

October, November,  
December



TOWN OF FRONT ROYAL

# A Message to Our Citizens

## STAY INFORMED OF IMPORTANT LOCAL MEETINGS

Various Town Meetings occur every month. Vacancies occur every year and the Town needs you to serve when openings occur. All Meetings are open to the public. They are as follows:

**Planning Commission**—Meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month @ 7:00pm in the Warren County Government Center. Work Sessions are on Wednesdays, as needed. Agendas can be found by contacting the Planning/Zoning Department at (540)635-4236.

**Board of Architectural Review (BAR)** - Meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month, as applications are received, @ 7:00pm in the Warren County Government Center. Agendas can be found by contacting the Planning/Zoning Department at (540)635-4236.

**Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA)** - Meets the 3rd Monday of the month, as applications are received, @ 7:00pm in the Warren County Government Center. Agendas can be found by contacting the Planning/Zoning Department at (540)635-4236.

**Front Royal/Warren County Economic Development Authority (EDA)**—Meets the 3rd Friday of the month @ 8:00am in the EDA Board Room located on Kendrick Lane. Agendas can be found by contacting the EDA at (540)635-2182. Town Council appoints (2) representatives to serve.

**Urban Forestry Advisory Commission (UFAC)** - Meets the 4th Monday of the month in the Town Hall Conference Room. Please contact Town Hall for an agenda @ (540)635-8007.

All committees are appointed by Council with the exception of the BZA which Council only recommends appointment to the Circuit Court Judge who makes the appointment. For a more in-depth overview of each Committee please visit [www.frontroyalva.com](http://www.frontroyalva.com), click Government, click Boards/Commission or contact the Clerk of Council at (540)635-8007 or [jberry@frontroyalva.com](mailto:jberry@frontroyalva.com).

**Town Council** is elected by the citizens of Front Royal. They meet the 2nd & 4th Monday of the month @ 7:00pm in the Warren County Government Center. Work Sessions are held on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Mondays, as needed, @ 7:00pm in the Town Hall Conference Room. Times are subject to change for Work Sessions. All meetings are open to the public. Agendas for the meetings can be found on Comcast Channel 16; [www.frontroyalva.com](http://www.frontroyalva.com), click e-services; in Town Hall; or by contacting the Clerk of Council Jennifer Berry at [jberry@frontroyalva.com](mailto:jberry@frontroyalva.com) or (540)635-8007.



**HALLOWEEN** will be observed in the Town of Front Royal on Monday, October 31 from 6:30pm—9:00pm. During Trick or Treating, parents are encouraged to accompany their children. Group activities are recommended. It is requested for everyone to carry flashlights for safety, and to only approach houses that have porch lights on. It is illegal for children 16 years of age and older to wear masks in public. All trick-or-treaters are requested to be off the streets by 9:00pm.





**Hydrant Flushing** will be September 26—October 4 throughout the Town between the hours of 7:00a—3:00p. Flushing helps to keep water lines free of deposit buildup and to check the mechanical operation of hydrants. Bi-annual flushing is necessary to provide better water quality and fire protection. Daytime flushing allows our crews to perform minor repairs of hydrants to provide continued operation. Customer may experience periods of lower water pressure and/or discoloration of the water during flushing. If you experience discolored water, run the cold-water tap until it clears. During periods of discoloration, postpone washing clothes and limit use of hot water until cold water clears. Flushing will result in possible water on the streets. Motorists are asked to be aware. More information available by contacting the Department of Environmental Services at 636-6338.



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# Fall



There are several ways to pay your utility bill:

**Mail**—Check/Money Order to “Town of Front Royal”, Town Business Office, P.O. Box 1560, Front Royal, VA 22630

**Automatic Withdrawal from Bank**— Please contact the Business Office at (540)635-7799 for a form

**In Person**—Town Business Office at 15 N. Royal Avenue

**Drop Box**—Located outside of Town Business Office at 15 N. Royal Avenue

**(NO CASH, PLEASE)**

**Budget Plan** —Please contact the Business Office at (540)635-7799 for more information as certain restrictions apply.

**Third Party Notification** for those who occasionally have a difficult time keeping track of utility bills. You name someone to receive a reminder notice from the Town when your bill is overdue and the services are in danger of being disconnected. The third party is NOT RESPONSIBLE for your bill, only to remind you it's due. More info. (540)635-7799.

The Town understands that everyone is faced with personal hardships from time to time. If you find yourself unable to pay a utility bill, please DO NOT wait until the payment is due to ask for help. Contact the Business Office as soon as possible at (540)635-7799.



## HISTORIC REHABILITATION INCENTIVE

Did you know that properties within the Historic Overlay District are eligible for a partial exemption of real estate taxes when substantial rehabilitation occurs to a building that is 50 years or older. A substantial rehabilitation is anything over 40% of the pre-rehabilitated assessment value; and the partial exemption would be equal to the increase in assessed value resulting from the rehabilitation. More information can be obtained by contacting the Front Royal Department of Planning & Zoning at (540) 635-4236.

**LEAF COLLECTION**—The Town will be collecting **bagged leaves** this fall. Leaves should be collected in either paper or plastic bags and placed at curbside. Bags shall not be sealed or tied to ensure it is not viewed as refuse. Collection will allow more than the (10) bags being placed curbside beginning October 17, 2011 and ending November 18, 2011. If you have questions about leaf collection, please contact Public Works at (540)635-7819.



**FYI—Heat Pumps** are the most efficient form of electric heating in moderate climate, providing (3) times more heating than the equivalent amount of energy they consume in electricity. With this in mind: 1) **do not** set back the heat pump's thermostat manually if it causes the electric resistance heating, to come on. This type of heating, which is often used as a backup to the heat pump, is more expensive and 2) clean/change filters once a month or as needed, and maintain the system according to manufacturer's instructions.

-US Department of Energy [www.eere.energy.gov](http://www.eere.energy.gov)

### MANASSAS AVENUE EXTENDED

The Town of Front Royal has a Yard Waste and White Goods (*appliances*) Drop-Off Station located at the end of Manassas Avenue. It is open every day, except Wednesdays & Sundays, from 9:00am—5:00pm. Must have a valid Town or County Vehicle Decal. No commercial vehicles allowed. More Information may be obtained by calling the Public Works Department at (540)635-7819.

**SET CLOCKS BACK SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6 @ 2:00AM**

### **The Front Royal Business Offices will be CLOSED:**

**Monday, October 10, 2011** in observance of Columbus Day—Trash/Recycling will be picked up Wednesday, October 12, 2011

**Friday, November 11, 2011** in observance of Veterans Day—Trash/Recycling will be picked up Wednesday, November 9, 2011

**Thursday, November 24 & Friday, November 25, 2011** in observance of Thanksgiving

Trash/Recycling for Thursday will be Wed., November 23, 2011 — Trash/Recycling for Friday will be Tues., November 22, 2011

**Friday, December 23, 2011** in observance of Christmas Eve—Trash/Recycling will be picked up Wednesday, December 21, 2011

**Monday, December 26, 2011** in observance of Christmas Day—Trash/Recycling will be picked up Wednesday, December 28, 2011

**Monday, January 2, 2012** in observance of New Year's Day—Trash/Recycling will be picked up Wednesday, January 4, 2012.