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Tappahannock



August 2026

The Town office will be closed
September 7th and October 12, 2026.

A NEWSLETTER FROM THE TOWN OF TAPPAHANNOCK

For information on closing and delays - tune into local news stations and follow us on social media

What's Happening in Tappahannock?

A Fond Farewell to Dennis Schools!



At the end of August, our General Services Director will retire after 10 years of dedicated service to the Town of Tappahannock. We thank him for his hard work and commitment to our community and wish him all the best in his retirement!

Trash/Recycling Pickup Schedule

Beginning after August 28, residential trash and recycling collection will return to the Town's regular 8:00 AM start time. The temporary 6:00 AM summer schedule will remain in effect through August 28.

Regular Collection Schedule:

- Trash: Tuesdays and Fridays, beginning at 8:00 AM
- Recycling: Thursdays, beginning at 8:00 AM

Utility Rate Reminder

Residents may notice a slight increase in their utility bills following new rates that took effect July 1 as part of the Town approved budget. If you have questions about your bill, please contact the Town Office for assistance.

Important Payment Changes

For customer utilizing the online payment portal, on or after September 20, 2026, you will be notified that your password needs to be reset. You will receive a password reset email to complete that process

Honoring Mayor Ernest A. Gaines

Pillars from the former home of Mayor Ernest A. Gaines have been installed at Central Park as a lasting memorial to his decades of service and impact on Tappahannock. Commemorative plaques will be added soon to complete the tribute.

New Murals Around Town

New murals around Tappahannock are bringing our local history and heritage to life through public art. Each mural celebrates a piece of the people, places, and stories that have helped shape our Town.



Hoskins Creek Project

Work is officially underway on the Hoskins Creek project! Construction on the new recreational access road has begun. Stay tuned for more updates as work progresses.

Plan Ahead: A Friendly Tax Reminder

A friendly reminder: Personal Property and Real Estate tax bills will be mailed in October and are due December, 5th. Planning ahead now can help make the busy holiday season a little easier.



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Important Due Dates

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

Utility Bills

Billing Period: 06/15/2026 - 08/14/2026

Due Date: 09/30/2026

Cut-Off Date: 10/07/2026

Billing Period: 08/15/2026 - 10/14/2026

Due Date: 11/30/2026

Cut-Off Date: 12/09/2026

Upcoming Public Meetings

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

Planning Commission Meetings:

September 2, 2026

October 7, 2026

Town Council Meetings:

September 14, 2026

October 13, 2026

Upcoming Events

September 12 – **Soul by the River**

September 19 – **Tappahannock Farmers Market**

September 25–27 – **Rise & Fall Festival**

October 17 – **Tappahannock Farmers Market**

October 31 – **Miles for Men's Health 5K**

Visit visittappahannock.com/events or scan the QR code below for the latest events and details.



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 ACCEPT DEBIT/CREDIT CARDS AND E-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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If you need assistance from the town after hours, please contact the Essex County's Sheriff's Office
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