose father served on the City Council) and George Queen are the leaders of the CDL Book Club and are the instructors for the classes. The classes are FREE! To date, we have served over 300 residents and citizens. We applaud these young men for giving back to their community.



Mayor Eugene W. Grant participates in the annual Help for Hygiene Project sponsored by the Prince George's County Young Democrats (PGCYD). Over the past four years, the PGCYD has worked with their members and community leaders to solicit and collect donations to support women in the Shepard's Cove Shelter. Hundreds of supplies are given to women who stay at the shelter and are in transition. The City of Seat Pleasant was one of the sites that collected items. We thank the City Council, Staff and Residents of Seat Pleasant who assisted.

Mayor Eugene W. Grant along with Councilman Reveral Yeargin of Ward III met with U.S. Senator Benjamin Cardin, (D) MD to discuss federal issues impacting municipalities. Councilman Yeargin asked questions concerning Veteran benefits. This meeting is held once a year by the Senator with municipalities from around Prince George's County. Mayor Grant discussed general topics regarding municipal resources at the federal level in his capacity as Vice President of the Prince George's County Municipal Association.



Mayor Eugene W. Grant was among the few mayors from around the country who was invited to discuss with President Barack Obama about Criminal Justice Reform. There are 2.2 million people in U.S. prisons; 25% of the world's prisoners are in U.S. prisons; representing 25% of the world's prison population; yet the U.S. only represents 5% of the world's population. One in 35 African American men, one in 88 Latino men are in prison; however, only one in 214 White men are in prison. We must end the School to Prison Pipeline. Mayor Grant stands with the President in Criminal Justice Reform.



If you desire to speak before the Council at the Public Session, please contact the City Clerk to register your concerns before the meeting.

CITY OF SEAT PLEASANT ETHICS COMMISSION

The City of Seat Pleasant is seeking interested parties for the Ethics Commission. In accordance with the Seat Pleasant City Code the duties of the Ethics Commission are listed below. The interested parties shall contact the City Clerk and **complete the application.**

§ 18-5. Ethics Commission.

There is a City of Seat Pleasant Ethics Commission that consists of five members appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the affirmative vote of a majority of the City Council.

(1) All members must reside and be registered voters in the City when they are appointed and during their terms of office.

CITY OF SEAT PLEASANT PERSONNEL APPEALS BOARD

The City of Seat Pleasant is seeking interested parties to the Personnel Appeals Board. In accordance with the Seat Pleasant City Code the duties of the Personnel Appeals Board are listed below. The interested parties shall contact the City Clerk and **complete the application.**

§ 30-1. PERSONNEL APPEALS BOARD.

There is a City of Seat Pleasant Personnel Appeals Board that consists of five members appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the affirmative vote of a majority of the City Council. A member of the Personnel Appeals Board shall not be an employee, elected or appointed official of the City of Seat Pleasant or a member of any other committee, board or subcommittee of the City.

(1) All members must reside and be registered voters in the City when they are appointed and during their terms of office.

All submissions for consideration **MUST** can be filed in the **office of the City Clerk**, Seat Pleasant City Hall, 6301 Addison Road, Seat Pleasant, Mary-

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

The City Council actions in the months of September:
The Seat Pleasant City Council did not have any legislation action during the month of September.

MONTHLY MEETINGS

The City Council meetings for the following days in the months of
November and December 2015, January 2016:

Monday, November 2, 2015

Regular Work Session

Time: 6:00p.m.

Monday, November 9, 2015

Public Session

Time: 7:00p.m.

Monday, December 7, 2015

Regular Work Session

Time: 6:00p.m.

Monday, December 14, 2015

Public Session

Time: 7:00p.m.

Monday, January 4, 2016

Regular Work Session

Time: 6:00p.m.

Monday, January 11, 2016

Public Session

Time: 7:00p.m.

The meetings will be held at:

Seat Pleasant City Hall

Council Chambers

6301 Addison Road

Seat Pleasant, MD 20743-2125



COUNCIL PRESIDENT CORNER

The City Council actions in the month of November:



The Mayor and City Council wishes you a Happy and safe Holiday Season!

FY2017 BUDGET

The City Council will be preparing for the FY2017 Budget and we are encouraging you to present any budget recommendations to your Ward Representative or contact the City Clerk directly with your information.

The elected officials meeting attendance for the month of September:

Mayor & Councilmember	Public	Work Session	Special	Closed
Eugene Grant	U	P	A	N/A
Johnie Higgs, Sr.	P	P	P	P
Kelly Porter	P	P	P	P
Elenora Simms, Ward I	P	P	P	P
Aretha Stephenson, Ward II	P	P	P	P
Reveral Yeargin, Ward III	P	P	P	P
Gerald Raynor, Sr., Ward IV	P	P	P	P
Eugene Kennedy, Ward V	P	P	A	L
P-Present				
C-Cancelled				
N-None				
A-Absent				
E-Excused				
L-Late				
U-Unexcused				

Notes: The City Council held two Closed and Special Session meetings in the month of September.

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6301 Addison Road
Seat Pleasant, Maryland 20743



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FIRST CLASS
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IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

SEAT PLEASANT POLICE DEPARTMENT	301-499-8700
PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY NON-EMERGENCY	301-352-1200
SEAT PLEASANT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT	301-336-2331
BATES TRASH	301-773-2069
CITY HALL/CALL-A-BUS	301-336-2600
METRO ACCESS	301-562-5360
PEPCO/OUTAGES & WIRES	202-833-7500/ 877-737-2662
PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY DEPT. OF AGING	301-265-8450
PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY DEPT. OF SOCIAL SERVICES	301-909-7025
PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY ELECTION BOARD	301-341-7300
PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY THE BUS	301-883-5600
WASHINGTON GAS/EMERGENCY	703-750-1000/ 703-750-1400
WSSC/EMERGENCY	301-206-9772/301-206-4002
SEAT PLEASANT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	301-925-2330
CARMODY HILLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	301-808-8180
G. JAMES GHOLSON MIDDLE SCHOOL	301-883-8390
CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL	301-499-7080
FAIRMOUNT HIGH SCHOOL	301-925-1360