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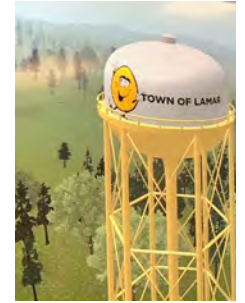
Lamar's Monthly Connection APRIL 2023

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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.

No water-No trash pickup.



Sparrow Swamp Bridge

On US-401 North

The time has come! South Carolina Department of Transportation will begin work on the US-401 Bridge over Sparrow Swamp on Monday, April 3, 2023.

Due to extensive repairs, the area will need to be closed from all traffic. It is expected to take 3-4 months to complete.

Those going north out of Lamar on US-401 must find a new route to reach the desired destination. It is expected that Hibiscus Road will see more traffic as well as Windhamtown Road and Oates Highway, once this road is reached.

Be sure to allow more time to detour. To get to Becky's at Windham's Crossroads may require double or triple time.

(NOTE: Seven Bridges Road is also closed due to repairs on the bridge.)



NEED HELP
WITH:
GAS, LIGHTS, RENT
or **WATER?**

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



Repaving Main Street on
Monday, March 20, 2023.

Lamar's Egg Scramble Jamboree 2023 "Enchanted Under the Sea" March 31 and April 1, 2023

March 31 – Vendors and Night Parade
April 1 – Main and Gospel Stages, Vendors, and
Parade at 11 am



Ready for the Parade: 11:00 am Saturday (2022)

ATTENTION: BUSINESSES

Business License letters will be mailed the week of March 27, 2023. The Business License Tax Year begins on May 1, 2023. The South Carolina Business License rates will be based on two factors:

1. Base rate (Determined by the type of business)
2. Gross profit from the previous tax year (2022)



ORDINANCES – Check with Town Hall when questioning a situation.

LAMAR TOWN CODE

Chapter 5, Article II, Fire Prevention

5.210. Trash and Bonfires

It shall be unlawful to burn any trash or to have a bonfire within the corporate limits without first obtaining a permit from the Fire Chief, or in his absence, the Police Chief, or their lawful assistants.

5.211. Buildings Burned or Destroyed more than Half its Value

Buildings which may have been or hereafter be damaged by fire, decay or otherwise to an amount greater than one-half its value, exclusive of the foundation, shall not be repaired or rebuilt but shall be removed.

Chapter 15, Article II. Unlawful Acts

15.201. Damaging Public Property

It shall be unlawful for any person to damage, mutilate or deface any public property within the corporate limits.

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

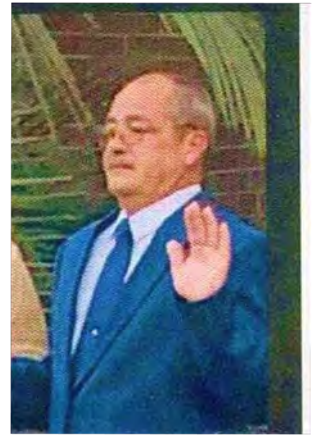
What's on the Schedule in April:



- Day of Prayer & Fasting – 1st Monday – April 3
- Story Time at Library – Every Tuesday – 10:00 am
- Planning Commission Mtg. - April 4 – 6:30 pm –Town Hall
- **Library will be closed April 7-8**
- Town Council Mtg. – April 10 - 6:15 pm, Town Hall
- Beautification Com. Mtg. –April 14 – 9 am, Town Hall
- Court with Judge Craig LaCross – April 17 – 1:30 pm
- Library Book Club – April 19 – 11 am
- Water Bill Due –April 20
- Lamar Alum. Assoc. 5K Run Walk – April 29 – 8:30 am
Lamar Track Field

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Most of us cannot forget April 15, tax day in the United States. This year you have until Tuesday, the 18th, because the 15th is on Saturday and Monday is Emancipation Day—a holiday—in Washington, D.C. No matter, the date is right around the corner. Hopefully you already have yours done. If not, buckle down and don't let the time go by.

Also, it is time to “weed and feed.”

In my business, it is a busy time trying to get lawns and yards ready for summer. That dormant yard is turning green and thus in need of nutrients, while those weeds need to be killed out.

My point is that there are certain things we must do in time, but there are other things that we can bring about at any time. Lamar is blossoming but not necessarily because of flowers and trees and the time of year. I cannot be more pleased with the growth of Lamar—new businesses, new housing, new citizens, new infrastructure upgrades, new school—all adding to a better quality of life for Lamar's citizens, employers, and visitors.

We must continue and positively look forward in regard to unsightly buildings, water and sewer problems, and identifying what's missing that can make a difference. We're progressing—join in and help.

April Lamar Library Youth Programs

Tuesday, April 4th - 5PM
Egg Hunt and Craft
All ages welcome! Bring a basket and come hunt for eggs filled with candy and surprises! We will also be making a fun craft!

Tuesday, April 18th - 5PM
Earth Day Seed Bombs
We only have one earth so let's take care of it. We will be making seed bombs for you to plant in your yard! All ages welcome!

Tuesday, April 25th - 5PM
Emoji Paint Workshop
Each child will paint their own emoji on canvas! Best for ages 6 and up.

NOTICE: If you would like to place information in the newsletter, please contact Inez Lee of the Beautification Committee at in81@aol.com or contact her at 843-230-7137 by the 20th of the month. Text or call Janie Howell at Cell 843-326-5224. (This is a cell number.)



LAMAR POLICE DEPARTMENT

Now Hiring Police Officers

Full-time Certified Officers \$2000 Hiring Bonus

Certified Officers earn up to \$17 per hour on experience and certification

Full-time Non-certified Officers

Starting pay at \$14.50 per hour with pay increase after successfully completing the SC Criminal

Justice Academy

Employment Qualifications

Must be a U.S. Citizen

Must be at least 21 years old

Must have a H.S. diploma or GED

Must have a valid S.C. driver's license

Must pass all phases of Background check

Benefits and Incentives

\$2000 hiring bonus

(Certified Officers only)

Insurance

Retirement

Uniforms/Equipment (Provided)

Take home vehicle (With approved mileage)