

# TOWN OF HENLOPEN ACRES — September 2022 Newsletter

Dear Neighbor,

Welcome to Fall, which officially started on September 22nd. The cooler temperatures are a welcome relief, and we hope everyone had a wonderful summer.

An early morning storm on September 13th provided an unfortunate reminder of the havoc that strong winds can cause. Winds up to 70 mph provided an early morning awakening to residents, with over a dozen large trees downed in minutes. Fortunately, no one was injured, although repairs are needed on several homes.

Incidents like this are a valuable reminder of the people we rely on in the event of an emergency, in this case our **Streets staff** who worked diligently to clear the streets and assist residents.

In August, we had two incidents where the **Rehoboth Volunteer Fire & Rescue Company** provided critical assistance to the Town: first, on August 9th when a brush fire occurred along Duneway, and again on September 2nd, when a young boy on a bicycle was hit by a car along the same road, fortunately without serious injury. We have invited officers from the Fire Company to meet with the Commissioners at our October meeting to thank them for their valuable services, most of which are provided by dedicated volunteers.

Finally, we thank the 113 residents who voted in our recent Town election, and the six residents who serve as Election Officers. Many thanks as well to the three candidates who ran for Commissioner. We look forward to having Dick Thompson and Jeffrey Jacobs on the Board for their new three-year term.

- Joni Reich, Mayor

## 2022 Election Results

Richard Thompson	100 votes
Jeffrey Jacobs	98 votes
John Shedletsky	17 votes

## Dick Thompson being sworn in as Commissioner

Left to right: Tom Roth, Dick Thompson, Joni Reich



## EMAIL NOTICES

If you are not receiving Town meeting and event notices by email and wish to be added to the list, please email Michele at [townclerk@henlopenacres.com](mailto:townclerk@henlopenacres.com)

## PARKING PASS REMINDER

Don't throw away your 'Resident' cul-de-sac parking pass hang tags. They will be good each year until further notice.



Toys for Tots drive begins October 15

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**MAYOR:** Joni Reich

### **Commissioners:**

Tim Hidell, Richard Thompson  
Paddy Richards, Tiffany  
Derrickson, Jeffrey Jacobs,  
John Staffier

### **Town Manager**

Thomas Roth

### **Town Clerk**

Michele Frye

### **Public Works**

Sonny McClure

Bob Ribinsky

Mike Berg

### **Security**

Lee Stewart

**Town Hall 104 Tidewaters**

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## UPCOMING MEETINGS:

**Board of Commissioners**

**Quarterly Meeting**

Friday, October 7, at 10am

Friday, December 9, 2022 (if needed)

## **Planning Commission**

To be scheduled

## **Tree Committee**

To be scheduled

## **TOWN HALL HOLIDAY CLOSINGS:**

**Monday, October 10**

Columbus Day

**Friday, November 11**

Veterans Day

**Thurs & Fri Nov. 24 & 25**

Thanksgiving Holiday



## BACK TO SCHOOL

The school bus to Worcester Preparatory School in Berlin, Maryland stops on Dodds Lane every morning to pick up nine eager students from the Acres, including (back row from left to right) Harper Hertrich, Brock Hidell, Freddie Hertrich, Soren Poulsen, Remy Hertrich and (front row right to left) Marshal Hidell, Marshall Padgett, Tucker Padgett, and Margot Hidell.



## TREES

Our recent storm took out a lot of trees and damaged several homes. Thankfully no one was injured. The Town's street crew did a great job with the clean up.

Hopefully the 30 trees we will plant this fall, will help replace those that are now gone.

## FALL CLEAN UP REMINDER

*When cleaning up leaves and debris from your yard, please separate debris into two piles, leaves in one and branches (under 4" in diameter) and twigs in another. Place them on the front easement near the street for pick up. Please remember, we cannot take tree stumps, dirt, bamboo or branches in excess of 4" diameter.*

## FIVE REASONS TO REMOVE IVY FROM TREES

1. Trees and ivy compete for the same supply of water and nutrients.
2. Ivy growth blocks sunlight trees need to make food.
3. Vines can weigh down branches, putting them at higher risk of breaking in a storm.
4. Ivy invasion weakens a tree and makes it more vulnerable to pests and disease.
5. Spreading ivy can jeopardize landscaping, plants and shrubs.

## Trick or Treat in the Acres

Help us celebrate a little Fall Fun with our Annual "Trick or Treat" event in the Acres!

**DATE:** Saturday, October 29  
**TIME:** 4:30—6:30PM

Please contact Michele Frye at Town Hall to reserve a spot on our Jolly Trolley or to sign up to give out Treats at your house! The Rehoboth Sea Witch Parade will take place at 11:00 am. on the same day in downtown Rehoboth.

