

CODE & BUILDING ADMINISTRATOR

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What a year-and-a-half we have had here in the Building Department! With new phases starting in Millville by the Sea, Bishops Landing and Coventry winding down, I would like to give you a little overview on what has taken place since the last newsletter.

The Town's fiscal year runs from May 1 through April 30. So, for Fiscal year 2015, the Town had issued 192 building permits. This is an 8% increase in building permits.

Let me try and break down all the activities for you so you can see the big picture of the amount of growth taking place here in Millville.

Of the 192 building permits issued, 132 were for Single Family Homes and Townhouse Units. This is an increase of almost 10%.

Here's the break down by development:

	Permits Issued
Bishops Landing	65
Coventry	6
Meadows	2
Millville by the Sea	59

From May 1 through April 30 for Fiscal Year 2016, the Town had issued 154 building permits. Of the 154 building permits issued, 109 were for Single Family Homes and Townhouse Units.

Here's the break down by development:

	Permits Issued
Bishops Landing	57
Coventry	10
Millville by the Sea	42

The difference in the building permits were for Commercial tenant fit-outs, additions and various amenity buildings, fences and sheds. So, as you can see, the Town is growing at a pretty fast pace. I tell everyone that Millville is the fastest growing town in Sussex County, if not the State.

Also during this time frame, the Subdivision of Windhurst Manor has been built out and completed, and residents have established their own HOA which appears to be operating quite well. Congratulations to the residents for their efforts and patience!

Notwithstanding, the following still applies for **construction hours**:

§ 72-2 Construction activities on weekdays and Saturdays.

A. September 1 to May 15:

(1) Monday through Friday: 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

(2) Saturday: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

B. May 16 to August 31:

(1) Monday through Friday: 7:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

(2) Saturday: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

§ 72-3 Construction activities on Sundays and holidays.

A. No interior or exterior construction of buildings and dwellings shall take place on Sunday.

B. No interior or exterior construction of buildings and dwellings shall take place on the following holidays: New Year's Day; Memorial Day; Fourth of July; Labor Day; Thanksgiving Day; and Christmas Day.

C. Nothing contained herein shall prevent any homeowner from working within his own property boundaries, provided that such work is done by the homeowner and members of his immediate family and the property is used exclusively by him or his family and guests as the dwelling of the property.

§ 72-4 Infrastructure construction activities.

Construction activities related to the installation of water and sewer infrastructure, roads, stormwater and roadways are exempt from time limitations stated in § 72-2.



The Delaware State Police (DSP) presented a plaque to the Millville Volunteer Group for their work toward helping Camp Barnes. Pictured left to right: **Maj. Robert Hawkins**, **Trudi Lombardi**, **Col. Nathaniel McQueen Jr.**, Volunteer Chair **Linda Kent**, **Pat Moulder**, Town Manager **Debbie Botchie**, Town Accounting Clerk **Anna Scarola**, **Cpl. James "Shawn" Hatfield**, and **Maggie King**.

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- ◆ As of December 3, 2015, the Town received a State grant from its Division of Parks and Recreation (DPF) for \$200,000.00 to go toward the purchase of the Town's park, to be located on Dukes Drive (see Matt's article)! This is great news for the Town as it means the Town had to pay even less for the property than expected!
- ◆ The 3rd Annual Millville Holiday Market was held on Saturday, December 5, 2015, and it was a great success, with 25+ vendors selling various goodies for people of all ages, as well as for our four-legged friends!
- ◆ There will be a Town Board of Adjustment hearing on Monday, December 14, 2015, for case BOA 16-01, submitted by Mr. Richard Bloch, to appeal a decision by the Town Administrative Official relating to signage.



Georgetown - Sussex County reminds dog owners that March 1 is the deadline to obtain licenses for dogs 6 months and older. For spayed and neutered dogs, the annual cost is \$10; for non-spayed and unneutered dogs, the cost is \$15 yearly. Licenses must be obtained by March 1 each year. Call 855-7380 for more info or visit:

www.sussexcountyde.gov/doglicenses



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