

# TOWN OF HENLOPEN ACRES — September 2020 Newsletter

## “Toast the Town” Anniversary Party



It was a beautiful night to celebrate the Town's 50th Anniversary. At left, Jim and Stacey Maloney. At right, Party Chair Kate Lyons and Tim Lyons.

We have a set of etched Anniversary wine glasses for residents who did not Attend the party.



## REVISED RENTAL ORDINANCE ADOPTED

On September 11, the Board of Commissioners approved an amendment to the proposed changes to the Property Rental ordinance. The approved amendment establishes a limit of eight rentals of at least seven days each during a calendar year, with up to six rentals allowed in-season between May 15 and September 15. The limit will apply to current and future owners alike. It also requires rental contracts to be provided to Town Hall at least three business days prior to a rental and prohibits subletting. The Commissioners very much appreciate the many comments submitted by residents and will now focus on developing an effective enforcement strategy. Further attention will now be made on effective enforcement steps.

### 2020 Election Information

With the closing of the filing period on Friday July 10, 2020, three persons filed to be candidates for the three vacancies on the Board of Commissioners and were deemed to be elected for a three-year term, including Joni Reich, John Staffier, and Tim Hidell. The Commissioners elected Joni Reich as Mayor and approved the following other appointments: Tim Hidell as President pro tempore, Jeff Jacobs as Treasurer, and Paddy Richards as Town Secretary.

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### **MAYOR:**

Joni Reich

### **Commissioners:**

Andrew Brittingham

Tim Hidell

Jeff Jacobs

Paddy Richards

John Staffier

Richard Thompson

### **Town Manager**

Thomas Roth

### **Town Clerk**

Lisa Michaels

### **Public Works**

Sonny McClure

### **Security**

Lee Stewart

**Town Hall 104 Tidewaters**

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### **UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

**Board of Commissioners**

October 9, 2020

### **Planning Commission**

To be scheduled

### **Board of Adjustment**

As needed

### **Tree Committee**

As needed

## **TOWN HALL HOLIDAY CLOSINGS:**

Monday October 12, 2020

**Columbus Day**

Weds. November 11, 2020

**Veteran's Day**

We've added some new signs to help keep our walkers and bikers safe. WALK LEFT against traffic and BIKE RIGHT with traffic.

## Henlopen Acres in the News

Delaware Beach Life magazine is featuring an article titled "Heavenly Acres" in its September 2020 issue on Colonel Wilbur Corkran's purchase of the 180-acre Dodds Farm in 1930 that he developed into a "Seashore Residential Community."

Delaware Today magazine is featuring an article in its November 2020 issue on the architectural standards that Corkran incorporated in the early houses in the Acres. An Architect by training, Corkran designed and built many of the early homes, several of which still exist and will be featured in the article. (See list at top right.)

Both articles are excerpts from the new book published by William F. Meehan, Henlopen Acres: The Colonel & His Vision." Copies can be obtained through Mayor Joni Reich.

### Our Deepest Sympathies to the family of:

**Commissioner Frank Jamison- 90 Tidewaters  
June 5, 2020**

### Welcome New Property Owners:

James Downing-76 Tidewaters-Greenville, DE  
Scott & Hilary Branson Provinse -25 Rolling Road  
Chevy Chase, MD

## Houses designed by Colonel Corkran

32 Pine Reach	Wanda & Harry Davis
41 Pine Reach	Carl & Brenda Vizzi
44 Pine Reach	Freddie Noland
54 Pine Reach	Van Dyke Family
60 Pine Reach	Sirinek Family
21 Rolling Road	Ellen Martin
44 Rolling Road	Dick & Jean Thompson
68 Fields End	John Barto

## Security Department

The Town has hired two additional part-time patrolmen.

- **John Meng** was previously a Massachusetts State Trooper and Captain for the Rehoboth Beach Fire Department.
- **Bob Asinelli** was previously a police officer in New York City.

We expect them to be great additions to the Security staff.

## Useful Reminders

Email List: If you are not part of our email list, PLEASE email Lisa at Town Hall to become part of it. At times, we need to relay important information to all residents.

Emergency Evacuation: In the event of an emergency, the Town keeps a list of residents who may need assistance in the event of an emergency evacuation. Please call or email Lisa at Town Hall if you would like to be part of this list.

Mulch: With Fall around the corner, the Town has mulch available for residents to request free of charge. Contact Town Hall at: [townclerk@henlopenacres.com](mailto:townclerk@henlopenacres.com)

## Tree Update

Trees have been ordered for the beach block of Tidewaters. If requested, the Town's arborist and Committee members can work with residents on tree placement and species. The Committee is also reviewing the minimum caliper tree standards to meet tree density requirements for new homes.

## Ordinance Spotlight - Chapter 124 Water § 124-22 Drainage of Swimming pools; permit procedure

**A. Owner shall comply with all applicable federal, state, County and Town regulations**

**B. Water pumped from a swimming pool or irrigation system shall be drained onto the owners' property which may include the part of the bridge path located on the owners' property, all in conformance with DNREC regulations governing control of water protection activities.**

**C. Prior to draining a swimming pool, the owner shall submit an application to the Town Manager for a permit. Such application shall be on an appropriate form (available at Town Hall) and provide all the information requested on the form.**