



WEEKLY REPORT FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Friday, April 1, 2022

APRIL – MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD

From the U.S Department of Defense's website:



“The Defense Department celebrates military children during the month of April. There are more than 1.6 million children who face many challenges and unique experiences as a result of their parents’ service.

“While military members serve around the world, we often forget the challenges faced by their children. Military families move on average every two to three years, impacting military children through changing schools and support networks.

“Each year, the DOD joins national, state, and local government, schools, military serving organizations, companies and private citizens in celebrating military children and the sacrifices they make.”

More information can be found here: <https://www.defense.gov/Spotlights/Month-of-the-Military-Child/>

PARKS & RECREATION

New Registration Software - Parks & Recreation is pleased to announce a new and improved registration software program to assist families throughout the year. This program will allow families to create an account, save their information and assure an easier, more user-friendly registration process. We are extremely grateful to our Finance department for their continued support and taking the lead on this project. We anticipate a soft opening the first full week in April. We ask for your patience as we navigate our way through Civic Rec. We think you are going to like what you see!



Summer Camps – The first of several summer camps have been posted to the City's website and registration will open for remaining camps the week of April 4th. Stay tuned and watch the City's website for more details at the following link: <https://www.dupontwa.gov/548/Camps>.

Let's get thrifty! – During a recent teen survey, surprisingly, thrift shopping was a top choice for teen activities. Parks & Recreation is planning a thrift day on Monday, **April 4th** from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. during the SHSD Spring Break. Meet at DuPont City Hall by 10:00 a.m., return to City Hall by 3:00 p.m. We will visit some of our local thrift shops and stop for lunch along the way. Cost is \$10.00 per teen. Registration can be found on the City of DuPont's Teen page, located on the City's website at <https://www.dupontwa.gov/546/Teens>.



Teen Egg Hunt – Hop on over to the Teen Egg Hunt on Friday, **April 15th** at 6:00 p.m. Enjoy a nice walk to Sellers Park for the egg hunt and race. After the egg hunt, return to the community center for dinner and prizes of all shapes and sizes. Drop off and pick-up will be at the community center and all teens must have a signed permission slip. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Tickets are \$5 (plus tax) per teen. To purchase tickets and to read more details, please go to the City's website at <https://www.dupontwa.gov/546/Teens>.

Bunny Breakfast – Tickets are still available!

Hop on over to the Annual Bunny Breakfast on Saturday, **April 16th** at 9:00 a.m. Enjoy breakfast with the Easter Bunny, photo opportunities, and a craft project. Big thanks to our friends at The Home Course for hosting such an "EGG-citing" day! Doors open at 9:00 a.m. Tickets are \$20 (plus tax) per person; two and under are free. To purchase tickets and to read more details, please go to the City's website at <https://www.dupontwa.gov/195/Events>.





DUPONT POLICE DEPARTMENT WEEKLY REPORT



Total Calls for Service 03/21/22 – 03/27/22: 194

Average: 27.71 calls per day

EMERGENCY & PATROL INCIDENTS:

- 71 Security Checks
- 07 Wellness Checks
- 06 Agency Assists
- 03 Domestic Violence (Verbal)
- 02 Motor Vehicle Collisions
- 01 Stolen Vehicle Recovery
- 01 Animal Bite

CRIMES AGAINST PERSONS:

- 01 Domestic Violence
- 01 Fraud

PROPERTY & OTHER CRIMES:

- 05 Vehicle Prowls
- 02 Vandalisms
- 02 Thefts
- 01 Burglary

ARREST(S) OR REFERRAL(S) TO PROSECUTOR:

- 01 Referral to prosecutor for Domestic Violence, Aggravated Assault, Kidnapping/Abduction

DEPARTMENT NEWS:

- The department hosted the final week of West Point Leadership training.
- Officers participated in Active Shooter Training with Lakewood Police Department and other surrounding agencies.
- Officers attended the celebration of life for fallen Pierce County Deputy Calata.

EMERGENCY vs. NON-EMERGENCY: Who do I call?

911

FIRE POLICE MEDICAL

Dial or text 9-1-1 for police, fire or medical emergencies when immediate action is required. For example:

- There is a situation that could, or does, pose a danger to life, property or both.
- There is suspicious activity involving person(s) or vehicle(s) that appears to have criminal intent.
- Any situation that requires immediate dispatch of an officer.
- To report a serious crime, such as robbery, domestic violence or sexual assault.

Call if you can, text if you can't!

DUPONT POLICE

Dial (253) 964-7060 to reach the DuPont Police Department's Administrative line when you have general questions. This line is only answered during normal business hours, Monday thru Friday, 8:00AM to 5:00PM. Any voicemails left will not be heard until the following business day. This would also apply to any emails sent to Police@dupontwa.gov.

SOUTH SOUND 911

YOUR CONNECTION TO POLICE, FIRE AND MEDICAL AID

Dial (253) 287-4455 to reach SS911's non-emergency line if you need police assistance that is not of an emergent nature but **IS** a valid police matter. For example:

- Reporting a nuisance, such as noise or parking complaint.
- Reporting a non-emergent crime; one that did not just occur, and the suspects are not in the immediate area.
- You have questions about something suspicious occurring in your neighborhood and you are not sure it is criminal activity

The call taker will determine how to best handle your call.

NOTE: A call taker may place you on hold to answer an emergency phone call.

DUPONT FIRE DEPARTMENT

Private Medic Information:

- Over the past week, DPFD responded to 17 calls and a Private Medic was not available.



Responses	
Medical/Vehicle Accident ALS	5
Medical/Vehicle Accident BLS	8
False Alarms	3
Fire	1
TOTAL	17

Medical / Vehicle Accidents	
ALS	5
BLS	8
TOTAL	13

Calls by time of day in 8-hour blocks:	
0000-0759	2
0800-1649	8
1700-2359	7
TOTAL	17

Calls by day of the week:	
Sunday	3
Monday	4
Tuesday	3
Wednesday	3
Thursday	1
Friday	1
Saturday	2
TOTAL	17

Fire Safety Message about Kitchen Fires

In the Event of Stovetop Fire:



- If the fire is small and contained in a pan, put on an oven mitt, and smother the flames by carefully sliding the lid over the pan
- Turn off the burner
- Don't remove the lid until it is completely cool
- Never pour water on a grease fire**
- Never discharge a fire extinguisher onto a pan fire since it can splatter burning grease out of the pan and spread the fire**

In the Event of Oven Fire:



- Turn off the heat
- Keep the oven door closed to prevent you and your clothes from catching fire
- Notify other occupants, and evacuate the building
- Call the fire department

In the Event of Microwave Fire:



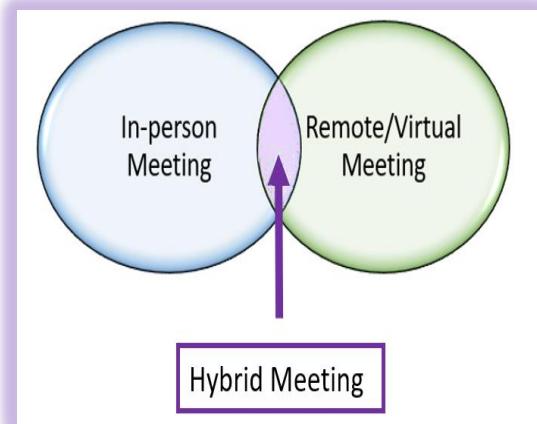
- Keep the microwave door closed
- Unplug the microwave to remove the source of heat
- Notify other occupants, and evacuate the building
- Call the fire department

COUNCIL CHAMBERS UPGRADE – Hybrid Meetings Starting in March

The City of DuPont is looking forward to opening the doors to Council Chambers now that we have the technology to hold meeting both in-person and remotely.

Little did we know back in March of 2020, the City of DuPont would have to shut our Council Chambers and resort to remote/virtual meetings for so long. To allow citizens to participate in a full functioning “hybrid meeting,” Council Chambers has been upgraded.

What are “hybrid meetings?” Hybrid meetings incorporate both in-person and remote access to meetings. This allows citizens to attend in person as they did before the shutdown, or they can attend remotely using an online meeting tool.



What changes might be noticed when attending an in-person meeting at City Hall? There have been many exciting changes in Council Chambers, but citizens might not notice much of a change unless they look closely. There are new speakers hanging down from the ceiling, a slightly new layout of the staff desk, new microphones, new name plates, and four new viewing screens. What might be harder to notice is the new meeting managing equipment and the upgrades to the audio/visual equipment and the computer connections. The room has been given a thorough cleaning and is all set for meetings.

What changes will be noticed if citizens attend remotely, as they have done since March of 2020? Citizens will still call into a meeting using the Zoom.us link found on each meeting agenda, whether they wish to watch the meeting or make public comments. To make public comment remotely, a citizen will “raise your hand” to speak during the public comment or public testimony portions of the agenda; raising your hand is a feature in the Zoom webinar screen. For more information about how to “raise your hand,” click on this link: <https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/205566129-Raising-your-hand-In-a-webinar>.

Council meetings will still be recorded by Pierce County Television (PCTV) and added to the website following the meeting (go to <https://www.dupontwa.gov/96/City-Council> and choose “Council Meeting Videos” in the left margin). meetings will be recorded live on the City of DuPont You Tube channel (https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCInrLK1wNfpq3_CeNJw40A).

PUBLIC WORKS

DuPont-Steilacoom Road Updates from March 28 – April 1:

- Between Center Drive and Wharf Road: Stump removal on the east side of the road (JBLM side).
- Between Pendleton Avenue and Davis Place: Grading for fence placement on the east side of the road (JBLM side).
- Please note, there could potentially be intermittent traffic stops throughout the project to move equipment across the road, etc.

Current updates can be found on the City's website at the following link:

<https://www.dupontwa.gov/637/DuPont-Steilacoom-Road-Updates>.

UTILITY DEPARTMENT

Summer is coming and it's almost time to turn on the sprinkler systems! Here are some helpful tips:

1. Test your backflow. For more information go to **Irrigation Backflow** on the City's website at <https://www.dupontwa.gov/332/Irrigation-Backflow>.
2. Test your sprinkler timers to make sure they are in good working order.
3. Set your timers to prevent overwatering or under watering your lawns and flower beds.

Backflow

Backflow is a term in plumbing for an unwanted flow of water in the reverse direction. It can be a serious health risk for the contamination of potable water supplies with foul water.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Published agendas can be found on the website's homepage; click on the meeting date on the City of DuPont Calendar and then "Download Agenda".



Date	Time	Meeting
4/4/2022	6:00 PM	Park & Recreation Commission
4/11/2022	6:00 PM	Planning Commission
4/12/2022	11:00 AM	Civil Service Commission
4/12/2022	6:30 PM	City Council Regular Meeting

ACTIVITIES - SAVE THE DATES

Date	Activity	Location / Information
4/4/2022	Let's go thrifting!	https://www.dupontwa.gov/546/Teens
4/12-5/31/22	Kindermusik with Bonnie Kim	https://www.dupontwa.gov/553/Kids
4/15/2022	Teen Egg Hunt	https://www.dupontwa.gov/546/Teens
4/15/2022	Senior Movie & Lunch	https://www.dupontwa.gov/545/Adults-Seniors
4/16/2022	Bunny Breakfast	https://www.dupontwa.gov/195/Events
4/18-5/9/22	Bricks 4 Kidz (Cyber Vehicles)	https://www.dupontwa.gov/553/Kids
5/16-6/13/22	Bricks 4 Kidz (Robo-Animals)	https://www.dupontwa.gov/553/Kids