

The Mayor's Corner

BY MAYOR BETH A. TAYLOR

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I welcome the opportunity to talk to you regarding your ideas and concerns. I can be reached by phone, mail or email.



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Volunteer Opportunities

Would you like to volunteer to serve on a Town of Wytheville committee, board, commission, or authority?

There are current vacancies/upcoming vacancies for the following:

- **Building Code Appeals Board**
- **Recreation Commission**
- **Economic Development Authority**
- **Tree Advisory Committee**

Please contact **Sherry Corvin, Town Clerk**, for more information (276-223-3349 or sherryc@wytheville.org). The application that must be completed is online through the OpenGov portal on the Town's website.

VOLUNTEER

Save the Date

Christmas Activities in Downtown Wytheville

The Annual **Christmas Parade** will be held on **Saturday, December 2, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.**



This year's theme is **"A Christmas Melody: Celebrating the Songs of Christmas"**

For all the latest information on the parade, other activities, and how you can participate, visit :

www.DowntownWytheville.org/Christmas-Celebration-Parade

Cold Weather & Our Furry Friends

It is that time of the year when the temperature starts to drop, and we need to take into consideration the safety and well-being of our pets. Today, I will specifically address canines. No matter how these furry friends came into our lives, we accepted them as part of our family, and it is the owner's responsibility to care for them and follow the State Law to keep them safe. If you witness an animal emergency or urgency, call 911 and your message will be delivered to the appropriate animal control officer. If you do not have the resources to properly protect your animal during cold weather, please call my office at 276-223-3356 and I will endeavor to connect you with assistance or resources to address the situation.

Here's some Cold Weather Tips to keep in mind:

Adequate Shelter -

At 32 degrees or less, no owned animal should be left outdoors unless they have access to a well-insulated structure that:

- Is large enough to curl up in and has a wind block at the door.
- Includes a heated water bowl so they have access to an unfrozen water source.
- Has a floor, is elevated from the ground, has cedar shavings, dry straw or the equivalent, and has heating or an outdoor heating pad.
- Includes a food bowl with a minimum of dry food available.

Walking Your Dog -

- Consider shortening your walks if the temperature is too frigid and increase indoor exercise.
- Ask your veterinarian if your pet would benefit from additional clothing beyond their "fur coat" in chilly weather.
- Watch for any signs of injury or extreme cold to their paws especially in snow and ice.

Warning Signs -

- Trembling • Sleepiness • Slowed Breathing • Mobility Issues • Dry Skin • Numbness • Illness



Council Actions

October 11, 2023 - Special Called Meeting:

- Conducted a public hearing and approved a resolution to authorize the issuance of General Obligation Bonds in the maximum amount of \$843,000 to be used to acquire a refuse truck and a dehumidification unit for the Town.

2023 Heritage Ornament

The 2023 Heritage Ornament is finally here!
Just in time for the holidays!

The collectible ornament features the Haller-Gibboney Rock House Museum - the Town of Wytheville's first museum. The Haller-Gibboney Rock House is celebrating 200 years! The historic home was built in 1823.

This ornament has been updated from the original ornament (issued in 1998) and is available for purchase at the **Thomas J. Boyd Museum for \$20** (plus tax).



The museum is open **Wed-Fri from 10-4** (closed 12-1 for lunch) or call **276-223-3330** or email **marcellat@wytheville.org**.

COME WORK WYTHE US!
Full and Part Time Positions Available!

If you are interested in working for the Town of Wytheville, or you know someone who might be, I encourage you to visit:

www.wytheville.org/employment



Wytheville has a bright & vibrant future, full of growth. A new year gives us the opportunity to reach into the future for new & exciting projects. Please consider donating to your favorite department!

DONATE LAND • MAKE A MEMORIAL GIFT • MAKE A DEFERRED GIFT
DIRECT GIFT OF CASH OR SECURITIES (STOCKS & BONDS)
PLEDGE & BUILD YOUR LEGACY (MONTHLY CONTRIBUTION)

DONATE ONCE • DONATE MONTHLY • LEAVE IN YOUR WILL

You can choose the department you wish to support!
All donations are tax deductible!
Remember to ask your employer if they match employee donations!

For more information call the Town of Wytheville
Treasurers Office at 276-223-3333

**Tuesday,
December 19, 2023**



Winterfest is back!!!

Join us as we kick off Winter Break with bounce houses, inflatable obstacle courses, games, snacks, and more!

**FEE: \$5
NO REGISTRATION NEEDED**

4TH - 8TH GRADE
12:30 - 5:00 PM



3RD GRADE & UNDER
5:30 - 8:30 PM





Animal Shelter



Fire Department



Police Department



Crystal Springs



Parks & Recreation



Beautification



Department of Museums