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- Inez Lee
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Lamar's Monthly Connection

August 2022

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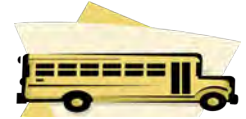
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Business Office: 843-326-5551 Police Department: 843-326-5555

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**WATCH OUT DRIVING!
SCHOOL IS IN!**

Lamar-Spaulding Elem.
Spaulding Middle
Lamar High



Water Payments



- **Due on the 20th of the month.**
- **All "late" payments received after the due date will be assessed a 10% late fee.**
- **A \$50 reconnection fee must be paid before water service is restored to a disconnected residence for non-payment.**
- **Customers that tamper with water service equipment after it has been disconnected will be assessed a \$200 tampering fee.**

******If your water service is disconnected, your trash roll cart will be picked up also. No water-No trash pickup.**



If you need help, call the Darlington County Communication Action Agency at 843-332-1135 to apply for help.

TextMyGov

Skip a phone call and use your mobile phone's text messaging to find answers to your questions or report issues. Text "Hi" to the Town of Lamar at (843) 326-0266.

ATTENTION: BUSINESSES STATEWIDE STANDARD

Lamar is changing the current business license year to a new statewide standard license year of May 1 – April 30. This requirement is due to Act 176 at the state level.

The current license year expires April 30, 2023. At that time when applying for a new license, the business must provide proof of its gross income based on the previous calendar year. Questions may be directed to the Town Administrator.

Police Department Hiring

Contact Chief Scott
JOIN OUR TEAM



Apply in person at 117 W. Main St. or access an application at www.lamarsc.org. Starting \$16/hour and **\$2000** Sign-On Bonus.

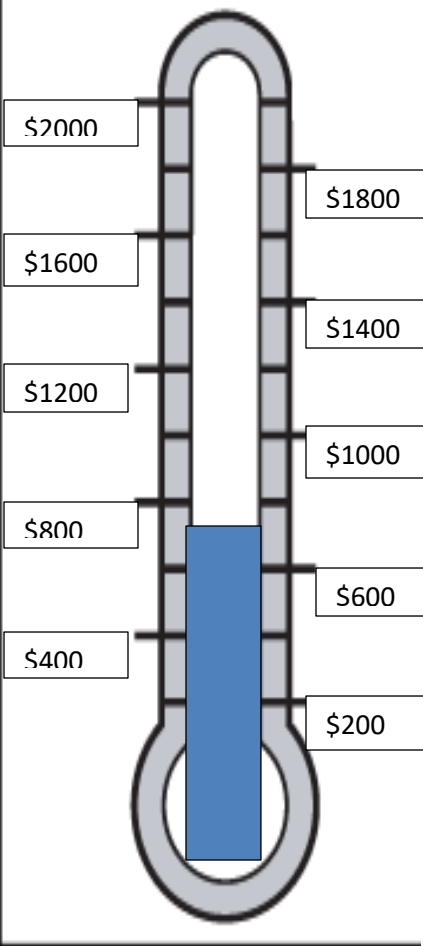
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Contributions are welcomed!
Go to Town Hall. Thank you!

The Clock Fund
as of
Date: August 1

Our Goal: **\$2,000.00**

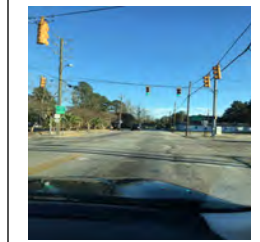


1872-2022 SESQUICENTENNIAL AUGUST Salute to Farmers/Merchants

Test yourself! How many farmers and merchants do you know by name in and around town? Learn to know all of them at this event. Shake their hands. THEY ARE THE LIVELIHOOD OF LAMAR.

This is the fifth Sesquicentennial event celebrating our 150th Anniversary. It will take place on Saturday, August 27, at 10:00 AM on Railroad Avenue.

Help salute our farmers and merchants. They are necessary for the success, security, and continued existence of Lamar. You might say, when thinking of our farmers and merchants together, "Lamar is small town living in the country."



Planning Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals Established

Lamar Planning Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals have been established. The members were appointed by Lamar Town Council.

On Friday, July 29, ten members of the two groups engaged in six hours of training, required by the South Carolina Municipal Association to be a member. The training was facilitated by an approved SC Municipal Association Planning Commission instructor.

The Planning Commission is delegated to propose plans for future activities and developments in the town—the legal process for deciding the future use of land in Lamar and can include, but not limited to, permitted activities, setbacks, signs, landscaping, environmental restrictions, density, and site plans.

The Board of Appeals hears appeals and proposals and makes decisions about exceptions and variances to current zoning ordinances.

Notice: ORDINANCES

Lamar is governed by a set of ordinances that are in compliance with county and state ordinances. Consequences are attached to ordinances VIOLATED.

From [Lamar Town Code](#)

Chapter 3: ANIMALS

3.107. DOMESTIC ANIMALS AND FOWL AT LARGE. PROHIBITED.

It shall be unlawful for any person to allow any domestic animal or fowl to run at large on the public streets or in public places.

3.108. ANIMALS; UNLAWFUL TO PEN. CERTAIN.

It shall be unlawful to pen within the corporate limits the following animals and fowl: chickens, hogs, cows, mules and horses.

3.211. DOGS RUNNING AT LARGE PROHIBITED

No person having the ownership, possession or control of any dog shall allow such dog to run at large. Any dog off the property of the person having the ownership, possession or control of such dog shall be under the control of the person having custody of such dog.

NOTE: If you have an unwanted dog, cat, or other animal on your property, you may call Darlington County Animal Control at 843-398-4011. A cage will be brought to your property to capture the animal.

What to Expect in August:



- [Day of Prayer & Fasting](#) – 1st Monday
- [Town Council Mtg.](#) – August 8 - 6:15 PM
- [Harvest Hope Pack Box Day](#)- Aug. 11 - 9 AM -11 PM
- [Beautification Meeting](#) – August 12, 9 AM
- [Kids' Racing League](#) – August 13 - 12 PM - Library
- [Court with Judge Craig LaCross](#) – Aug. 15 – 1:30 PM
- [Pokemon Club](#) – August 20 - 10:30 AM - Library
- [Water Bill Due](#) – August 20
- [Salute to Farmers/Merchants](#) – Sat., Aug. 27, 10 AM
Railroad Ave.

Things Worth Knowing

--Town Hall: M-Th - 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM 843-326-5551

--Post Office: M-F – 9 AM – 1:00 PM; 2:30 PM – 4:00 PM
S – 9:00 AM – 10:00 843-326-5211

--Recreation Center: [Chris Weaver, Director](#) 843-992-4480

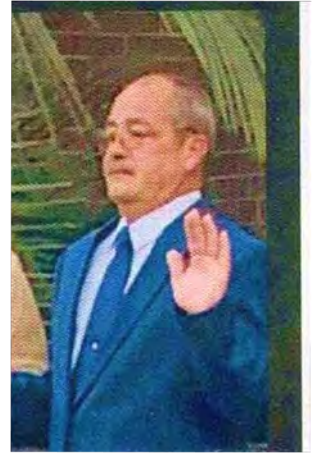
--Library: M-Th – 10 AM – 7 PM: F – 10 AM – 5 PM
S – 10 AM – 2 PM 843-326-5524

NOTICE: If you would like to place information in the newsletter, please contact Inez Lee of the Beautification Committee at ilee@lamarsc.org or contact her at 843-230-7137 by the 20th of the month. Text Janie Howell at Cell 843-326-5224.

Lamar Mayor
James Howell

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"In every day there are 1,440 minutes. That means we each have 1,440 daily opportunities to make a positive impact in Lamar."



This summer has been a scorcher, especially July. Believe me, I know! If you're inside or outside, please keep hydrated.

The Council and I are constantly working to make improvements in our Town, "The small Town with a Big Vision." We encourage you to help us—shop local, keep your place clean, help your neighbor, be positive, follow the ordinances, etc. You are the Town!

We are also taking care of our infrastructure with grants that have been supplied. The Zion Pump Station is one such project. Soon we will begin working on a grant to replace our water system.

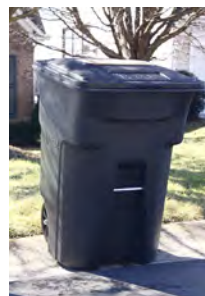
We have some new businesses beginning to show their faces: Bee Hive Hair Salon, Raceway Diner, First Down Cutz, Early Belle, and another one or two not named yet. The more, the better! Lamar is on the move.

THE FIFTH SESQUICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION WILL TAKE PLACE ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 27. THIS EVENT HONORS THE FARMERS AND MERCHANTS IN AND AROUND TOWN. THEY "FEED" AND "PROVIDE" GOODS FOR US. THE TIME IS 10:00 AM ON RAILROAD AVENUE. SEE YOU THERE.

Watch out for our children starting to school. Drive carefully and look out for children darting across the streets.

Come or watch our Council meetings the second Monday of each month at 6:15 P.M. Go to www.lamarsc.org for announcements and events. The monthly minutes of the meetings are recorded there. Keep informed.

Mayor James Howell



ATTENTION:

TRASH ROLL CARTS
MUST BE ROLLED TO SIDE
OF STREET AND THE BAG
MUST BE TIED UP.

Library News

By Kelly Shull, Manager



by the Library and pick up a FREE library card. The library provides valuable information; you may check out books, movies, DVDs, e-books, audiobooks, and you may read the magazines and daily newspapers, use the computers, and much more.

While you are there, please welcome [Ann Beasley, Children's Librarian](#). She started in June.

