

## May 2019 Newsletter

### ~MESSAGE FROM YOUR MAYOR~



Spring has arrived and it's time to get out and enjoy this beautiful community we live in. This also means that invasive plants like English Ivy and Wisteria will start to cover your large trees and eventually kill them. Even though they can be beautiful to look at, please cut back these vines from around your trees so they don't become distressed and die or get blown over during spring storms. If you have any questions about the best way to handle this situation reach out to your Civic Club since they are working to address this concern as well.

Don't forget to come down to "The Mountain Park Farmer's Market" starting on Tuesday May 7<sup>th</sup> on the Green or at the Lake Side Pavilion. We will have several vendors offering fruits, vegetables, eggs/milk, crepes and fresh meats straight from the garden & farm. Check out the City of Mountain Park Nextdoor Neighbor page for more details.

We are continuing to monitor the situation with Beazer Homes, the Cherokee county development just outside the city limits of Mountain Park. Building pace of homes has increased and we are eager to get this phase over with since it causes the most potential issues for us downstream.

Remember this is an election year and we need responsible citizens to step up and serve their community by being a candidate for office. You do not need experience or training, just good "common sense" and the ability to do what is "in the best interest of all citizens in our community" as a leader. **Qualifying starts in August.**

I am proud of how things are going for this community and think that at the close of this fiscal year we are in the best financial shape we have been in for many years if not ever. I look forward to the public budget meetings and I would like to see things like lowering our millage tax rate and/or needed enhancements around town be discussed for the future. Plan to attend and let your thoughts & ideas be heard. Scheduling for these meetings will be posted as soon as they are determined.

Thanks and have a great spring in "The Park".

Jim Still- Mayor

*"I must do something" always solves more problems than "Something must be done." ~Author Unknown*



### **KNOW YOUR CITY CODE**

This section of the newsletter is to familiarize residents with content found in the official City Code book. We will periodically print selected sections. For a full version of the City's Code, please visit [www.mountainparkgov.com](http://www.mountainparkgov.com) Click on City Publications and select Codebook from drop down menu.

#### **Per Chapter 6-section 6-134-Protection of Wildlife:**

-It shall be unlawful for any person within the corporate limits of the city to:

- ❖ *Intentionally harm or injure or kill any wildlife;*
- ❖ *Intentionally use any weapon to harm or injure or kill any wildlife*
- ❖ *Place or set any traps designed to entrap or ensnare any wildlife;*
- ❖ *Intentionally disturb or destroy the nesting or breeding place of any wildlife;*
- ❖ *Knowingly permit dogs and cats to harm or injure or kill any wildlife, or to disturb or destroy the nesting or breeding place of any wildlife; and/or*
- ❖ *Take the eggs or young of any wildlife*

#### **Per chapter 42-section 42-10-Park Hours**

-All city parks and property shall be closed, and no person shall be authorized to be on the premises or property of any city park or property after dark, except authorized city employees or persons engaged in activities authorized by the mayor and council.

#### **Per chapter 42-sections 42-44-Swimming (pool and lakes)**

-No person shall swim in either lake, nor shall any swimmer be admitted to the swimming pool, unless wearing a swimming tag and being in the lawful possession of the same, and being in regulation swimming attire.

-Fees and restrictions for each category of eligible persons shall be fixed from time to time by the mayor and council. Such fees shall be paid before tags are issued and are nonrefundable.

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# Important Dates and INFORMATION

**MAY 4<sup>th</sup>** .....Dumpster Day

1. Must provide proof of residence in the City of Mountain Park.
2. ONE TRUCKLOAD OR TRAILER LOAD PER RESIDENCE.
3. All yard debris must be cut into 3 feet sections or less.

*Please note that this is a service provided by Waste Management as a courtesy and the City of Mountain Park does not have any control over what time they arrive/depart or the rate which the dumpster fills and the amount it can hold. Please plan accordingly. Thank you!*

**MAY 7<sup>th</sup>, MAY 14<sup>th</sup>, MAY 21<sup>st</sup>, May 28<sup>th</sup>** .....Farmers Market Day

**MAY 15<sup>TH</sup>** .....Work Session @ 7pm

**MAY 20<sup>th</sup>** .....Regular Council Meeting @ 7pm  
**FOR CITY COUNCIL: Citizen participation is welcome – Please give advance notice if you wish to be added to the agenda.**

**MAY 25<sup>th</sup>** .....Pool Opens



**City Hall will be closed for Memorial Day, May 27<sup>th</sup>**

**\*\*REMINDER\*\***

**Water bills are due by the last day of every month. Please use the drop box at City Hall or pay online. Payments received on the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month or later will be assessed a \$25 late fee.**



**COME JOIN US AND ENJOY SOME GREAT FOOD BROUGHT BY MULTIPLE VENDERS. THERE WILL BE A VARIETY OF FOODS TO PURCHASE. LET'S HAVE A GREAT TURN OUT SO WE CAN CONTINUE THIS FARMERS MARKET IN THE FUTURE.**



**When: MAY 7<sup>th</sup> from 4pm-7pm**

**Where: City of Mountain Park next to City Hall on the **GREEN** or Lake Side Pavilion**

**\*\*\*POOL TIME\*\*\***

The pool will be opening **May 25, 2019**  
Pool tags will be available **May 1st**

**Resident:**

**Non-Resident:**

\$64.65-adult  
\$53.88-child

\$91.59-adult  
\$64.65-child  
\$247.83-family

\$366.35-family

**Pool Regular Hours 11am-8pm -7 days a week**

**If interested in more hours to swim you can purchase a swim pass for \$30 plus \$10 key fee. (NON-REFUNDABLE)**

\*if you have your key from last year you will not have to purchase one\*

**RESIDENTIAL PUNCH CARDS WILL BE \$50**

**(MUST BE PROPERTY OWNER OR RESIDENT)**

NOTE: PRICES WILL BE SUBJECT TO A 7.75% GEORGIA SALES TAX TO ALL PASSES

**If you are not interested in a pool tag you may pay \$8 for the daily rate.**

**\*\*\*CIVIC CLUB\*\*\***

- ❖ We would like to invite all of our Mountain Park neighbors to join Civic Club and become involved in our Community for planning ways to help make it a better place. Our **Meetings are on the 2nd Tuesday of each Month** at the Ayers Community Building at 7:00 pm. Come down and meet your neighbors and help us plan what events and service projects we can carry out.
- ❖ The Civic Club is working hard to update the Mountain Park Directory (it's been 10 years since the last one was published!) We have received responses from over 90 households, but are still waiting on many updates! Please help us to update the directory by making sure your information is current. You can do so by using this link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/T7PFQVL> or contact Kristy Appleton at [kcappleton@gmail.com](mailto:kcappleton@gmail.com) with any questions regarding the directory.

- ❖ The Mountain Park Civic Club is starting a monthly playgroup. If you have a toddler, or preschool aged child, please join our playgroup! Contact Kristy Appleton at [kcappleton@gmail.com](mailto:kcappleton@gmail.com), or 334-728-4199 for more information.
- ❖ Civic club has 6 people trying to work hard on figuring out how to help the trees here in Mountain Park if you have any further questions please contact: Bill Wiley @ 678-226-9751 or 1844wiley@gmail.com