

# TOWN OF HENLOPEN ACRES — August 2017 Newsletter

## Dear Residents and Property Owners;

The long-term viability of our waterways is a concern of many Sussex County communities. Town Manager, Tom Roth and I are working closely with the Association of Coastal Towns (ACT) to develop a plan to dredge the canal and inland bays affected by the settling of sediment. The next meeting is August 17<sup>th</sup> in Lewes with DNREC Secretary Shawn Garvin.

For the first time in many years, all available marina slips have been leased for the season. We even have a waiting list for next year. At the same time, sediment fill reduces the number of slips we can rent. The Town is working with consultants who have presented a couple of plans to address this ongoing problem and we asked them to model solutions to identify the best option.

I would personally like to thank all the volunteers who assisted with the July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade. We had a great turn out and all appeared to have a good time. I also want to thank our generous sponsors who make it possible to offer prizes to all participants.

July 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> brought a brief nor'easter to Town. We lost one tree on Zwaanendael and an electrical wire shorted out at the water plant. Our Town employees responded promptly, coming in over the weekend to address these issues so that residents were not affected.

There is still a lot of summer left to enjoy. The Rehoboth At League is holding its 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Outdoor Art Show August 5-6 and 12-13. There will be increased activity so be mindful of the children, cyclists, and pedestrians that share our roads.

In closing, Kathy McGuinness, Bryce Lingo and Carrie Lingo are hosting a SMOKIN' RED HOT COCKTAIL PARTY to benefit the Rehoboth Beach Volunteer Fire Company 6-8PM August 8<sup>th</sup>. It will be held at the McGuinness home (6 Broad Hollow) and a minimum donation of \$100 is required to attend. Catering will be provided by Mermaid's Kitchen. Engine rides are available for guests and children are welcome. To RSVP or for questions, contact Carrie at [carrie@jacklingo.com](mailto:carrie@jacklingo.com) or 302.344.9188.

Best,

Mayor David Lyons

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### MAYOR:

David Lyons

### Commissioners:

Andrew Brittingham

Tim Hidell

Frank Jamison

Joni Reich

Paddy Richards

John Staffier

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### UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Board of Commissioners

Board Meeting (if needed)

Tuesday September 5, 2017

(Organizational meeting)

### Quarterly Meeting

Friday October 13, 2017

### Planning Commission

Monday August 7, 2017

### Board of Adjustment

To be determined

### Tree Committee

To be determined

### TOWN HALL HOLIDAY CLOSINGS:

**Monday September 4**

Labor Day

**Monday October 9**

Columbus Day

**Thurs November 23**

**Fri November 24**

Thanksgiving Holiday

**Monday December 25**

Christmas Day

## Important Election Information for 2017

With the closing of the declaration period on Friday July 14,, only the incumbents filed for re-election, so there will not be an election held in Henlopen Acres this year.

Therefore the following Commissioners are deemed re-elected:

Timothy Hidell, Joni Reich, John Staffier

## 2017-2018 Budget

At their meeting on June 9, 2017, the Board of Commissioners approved an \$800,000 Operating Budget for fiscal year 2017-2018.

Items of significance: Drainage improvements from Duneway to Sandy Bottoms, an overhaul of the water plant, a new wood chipper and mosquito sprayer for the Streets department.

**Security Reminder:**

The security department is no longer receiving calls over their radio for home alarms going off. Please include security (302) 542-3323, as a contact with your alarm monitoring company.

**Feral Cats**

As most of you already know, the Town has several feral cats. Please **DO NOT** feed them or any other wild animals as this only adds to the problem.

**Our Deepest Sympathies to the family of:**

Geraldine Kenney-42 Rolling Road-08/01/2017

At the Board of Commissioners meeting on Friday, July 14, 2017, the following re-appointments were made:

**Board of Adjustments**

Bob Stevens-66 Fields End

**Audit Committee**

John Talbott-41 Rolling Road  
Robert Moltz-62 Pine Reach  
Barry Hale-37 Pine Reach

**Marina Update**

The new storm drain at the marina has been completed

The millstone and anchors have been relocated by the flagpole

The flagpole now displays the U.S. flag, the State of Delaware flag and the Sussex County flag

**Rehoboth Ocean Outfall**

The Rehoboth Beach Ocean outfall project is set to begin on October 1, 2017. The pipeline is to be installed along Henlopen Avenue. As the project progresses, sections of Henlopen Ave will be closed to vehicular traffic. Although the Dodds Lane or Crossways entrance may be closed for short periods of time during construction, one will always be open. Access to Henlopen Acres will be by way of 2nd Street or Surf Ave, but not necessarily both. The project is scheduled to be completed by April 30, 2018.

**Annual Water Report**

You should have received a copy of the Town's Annual Water report in the mail. If you didn't, there are copies available at Town Hall and it is posted on our website:

<http://henlopenacres.delaware.gov/water-quality/>

**Did you know??**

The gravel road behind Town Hall is the property of the Army Corp of Engineers and the Town has a lease to use and maintain the road. It is NOT a one way road or a public road. The gate will remain open during regular Town business hours and for special events such as the 4th of July Fireworks in Rehoboth and the Seawitch Festival. Please be courteous of other drivers, pedestrians and bicyclists

**4th of July Parade**

Our 3rd Annual 4th of July Parade was a huge success!! We had over 200 participants, great weather and awesome prizes. A special thank you to our volunteers and community donors. Without their hard work and commitment an event like this would never be possible. Check out all the pictures on our website:

[henlopenacres.delaware.gov](http://henlopenacres.delaware.gov)

**Just a reminder the Town sprays for mosquitos every Friday morning from 6a-8a. This will continue through September, usually until we have our first frost. Information on the chemicals used is available at Town Hall.**

**HAPOC now has it's own page on the Town's webpage. Check it out periodically to see what's new with the Henlopen Acres Property Owners Corporation:**

[henlopenacres.delaware.gov](http://henlopenacres.delaware.gov)

**Recycling**

The following items can be dropped off at Town Hall for recycling:

- ◆ Inkjet Cartridges
- ◆ Toner Cartridges
- ◆ Household Batteries
- ◆ Eye Glasses
- ◆ CFL Bulbs

American Flags can be dropped off at Town Hall and will be properly retired by the Marine Corps League

**Ordinance Spotlight:****Chapter 60-2 B.2-Disorderly Conduct-**

**Playing any radio or music in such a manner or volume, particularly between the hours of 11:00pm and 7:00am, as to annoy or disturb the quiet or comfort of any person in any other dwelling unit.**