

December 2025



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The Town office will be closed December 24th, 25th & 26th, 31st, January 1st & 19th, & February 16th



A NEWSLETTER FROM THE TOWN OF TAPPAHANNOCK



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What's Happening in Tappahannock?

Message from the Town Manager

My first three months as the Tappahannock town manager have been incredibly rewarding. I have been welcomed with open arms by staff, members of Council, and residents. You have made this transition as positive and seamless as possible. I thank you for that.

The end of the year is a time for reflection, and one of the Town's proudest achievements is phase two of the Central Park project which is nearing completion. This beautiful space has quickly become a crown jewel and a welcoming gathering place for young families.

As we look to the new year, we plan to engage residents in a deeper way by listening to your voices, understanding your vision for the Town's future, and working together to enhance quality of life in Tappahannock. One example is our goal to achieve the international designation of a City/Town of Kindness, recognizing communities that actively engage residents in efforts that better the lives of all and reflect a shared commitment to one another.

I look forward to continuing to collaboratively enhance the wonderful community that is Tappahannock. I wish you and your families the happiest of holidays and a fruitful and blessed new year.

Important Notice

Winter is here, and with it comes the risk of freezing temperatures that can cause damage to your home. The Town of Tappahannock encourages all residents to take a few simple steps to winterize their properties. One important task is to turn off outdoor spigots and disconnect hoses to prevent leaks and burst pipes caused by freezing water. Taking these precautions now can help protect your home and save you time and money later.

Business Licenses

2026 Business License Renewals will be mailed out the first week of January. All license taxes must be filed and paid by March 1, 2026 to avoid a 10% penalty.

2026 Canine & Feline Tags

2026 Canine & Feline Tags were available for purchase beginning November 1. All pet owners are reminded to bring a current rabies certificate when purchasing tags.

Central Park Phase II Update

We're excited to announce that Phase II of Central Park is close to completion.





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Important Due Dates

Meals Tax & Lodging Tax:
The 20th of Every Month

Utility Bills

Billing Period: 10/15/2025 -12/14/2025

Due Date: 01/30/2026

Cut-Off Date: 02/12/2026

Billing Period: 12/15/2025 -02/14/2026

Due Date: 03/30/2026

Cut-Off Date: 04/08/2026

Upcoming Public Meetings

Upcoming Planning Commission and Town Council meetings will be held at Town Hall, starting at 7 PM:

Planning Commission Meetings:

January 7, 2026

February 4, 2026

Town Council Meetings:

January 12, 2026

February 9, 2026

Holiday Garbage & Recycling Schedule

Garbage Pickup

Normal pickup: Dec 24, Dec 26, Dec 31, Jan 1

No pickup: Dec 25 (Christmas Day)

Recycling Pickup

No pickup: Dec 25 and Jan 1

Recycling resumes the following week.



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Never Miss a Payment Again — Sign Up for Auto-Pay!

Want your utility bill charged automatically to your debit or credit card? Great news — you can now set this up online!

Please visit online@edmundsgovpay.com/Tappahannock or scan the QR code to set up this payment option for your utility account. At this time, **WE CAN ONLY ACCEPT DEBIT/CREDIT CARDS THROUGH THIS MODULE, NO CHECKS.**



Select **“New Users: Click Here to Register”** and follow the prompts. Please also contact the town office to ensure your email address is on your utility account.

Once your account is set up, you will receive an email notification prior to the payment being processed. Expect this to occur a week before the bill is due.

The email will contain the payment date, payment amount, fee, and confirmation number. Scheduled payments may be canceled through your login account or by contacting the town office. If you have questions, please give us a call.

Contact Virginia 811 before you start your project. Allow required time for marking. Respect and protect the marks. Excavate carefully.

Call 811 or 1-800-552-7001



If you have a concern regarding the state-maintained highways, be sure to notify VDOT at 1-800-367-7623 or <https://my.vdot.virginia.gov/>.

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