



# WEEKLY REPORT FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Friday, February 19, 2021

## COUNCIL MEETING - FEBRUARY 9

- Appointments were made to the Tree Board, Lodging Tax Advisory Committee, Parks & Recreation Agency, and Planning Commission.
- Council approved engineering services for Historic Village stormwater improvements (pg. 19). This will help mitigate urban flooding experienced during the winter.
- Council approved engineering services for the new water treatment plants at Bell Hill and Hoffman Hill water facilities (pg. 32).

## PARKS & RECREATION

The City of DuPont is preparing to welcome the USGA 4 Ball Championship to the Home Course in May. The USGA is not permitting spectators at this event due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. We are, however, expecting over 1000 room nights from the Championship. The Home Course will also welcome the NCAA Division 2 Championships (May 5-8) and the NWAC Championships (May 15-17).

## DUPONT FIRE DEPARTMENT

**Total Calls for Service 2/11/2021 – 2/16/2021: 19**

### Call Highlights

- A private ambulance was available 14% of the time with an average 21-minute response time.

## NEW NON-EMERGENCY NUMBER

South Sound 911 has a new non-emergency phone number: **253-287-4455**. Please save this number and use for non-emergency police, fire, and medical assistance.





## RECYCLE & REDUCE WASTE

Check out the following links from Pierce County below for helpful recycling and reducing waste information.

- [Recycling & Garbage](#)
- [Shred Events](#)
- [Holiday Recycling Information](#)

## PUBLIC WORKS

### Snow Storms 2/11 - 2/14/2021

- Thursday 2/11 produced a snow accumulation of 1 inch
- Friday 2/12 to Saturday 2/13 produced a snow accumulation of 9 inches
- Overnight freezing temps on Thursday at 25 deg F, Friday at 24 deg F, and Saturday at 28 deg F.
- Staff was scheduled for 24-hour operations, 12-hour shifts, from 4 pm Thursday 2/11 to 4 pm Sunday 2/14.
- By end of shift on Sunday, primary roads were exposed asphalt the full length. Secondary roads were plowed. Street curbs had consistent linear snow piles. Sunday and Monday higher temps and rain helped with melting snow piles
- El Rancho Madrona neighborhood, of Lapsley DR could not be plowed as of 10 pm Friday night. Sunday morning, using our smaller sized John Deere Gator ATV to climb and plow a lane on Lapsley DR. Once completed, we can then take our dump/plow trucks to clean up the road. Completed 7 am Sunday. Staff was able to witness residents with 4-wheel drive trucks able to climb the hill during this weekend.
- Tuesday 2/16 was dedicated for retrograde, to include survey of equipment repairs, salt washing, and development of any lessons learned from this past storm.

## DUPONT POLICE DEPARTMENT

**Total Calls for Service 2/08/21 – 2/14/2021: 125**

***Average: 17.85 calls per day***

**Weekly activity included, but was not limited to:**

- Miscellaneous calls for service, including proactive, protective patrols: (Includes suspicious persons, vehicles and activity) – 46
- Property Crimes – 2
- Domestic Violence Incidents/Responses – 2

- (One of the two, arrest for felony/assault with a weapon)
- Driving Under the Influence (DUI) – 1
- Arrests/Referrals to Prosecutor – 3

### **Incidents of Note and Department News:**

On February 8, 2021, I-5 northbound had an accident at milepost 120 which diverted traffic going through DuPont for approximately 3 hours. Heavy traffic emphasis on Center Drive was conducted during this time.

DPD would like to thank the Public Works team for their attention to the roads during the snowstorm, which enabled officers to respond to various calls in the city as well as safely patrol areas where people were likely to get stuck.

### **Community Policing:**

DuPont Police Department (DPD) has seen a rise this year in fraud and mail theft cases. Many people are receiving stimulus checks, W2's and other important tax return documents in the mail right now that which contain personal information. Below is a list of tips that can help prevent you from becoming a victim:

1. **Go paperless.** Choose to have your financial statements sent to you electronically, and pay your bills electronically. By going paperless, you save money on stamps, reduce the risk of losing something in the mail and reduce paper consumption.
2. **Don't send cash and/or gift cards in the mail.** Cash and gift cards are easily taken and there is no way to prevent someone else from using them.
3. **Check your mail frequently.** Check your mail daily. The longer you let your mail accumulate in the mailbox, the easier it is for thieves to get their hands on your personal information.
4. **Hold your mail.** Are you going somewhere or leaving town for a few days? If so, contact your local post office and ask them to hold your mail until you get back. This is also a good time to suspend or hold your paper deliveries to your house as well, so they don't pile up near your door. Here is the contact information for the DuPont Post Office: [U.S. Postal Service](#)
5. **Watch out for suspicious emails and mail.** Remember, most companies will not ask for your personal information through an email. Avoid using links to your account that are provided in an email – log directly into your account from the website. If you are not sure about a business, check with the Better Business Bureau to see if they are a reputable company: [Better Business Bureau](#)

For more information on Fraud or ID theft, please visit the Federal Trade Commission's ID Theft website: [Identity Theft Resources](#)

Did you know that you can also ask DPD to check on your residence for you while you are away? Visit the City of DuPont's website and fill out "Vacation House Check" form, then call our

administrative line and arrange to drop off your request (253-964-7060), or you can email your request to [Police@dupontwa.gov](mailto:Police@dupontwa.gov).

## PET LICENSES

All cats and dogs over 3 months of age within the City of DuPont must be licensed. Proof of vaccination must be presented at the time of licensing. New residents have 30 days to license their cats or dogs, who are three months of age or older. [Applications can now be submitted online.](#)

## SUPPORT LOCAL RESTAURANTS

To better help our local eateries, the City has created [a page on the City website](#) of local DuPont food establishments that are offering takeout and delivery services.

## WASHINGTON'S COVID-19 VACCINE PHASES

The Department of Health has released phases for vaccine distribution. For complete information visit the [Department of Health's website](#). To find out when it's your turn visit [FindYourPhaseWA.org](#).

## TACOMA-PIERCE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

To stay up to date on the latest COVID-19 numbers in Pierce County visit the [Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department website](#).

## JOB OPENINGS

The City of DuPont has several open positions. To view job opportunities [click here](#).

## YOUTUBE LIVE

The City now streams Council Committee Meetings on **YouTube Live**. These meetings will be available to view on the [City's YouTube channel](#). Workshops and Council Meetings will be filmed by **PCTV** and **YouTube Live**.

## UPCOMING BUSINESS MEETINGS

### FEBRUARY 23, 2021 COUNCIL WORKSHOP

- Tree Board Update
- Developer Fees/Impact Fees
- City Council Policies & Procedures
- Civil Service Appointment

Business Meetings		
February 22	Planning Commission	City Hall*, 6:00 PM
February 23	City Council Workshop	City Hall*, 6:00 PM

\*City Hall & EOC meetings will be through Zoom

<b>Activities</b>		
<b>March 24</b>	<b>Ina Garten Ice Box Cake Class</b>	<b>1:00 PM, Zoom</b>

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*“One day your life will flash before your eyes. Make sure it’s worth watching.” – Gerard Way*