

In The News



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For an appointment with any City Commissioner or the City Manager, please call 863-984-1375 x 238
City Commission Meetings are the **3rd Monday** each Month at 7:00 pm

Recap of February 16, 2015 City Commission Meeting

Honeybee Lane Resurfacing Project Update

Polk City Library

 Tuesday March 17th. Come into the library wearing green and get a prize. Book Club will meet on Tuesday, March 17th at 6:00pm. We are reading "The City" by Dean Koontz. If you would like to read the book and join us, please see the librarian for a copy.

Curbside Clean Up

It's clean up time! On **Saturday, April 11, 2015** round up the junk from the basement, garage, backyard or attic and get it to the curb for the Spring Curbside Clean-Up. This is your chance to place general junk, mattresses/box springs, unusable furniture such as desks, chairs, tables, lamps, tires (without rims) and appliances and Republic Services will pick up the items. Place the materials at the curb before 6 am on April 11. This clean-up is for residents inside the city limits only. Please see flyer on the City's website – www.mypolkcity.org.

Republic Services Reminder

Just a reminder that Republic Services will be picking up yard waste on Wednesdays instead of Monday. Garbage recycling and bulk present scheduled pick up day is on Monday and will remain on Monday. For further details, see the Republic Services flyer on the City's website – www.mypolkcity.org

Staff Recognition

On March 4, 2015, Mayor Joe LaCascia presented Howard Coggin, a Woodard & Curran Wastewater Operator assigned to Polk City Water Utilities, with a Certificate of Recognition for working above and beyond the call of duty. Howard was recognized through Woodard & Curran's recognition program with an "Applause-Applause" award. The award was given to Howard for responding to a leak in Mount Olive Shores North on Super Bowl Sunday. Although the leaking service line could have waited until the morning, Howard insisted on fixing the leak mid-second quarter of the big game because "it was the right thing to do despite the timing" responded Howard. Mayor Joe LaCascia commented during the presentation that Utilities, as well as all City staff have worked hard to change public perception and it is working. Howard Coggin has been with Woodard & Curran for four and a half years.



Business of the Month

First Help
Urgent Care Clinic

235 North Commonwealth Avenue
(863) 984-8000

Hours of Operation : 8:30 am - 5:00 pm, Monday – Friday

First Help Urgent Care Clinic and First Family Practice has been serving Polk City since 2005 and is staffed with experienced medical personnel to provide quality care for you and your family. We accept most insurance. We offer a variety of services such as: Physicals for work, school, sports, Certified DOT Physicals, FAA Flight Physicals are available on Tuesdays by appointment, Substance abuse clinic is available on Tuesday by appointment, Provide vaccinations for children, sponsored by FL Vaccines for Children, Workman's Compensation assessments area available, Sutures of lacerations, Abscess removals, EKG's, Drug Screening, Urine Analysis, Pro-Time, Glucose Testing, Women Wellness exams for Family Practice patients. Stop by and visit us for your medical needs.

Other Happenings around Polk County

Easter Egg Hunt

First Baptist Church of Polk City (212 Hamolia Avenue) will host its Annual Easter Egg Hunt and Party on Saturday, April 4, 2015 from 11:00 am - 12:30 pm. This event will include fun, food and LOTS OF EGGS to be found. Invite your friends and meet us in our Activities Building (where we play AWANA games). Parking will be available on Azalea Avenue and Hamolia Avenue. For further details, please contact the Church at 863-984-1384 or visit their website - www.fbcpolkcity.com.

FREE Diabetes Management Class

Date: Thursday, April 9, 2015

Time: 12:30 pm – 3:30 pm

Venue: Polk City Activity Center, 203 Lakeshore Drive

Polk Healthcare Plan's Indigent Health Care Division is hosting a FREE Diabetes Management Class. Call and reserve your seats today at 863-519-2041 or 863-519-2066 as space is limited. Transportation is available for Polk HealthCare members through Transit Services. Call 863-534-5500 x 1 to schedule.



Utilities Department

Polk City now accepts credit card payments for utility payments at the Polk City Government Center. This includes Visa, Mastercard, American Express, and Discover card. Please note there is a 2.95% processing charge on the total payment, from the credit card processing company. Utility deposits and other payments still have to be paid with cash, check, or money order at this time.

All bills for service shall be due by 2:00 p.m. on the 25th of each month. All utility bills not received by 2:00 p.m. on the 25th of the month shall be considered delinquent and be subject to the delinquent charge. If the payment due on the 25th has not been received by the 5th of the next month, then the utility service will be subject to disconnection on the next business day. In all cases where water is subject to cut-off, due to nonpayment, a service charge of \$50.00 shall be made without regard to whether the service is off or on. Once utility service is cutoff due to nonpayment, the reconnect fee will also apply.

Polk City has the ability to offer paperless billing to our customers, which is known as E-bills. If you are interested in taking advantage of this new service, please contact the Utilities Department at 863-874-4808, or email kmckinney@mypolkcity.org, Monday-Thursday during normal business hours.

Polk City Utilities EMERGENCY number is 1 -866- 815- 0074.

***If you have community activities or news that would be of interest to the Polk City service area, please contact Sheandolen Dunn – sheandolen.dunn@mypolkcity.org – 863-984-1375, extension 238.

Polk City Staff would like to wish each of you a happy



St. Patrick's Day