



NEWS AND INFORMATION FROM NEW CASTLE COUNTY COUNCILPERSON

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COUNCIL APPROVES TAX PENALTY AMNESTY ORDINANCE

New Castle County Council voted at its April 26, 2015 meeting to approve an ordinance that provides amnesty from tax penalties. In order to take advantage of the program, homeowners delinquent on their taxes who have accrued penalty charges must pay their delinquent taxes by May 29, 2015. If the back tax obligation is paid by that date, all penalty charges associated with the delinquent taxes will be abated. This program only applies to improved residential properties.

Council felt it prudent to provide homeowners facing difficult economic challenges with an opportunity to improve their tax situation. As penalty charges accrue, it becomes more and more difficult for homeowners attempting to pay down their tax obligation to do so, as principal payments are applied after penalty payments. If the County is able to recoup tax obligations that would otherwise remain outstanding, it is a benefit to all taxpayers.

For additional information regarding this program, please feel free to contact Councilwoman Kilpatrick's office at (302) 395-8343.

REVERSE 911 EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION DATABASE

If you do not have a land line in your home or a registered phone number, chances are you are not in the County's Reverse 911 Emergency Notification System database. Therefore, you do not receive a call when the Reverse 911 System is activated. However, you can add your contact information to the database by registering your phone number at <https://nccpd.onthealert.com/>.

VACANT PROPERTY REGISTRATION

Following the passage of an ordinance by New Castle County Council, owners of vacant properties now must register these properties with New Castle County within 90 days of the property becoming vacant. This requirement took effect in the beginning of April. If a premise remains vacant by November 1st of each calendar year, an owner must re-register the property and pay a fee associated with the number of years of vacancy. Any properties not registered or fees not paid will be assessed penalties.

Only the property owner can officially register the property as vacant. However, anyone can report vacant properties for investigation by New Castle County. This can be accomplished by calling the New Castle County complaint line (302) 395-5555, by visiting the County Land Use Department website and utilizing the complaint system (http://hanportal.nccde.org/DP1/Metroplex/Newcastle/customerservice/wiz_csr.asp), or by calling Councilwoman Kilpatrick's office at (302) 395-8343.

Summer Jobs Available for Youth

2015 New Castle County Summer Youth Employment Program Application Processing Event Saturday, May 9, 2015, 9AM - 3PM 67 Reads Way, Gilliam Building Multi-purpose Room New Castle, DE 19720

Call (302) 395-5600 for more information.

The 2015 New Castle County Summer Youth Employment Program for income-eligible youth ages 14 - 20 runs from mid-June through August.

Pick up an employment application beginning April 1, 2015
at 77 Read's Way, Gilliam Building, New Castle, DE.



THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS ARE REQUIRED WHEN YOU APPLY:

- Social Security card (original card required)
 - State-issued photo ID or School-issued photo ID. (original ID required)
 - Birth Certificate (copy is acceptable)
 - Proof of Address (utility bill, lease, or official mail from Federal, State or City agency)
 - Proof of Household Income
 - 2014 Income Tax Return **OR** 2014 W-2
OR Copy of 3 most recent pay stubs
- AND (IF APPLICABLE)**
- Agency letter verifying Social Security, pension/retirement pay, disability, annuities, child support, unemployment, Medicaid, TANF, food benefits, DE Healthy Child Program, or other sources periodic income.

Department of Community Services
Thomas P. Gordon, County Executive



THIRD DISTRICT PUBLIC MEETING NOTICES

Planning Board

Tuesday, June 2, 2015
7:00pm
Multi-Purpose Room of the Gilliam Building
77 Reads Way

The agenda for the 6/2/15 Planning Board hearing has not yet been posted.

Board of Adjustment

Thursday, May 14, 2015
6:00 p.m.
New Castle County Government Center
87 Reads Way

- **3120 Barley Mill Road, Hockessin 19707. Area variances** to maintain and construct new ground signage for the Mt. Cuba Center: **(08-009.00-052)** **1.** to allow a second identification sign (only one wall or ground sign per building section); **2.** to maintain a 42 square foot ground sign 13 feet from the Barley Mill right-of-way (20 square foot maximum sign area); **3.** to maintain a 42 square foot ground sign 13 feet from the Barley Mill right-of-way (20-foot sign setback); **4.** to construct a 9 square foot ground sign 5 feet from the Barley Mill right-of-way (20-foot sign setback); **5.** to maintain a 1.5 square foot nameplate ground sign 0 feet from the Barley Mill right-of-way (2-foot sign setback); **(08-015.00-001/Corner of Mt. Cuba and Barley Mill Roads)** **6.** to construct a 9 square foot ground sign 9 feet from the Barley Mill right-of-way (20-foot sign setback). **Mt. Cuba Center, Inc.** SE Zoning. CD 3. (App. 2015-0216-A) **TPs 08-015.00-001 & 08-009.00-052.**

Thursday, May 28, 2015
6:00 p.m.
New Castle County Government Center
87 Reads Way

- **5850 Limestone Road, Wilmington 19707. Area variances** to construct signage for The Summit retirement community: to construct a 72 square foot ground sign (including a 17 square foot Electronic Variable Message Sign/EVMS) 5 feet from the Limestone Road right of way (20 square foot maximum sign area and 20 foot sign setback). **Hockessin Health Partners/Landmark Science and Engineering.** ST Zoning. CD 3. (App. 2015-0243-A) TP 08-024.00-009.