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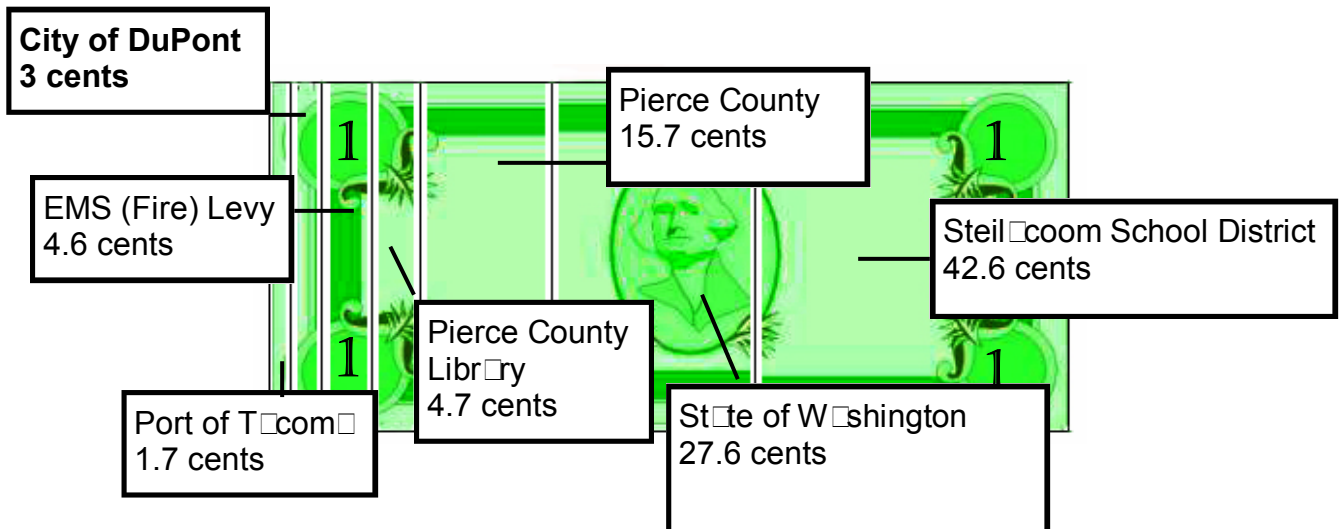
News From City Hall
City of DuPont
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Where your property tax dollar goes.



SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE CITY

- **Public Safety** – 6 police officers, vehicles and duty equipment. The city has 3 volunteer/reserve police officers. 7 fire fighters/EMS first responders, fire truck, EMS vehicle, command vehicle and duty equipment. The City's fire/EMS service is augmented by 9 trained volunteers.
- **Public Works** – Maintenance of City equipment, vehicles and facilities to include city hall, police station, fire station, public works building, museum, city water wells, trails, city parks, and roads/right of ways.
- **Community Development (Planning & Building)** – This department provides the array of services required for residential and commercial development and manages compliance with multiple state laws, including the Growth Management Act, Shorelines Management Act and State Environment Protection Act. The Department also provides the City with its Comprehensive Land Use Plan and periodic updates.
- **Customer Service/Administration/Accounting** – Responding to citizen concerns, requests for information and documents, pet and business licensing, permits, new utility hookups and transfers, financial management, budget preparation, water, utility billing.

The NW Land ROA/COA mandates will be greens/pocket parks. During the first two years in new development, the right of way landscaping is mandated by the COA/ROA. The responsibility then shifts to the City. The City mandates the sewer system in the Historic Village. (It is currently being upgraded and will transfer to Pierce County.) Electricity is provided by Puget Sound Energy. Sewer, refuse and court are provided by Pierce County.

DuPont, WA . . . A Rich History and Vibrant Future

UPCOMING CITY EVENTS:

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| July | 16 ... | Council Workshop — Property Tax Levy Resolution (7PM City Hall) |
| | 22 ... | City Council Meeting (7PM City Hall) |
| | 28 ... | Planning Agency Meeting (7PM City Hall) |
| | 31 ... | Budget Workshop (7PM City Hall) |
| August | 4 ... | Park Agency Meeting (7PM City Hall) |
| | 6 ... | Civil Service Meeting (6PM City Hall) |
| | 11 ... | Planning Agency Meeting (7PM City Hall) |
| | 12 ... | City Council Meeting (7PM City Hall) |
| | 25 ... | Planning Agency Meeting (7PM City Hall) |
| | 26 ... | City Council Meeting (7PM City Hall) |

YOUR ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES

Mayor Penny Drost	964-1433 or pdrost@ci.dupont.wa.us
Councilmember Bob Bartro	912-0201 or bbartro@ci.dupont.wa.us
Councilmember Bonnie Potts	964-1626 or bpotts@ci.dupont.wa.us
Councilmember Steve Young	964-2495 or syoung@ci.dupont.wa.us
Councilmember Tamara Jenkins	912-2005 or tjenkins@ci.dupont.wa.us
Councilmember Penny Coffey	964-8769 or pcoffey@ci.dupont.wa.us

FREQUENTLY USED NUMBERS

City Hall (information)	964-8121
Planning Department	912-5388
Public Works	912-5381
Building Department	912-5387
Fire Department	964-8414
Police Department	964-7060
Website	www.ci.dupont.wa.us

(Always call 911 in an emergency)

Humane Society Services

The City recently signed an agreement with The Humane Society for Tacoma and Pierce County regarding dogs and cats without an identifiable owner. At the City's request, a Humane Society officer will pick up confined strays or the shelter will accept strays brought in by citizens. The Humane Society will also assist the City with injured or distressed dogs and cats or aggressive dogs without an identifiable owner. Please note that in all cases, the City must officially request this assistance. From 8:00 to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday (except legal holidays), call City Hall at 964-8121 to report a confined stray or injured, distressed or aggressive pet animal. On holidays, in the evening or on weekends, contact the DuPont Police Department at 964-7060 or the Mayor at 964-1433. DuPont residents who voluntarily surrender their own pets at The Humane Society's shelter will be charged \$45.00.

News From City Hall

Every month the City has important information to share with citizens, but the old format of our newsletter (The Villager) was not successfully conveying this. Many citizens were not even aware The Villager was an official city news document. So, we've changed the name (News From City Hall) and we're keeping it shorter, more official and easier to read. In addition, at Council meetings citizens frequently ask for information that would be of interest to all residents. We will share this information in News From City Hall.

Welcome!

Penny Coffey was appointed to fill the Council vacancy on July 8. Penny has been serving as a member of the Planning Agency and was a member of the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) on the property tax proposal.

Dick Smith is on board as our Interim Fire Chief. Dick has a wealth of experience in fire service. He has helped out many cities as interim chief and is a former state fire marshal.

HISTORIC DuPONT COMPANY TRAIN UPDATE

Thanks to the interest and generosity of the citizens who have contributed both work and money, the restoration of the historic DuPont Company train is progressing.



Many of you have met Gary Lucas who has spent countless hours and many miles door knocking to raise funds for this project. If you have not been contacted and desire to contribute, you may drop your donation off at the Museum on a Sunday afternoon, or contact a committee member.

Recently the engine was scraped and this last week painting was begun. It will soon be its original bright yellow color.

The Weyerhaeuser and DuPont Companies have made a generous contribution of rails and ties which will soon be moved from the Plant site.

Stop by Robinson Park, next to the Museum, to watch the progress of the project, and meet the hard working committee members. To volunteer your services, contact any committee member.

For more information call a member of the Train Committee

- Bert Wyant964-8075
- Gary Lucas. 912-5903
- Fred Forman.964-1535
- Mike Richards. 964-1472
- Arnie Joringdal.564-7216

DuPont Planning Agency Vacancy

The City is seeking interested citizens for appointment to the Planning Agency for the remainder of a four year term ending March 31, 2006. Please contact City hall at 253-964-8121 for application information.



MAKING SOME IMPROVEMENTS?

You may need a permit. Generally, permits are required for all construction AND improvements which alter or add to your residence. Common examples are: structural changes or repairs (including adding or removing interior walls), enlarging or adding openings in walls or ceilings, truss or rafter repairs, exterior decks and stairways, excavation and grading, rockeries or retaining walls over 4 feet in height, installation of lawn sprinkler systems, and others. Most normal home maintenance activities are exempt from such permits, but when unsure, check with the building department. By obtaining a permit for your work, when required, our staff will be able to assist you in ensuring your project will meet minimum standards of safety and preserve the value of your home investment. Contact our Building Department at 912-5387.

Raccoon's pose serious risks



Raccoons are cute, especially the juveniles, but they pose serious risks for pets. Rabies and coonhound paralysis are the most serious health risks, but a raccoon's long, sharp claws and teeth can easily kill a cat or small dog. Larger dogs can sustain significant lacerations from an encounter with a raccoon - resulting in costly emergency care and hospitalization.

In the initial phase of rabies, a raccoon may seem friendly and small children can be tempted to try to pet it. The raccoon actually is not friendly and could easily bite the child. Coonhound paralysis results from a raccoon bite and is transmitted by the raccoon's saliva. It causes an inflammation of the peripheral nerve roots. A dog may show signs of weakness in its legs at first, but progression to paralysis is quite rapid.

Be Safe! Raccoons should be respected for the wild animals that they are and should not be invited into neighborhoods by providing them with food or leaving uneaten pet food outside.

NOTICE

STREET SWEEPING

STREETS WILL BE SWEEPED WITH POWER EQUIPMENT

**August 4th and
August 5th**

**Historic Village
El Rancho Madero
Northwest Landing**

**Between 8:00 AM
& 5:00 pm**

Please park vehicles in driveway and other off street areas.

**Your cooperation is
appreciated.**

If you have any questions, please call 912-5381.

Skell Street Construction

Parents be aware that Skell Street near Chloe Clark School is being torn up for the Historic Village sewer project. Children should be warned not to travel through or play in the area.
Thank you.