



## *November Newsletter 2019*

### Mayor's Message



Fall season is upon us and we look forward to the beautiful transformation of color on the trees and the time of year it represents. It's the perfect time of year for the great music at Sundays on the Green. Thanks to Dave Pardue, Bethany Corson and all the talented people involved in providing this great entertainment for our community and kids. Look on the NextDoor web site for the remaining dates for shows.

The holidays are always special for being with family and friends but don't forget about those folks grieving or in need in our communities and have a charitable heart this year. Here in the Park we have suffered a loss of lifetime resident Justin McClimon who passed away recently and will be sorely missed by us all. Also our condolences go out to our longtime resident Patricia Evans for the loss of her son who passed recently as well.

As you may know we will not have an election this year because we had enough qualified candidates to fill the open seats for city council and mayor. I look forward to serving this community for another four years. Thank you for the support and confidence in me as your Mayor as I strive to earn it every day.

Have a wonderful and safe Thanksgiving Holidays.

Jim Still - Mayor



# Civic Club News

## Coffee with Veterans -

Club's next Coffee with Your Neighbors will be in honor of our 24+ veterans in The Park. Please join us on November 9th from 9:30-11am at the Community Building for coffee and muffins, and to get to know your veterans.

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**Directory and Shirt Presales** - For those that pre-ordered a directory and/or shirt thank you so much for your support of the Civic Club! If you have not replied to the emails sent out regarding pick-up, please check your email and respond ASAP so we can get your purchases to you in the most convenient way. Questions can be sent to [civicclubmp@gmail.com](mailto:civicclubmp@gmail.com).

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## LEAVES?????

Again this year the Mountain Park Community Garden is requesting that bags of leaves (no branches, etc. please) be dropped at the Garden (Spruce St. at Mountain Park Rd across from Lake Cherful). There is a sign indicating where to put them. You can either leave the bags or empty them and reuse your bags. If you need them picked up, please call Mike at 404-944-0027.

**The City of Mountain Park extends its condolences to the following families during their time of loss**

**Justine McClimon**- A lifelong resident, daughter of Emily Peters and mother of Sara McClimon a volunteer and lieutenant for MPVFR, has lost her battle to cancer.

**Michael Connelly**- The son to Patricia Evans, a longtime resident.



- Remember to set your clocks back this weekend on November 3<sup>rd</sup>. It is also a great idea to go ahead and change the batteries in your smoke and Co2 detectors.
- On October 1<sup>st</sup> Firefighter Chad Miller was promoted to the position of Chaplain for MPVFR. Chaplain Miller has devoted his life to helping others, in his local church as a youth leader and the fire service by working tirelessly as a full-time Firefighter for Sandy Springs FD, part-time for Roswell FD, and a Volunteer for MPVFR.
- Santa Run will be here before we know it! The date is December 14<sup>th</sup> so get ready!!!

## ~~MPVFR ANNOUNCEMENTS~~



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# Your City Code

## **Sec. 105-149. - Prohibited pollutants.**

- (a) It is unlawful to discharge, or allow to be discharged, pollutants and contaminated water into any:
  - (1) Public street, highway, right-of-way;
  - (2) Storm water conveyance or facility; and
  - (3) Other public/private property that is a part of or drains to the municipal storm sewer system.
- (b) Pollutants that are prohibited include, but are not limited to:
  - (1) Petroleum products including but not limited to oil, gasoline, grease, fuel oil and heating oil;
  - (2) Trash or debris;
  - (3) Pet wastes;
  - (4) Chemicals;
  - (5) Paints;
  - (6) Steam cleaning wastes;
  - (7) Washing of fresh concrete for cleaning and/or finishing purposes or to expose aggregates;
  - (8) Laundry wastes;
  - (9) Soaps;
  - (10) Pesticides, herbicides, or fertilizers;
  - (11) Sanitary sewage;
  - (12) Heated water;
  - (13) Chlorinated water or chlorine, except as exempted in section 105-148;
  - (14) Degreasers and/or solvents;
  - (15) Bark and other fibrous material;
  - (16) Antifreeze or other automotive products;
  - (17) Lawn clippings, leaves, or branches;
  - (18) Animal carcasses;
  - (19) Silt;
  - (20) Acids or alkalis;
  - (21) Recreational vehicle wastes;
  - (22) Dyes (without prior permission of the department); and
  - (23) Construction materials.

(Ord. No. 207, § 8(3), (4), 9-18-1995)

## **Sec. 62-152. - Same—Yard waste collection.**

- (a) The city encourages persons to compost or mulch their yard waste for use on their property, in preference to using city yard waste services, so long as persons have the space on their property to do so and the process remains odor free.
- (b) Yard waste placed in anything other than paper or plastic waste containers and not sealed or properly sized, weighed, bundled and bound in the manner proscribed in this article, will not be picked up.
- (c) Collection of yard waste in sealed paper bags or plastic waste containers shall be limited to no more than eight bags, including the trash container, per time of normal waste management service pickup.
- (d) Yard waste may be picked up at times different from other waste management service pickup times.
- (e) Any changes in collection procedures or definitions contained in this section require the approval of the council and mayor.

(Ord. No. 246-02, § 1, 2-25-2002; Ord. No. 280-05, § 21, 11-21-2005)



# IMPORTANT DATES

November 2nd.....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 Pro 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!*

November 6th.....Siren Testing @ 12pm

November 11th .....City Hall Closed

November 13th.....Work Session @ 7pm

**FOR CITY COUNCIL:** Citizen participation is welcome – Please give advance notice if you wish to be added to the agenda by contacting City Hall.

November 18th.....Regular Council @ 7pm

November 28th and 29th.....City Hall Closed

## **\*\*REMINDER\*\***

Water bills are due by the last day of every month. Please use the drop box at City Hall or pay online at [https://mtnpark.secure.munibilling.com/customers/sign\\_in](https://mtnpark.secure.munibilling.com/customers/sign_in). Payments received on the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month or later will be assessed a \$25 late fee. PayPal payments are no longer an option for paying your utility bill.

## **\*\*REMINDER\*\***

Trash and recycle pick-up is now on Wednesday. Please ensure you put your cans out the night before or by 6am on Wednesday and leave them at the curb until they are picked up. Waste Pro has been out doing pick-ups in the evening as late as 7pm. If your trash or recycle pick-up is missed please call City Hall at 770-993-4231 or e-mail at [utilitybilling@mountainparkgov.com](mailto:utilitybilling@mountainparkgov.com) on Thursday morning to report it.

## **\*\*REMINDER\*\***

If you see a street light out in the City of Mountain Park please contact City Hall at 770-993-4231 to report it.

# Level 1 Drought issued in Fulton and Cherokee Counties

**Please remember that during a Level 1 Drought you may only water outdoors after 4:00pm and before 10:00am.**

Here are some other tips to help with conserving water around your home.

## Bathroom

1. Replace older toilets with high efficiency toilets. You may qualify for a toilet rebate. Go to [www.northgeorgiawater.org](http://www.northgeorgiawater.org) to learn more.
2. Reduce your shower by 2 minutes and you can save 5 gallons per shower.
3. Turn off the water while you shave or brush your teeth and you can save at least 100 gallons a week.
4. Check your toilet for leaks. Put food color in your toilet tank and wait 10 minutes. If it seeps into your toilet bowl, you have a leak.

## Kitchen

1. Scrape your dishes instead of rinsing before placing in the dishwasher and you can save 6 gallons a day.
2. Limit dishwashing to FULL loads, and you can save at least 2 gallons a load.
3. Use the fridge to thaw frozen food.

## Around the House

1. Look for EPA WaterSense and EnergyStar labeled products when shopping for new appliances and fixtures. These products have been independently tested and verified to save to least 20% more water compared to conventional products.
2. Fix leaky faucets as soon as you notice them. A leak of 60 drips a minute wastes 192 gallons a month.
3. Do only FULL loads of laundry. Cutting back one load of laundry can save up to 45 gallons per load.

## Lawn and Garden

1. Water lawns and outdoor plants only between 4pm. and 10am. It's Georgia law.
2. More plants die in Georgia from overwatering than under watering. One inch of rain or water every 7-10 days is all your plants need.
3. Adjust sprinklers so only your lawn is watered and not the house, sidewalk or street.
4. Install a rain sensor so your system won't run when it's raining.
5. Landscape with native plants or plants well adapted to our region.
6. Water the base of the plant instead of leaves. This saves water and reduces disease.
7. Group plants with the same watering needs together.
8. Use a broom instead of a hose to clean your driveway, sidewalk and deck.

For more information you can visit <https://epd.georgia.gov/watershed-protection-branch/water-conservation>

# Summary of Lake Options from Cardno's 2017 Report

- **Do Nothing:** Annual maint. \$15k,
- Useful life 65 years
- **Add Weir/Spillway No Dredging:** Annual maint. \$45k
  - Weir: \$299k to \$399k
  - Spillway: \$659k to 759k
- Useful life 82 years
- **Dewater, dredge:** Annual maint. \$45k
  - 40k cubic yds: \$2.2M to \$2.9M
  - 80k cubic yds: \$3.1M to \$5.9M
- Useful life: 100 to 130 years
- **Dewater, dredge, & weir:** Annual Maint. \$45k
  - 40K cubic yards: \$1.6M to \$3.2M
  - 80k cubic yards: \$2.2M to \$5.9M
- Useful life: 150 to 180 years

		Annual	10 Year	20 Year
Homes	Cost of Solution	Amortization	Amortization	Amortization
250	\$ 300,000	\$ 1,200	\$ 120	\$ 60
250	\$ 500,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 200	\$ 100
250	\$ 750,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 300	\$ 150
250	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 400	\$ 200
250	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 600	\$ 300
250	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 800	\$ 400
250	\$ 2,500,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 500
250	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 12,000	\$ 1,200	\$ 600
250	\$ 4,000,000	\$ 16,000	\$ 1,600	\$ 800
250	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,000

Note: data excerpted and summarized for simplicity, please review full report for detailed options. Financial variations largely occur due to options related to disposition of dredge and Fed/State designations impacting our wetlands.