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Presidential Preference Primary

March 17, 2020

The Presidential Preference Primary will be held on Tuesday, March 17, 2020. Polls are open from 7:00 am to 7:00 p.m. Voters who are registered with the Democratic or Republican parties will vote for the presidential candidate they wish to represent their party in the General Election.

Finding your assigned polling location is simple using the Precinct Finder. The precinct you live in determines which races will be on your ballot and where you vote. On Election Day, you must vote in the polling location that is assigned to your precinct.

For more information on voting in this election, please contact the Supervisor of Elections Office at 561-656-6200.
Firefighters Supporting Education

Take a Child to School Day

On Thursday, February 20, 2020, Fire Rescue provided four-year old Abby a ride to school in the Village’s fire engine. The “Firefighters Supporting Education” initiative gave the Good Shepherd School an opportunity to raise money for school supplies, via a silent auction.

Firefighters, escorted by the Tequesta Police Department, picked Abby up from her home and gave her a tour of the Village, which ended at the school. Abby turned on the engine’s lights and siren as they entered the school parking lot where her classmates and teachers were waiting to greet and cheer her arrival. Lt. Dave McGovern presented Abby with her own firefighter shirt, hat and badge; and Chief Trube swore her in as an “Honorary Firefighter for the Day.”
Business after Hours
February 26, 2020
at
Blue Pointe Bar and Grill

RSVP’s are kindly requested

Council Legislative Initiative
Recyclable and Polystyrene Materials

During the February 13, 2020 Council Meeting, Council approved Resolution 3-20 strongly encouraging the State Legislature to approve Senate Bill 182 (2020) and House Bill 6043 (2020). These bills, if adopted, would eliminate the preemption of local laws regulating recyclable and
polystyrene materials and the preemption of local laws regulating the use or sale of single-use plastic bags. The action was taken based on a recommendation by the Village’s Environmental Advisory Committee. The committee is composed of Chair Tom Bradford, Vice-Chair Robert Shaw, Member Frank Harding, Member Lisa Krimsky, Member Jessica Namath, Member Maris Pearson and Member Resa Listort.

The resolution explains plastic bags and polystyrene materials are detrimental to the environment and tourism because they do not fully degrade and introduce unsafe chemicals into the environment. Additionally, plastic bags and polystyrene materials create the potential for death of land and marine animals through entanglement and ingestion. Single use plastic bags are difficult to recycle and frequently contaminate material that is processed through the Village’s curbside recycling and composting programs.

A Florida Department of Environmental Protection analysis determined the need for new and different regulations on bags used by customers to carry products from retail establishments. They recommend the implementation of new standards requiring the prohibition of plastic carryout bags and encourages the use of reusable bags to the benefit of the State’s environment. However, these recommendations have not been adopted by the Florida Legislature, effectively preempting local regulation regarding such retail bags.

Tequesta Police to Partner with North County Communications Center

On October 1, 2020, the Tequesta Police Department will enter into a partnership with the North County Communications Center, known as NorthCom. This will enhance the safety of our community and police officers. When a major incident occurs, the full resources at NorthCom are utilized as a team to handle the added demand of the situation.

As of now, the Tequesta Police Department does not have direct communication with any of the jurisdictions that border Tequesta. Being able to communicate with adjoining jurisdictions, will allow Tequesta officers to know what criminal activity is happening in the surrounding areas, and in real time. This will allow the officers to have a greater situational awareness and is a force multiplier. By having this real time information, Tequesta officers will be able to perform their job in a more efficient and effective manner.
Active Shooter Training
Are you interested in learning about Community Active Shooter Response Training? The Tequesta Police Department is hosting an Active Shooter training at Futures of Palm Beach on Wednesday, February 26 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

COMMUNITY ACTIVE SHOOTER RESPONSE TRAINING

Futures Recovery Healthcare is partnering with the Tequesta Police Department to provide Run/Hide/Fight techniques in response to potential active shooter scenarios.

• Learn the history of active killing
• Role play various scenarios and how to ideally react
• Learn proper techniques from experienced law enforcement professionals
• Enhanced and refined presentation with Lt. Smolen

Who should attend this training?
• Parents
• Educators
• Business owners
• Employees
• Community patrons
• Anyone and everyone!

When: Wednesday, February 26th, 6:00-8:00pm
Where: Futures Recovery Healthcare Community Room

Light refreshments will be served.
All community members are welcome.
RSVP only. Seats are going fast. Reserve your seat today!

Contact Laura Kunz at lkunz@futuresrecoveryhealthcare.com
FDOT Public Information Workshop  

US 1 Bridge Replacement Project

Thursday, March 5, 2020
5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Jupiter Community Center
200 Military Trail
Jupiter, FL  33458

Proposed Improvements:
- Improved navigation clearances of 35 feet vertical and 125 feet horizontal
- Bike lanes on both sides of the bridge
- Intelligent Transportation Systems to be provided using technology to improve traffic flow for a safer and less congested road
- Improved traffic operations at Alt. A1A and Dixie Highway by reconfiguring intersection and adding a traffic signal

Construction Information:
- Construction Start Date:  Summer 2021
- Anticipated Completion:  Fall 2025
- Anticipated 20 Month Bridge Closure and Detour Beginning:  Fall 2022
- Construction Cost Estimate:  $133 million

FDOT Project Website

This is an FDOT project, not a Village of Tequesta project.
Crosswalk Emergency Repairs

US1 and Tequesta Drive
February 23, 2020
10:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.

Lane Closure:
One Lane at a time will be closed on the northbound and southbound side of US1

Maintenance of Traffic:
Signage, Flashing Lights, Flagging.

Contractor: Atlantic Paving

Contact Name: Ray Cruz

Phone: 305-513-8632
We’ve Joined Neighbors

The Tequesta Police Department has joined the Neighbors app by Ring to provide the Village of Tequesta with real-time, local crime and safety information. “Neighbors” is a neighborhood watch app that provides real-time, local crime and safety information. The Neighbors network enlisted millions of users and has been instrumental in stopping burglaries, catching thieves and keeping neighborhoods safe.

Residents can download the free Neighbors app, input their address, and use the app to:

- Share crime and safety-related videos
- Photos and text-based posts, and
- Receive real-time safety alerts from their neighbors, the Tequesta Police Department and the Ring team
Website Redesign

The Clerk’s Office in coordination with the IT Department will begin a website redesign project in the near future. Please complete the informational form. This will give us an understanding on what you like about our current site, what you would like to see included in the new site and what you would like to see changed on our new site.
STAR Award Program

Tequesta residents, businesses, customers and Council members have a unique opportunity to help identify and recognize the Village's STAR employees via our new Service Recognition program. Village Manager, Jeremy Allen, spearheaded this customer service initiative as one of his first duties. He defines a Service Star as any employee who "raises the bar above and beyond the Village's customary high performance standards!"

**S** - Service with a smile (courtesy)
**T** - Teamwork (cooperative spirit)
**A** - Amazing (can-do attitude)
**R** - Responsiveness (commitment to communicate)

If you would like to nominate an employee to receive this award, please complete the STAR Nomination Form and return it to Human Resources. The [nomination form](#) can be found on the Village’s website under Human Resources.
Shred It and Coffee with a Cop

Save the Date

The Village Clerk’s Office in coordination with the Police Department and Waste Management are hosting a Shred It event and Coffee with a Cop on Saturday March 28, 2020. Please join us and have coffee and a conversation with your local police officers, while having your confidential and sensitive documents shredded.

Saturday
March 28, 2020
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Village of Tequesta Parking lot
Have coffee with a Tequesta Police Officer
&
Prevent Identity Theft
Bring your personal sensitive documents for onsite shredding.
*** Incorporated Tequesta Residents Only ***

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Save the Date…

Upcoming Council Meetings
- Workshop – 3/2/20 – 6:00 p.m.
- Regular Council Meeting – 3/12/20 – 6:00 p.m.
- Annexation Workshop – 3/16/20 – 6:00 p.m.

Environmental Advisory Committee Meetings
- 3/11/20 – 2:00 p.m.
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