



CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER



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WATCH OUT FOR THAT TRACTOR!

With the spring and summer months upon us, farming season is starting up and it's a good idea to watch out



for farm equipment and other slow moving vehicles.

Fields are being planted and grass is starting to grow along the roadway,

and we're seeing more tractors on or near the roadways. For those traveling on the roadways in and around Woodstock, the following reminders are provided which will help keep those on slow moving vehicles and yourself safe:

- Watch for hand signals. Sometimes a tractor veering right does not mean the operator is pulling over for you to pass. Anticipate that they will make wide left turns when they move to the right side of the road near intersections or field entrances.
- Slow down as soon as you see farm equipment and mowers.
- Recognize the Slow Moving Vehicle (SMV) emblem: a reflective red and orange triangle mounted near the center of the rear of every piece of equipment designed to travel at low speeds. This is a sign educating and advising you to immediately slow down.
- Do not speed past farm machinery.
- Only pass in safe, designated passing zones. Never assume the farmer knows you are behind the machinery or that you want to pass. Remember, if you can't see their mirrors they can't see you.

- After passing, leave plenty of space between you and machinery before you move back to the right lane.

It is important that we always be watchful for farm equipment on our roads, especially rural ones. Being aware will help everyone return home safely.

BROWN PRINTING GETS ENERGY GRANT!



Congratulations to Brown Printing for its receipt of a Commonwealth Edison Smart Ideas for Your Business Grant in the amount of \$271,154. The grant acknowledged Brown Printing's effort to develop a spray humidifying system as part of its printing and production activities, which significantly reduced electricity costs and resulted in greater efficiency. As a result of Brown's efforts, the electrical load for this task was reduced by approximately 99% and all 24 of its electric-powered humidifiers were shut down, generating a savings of \$300,000 to Brown. Again congratulations to Brown Printing as a leader in energy conservation and technology innovation.

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RECRUITMENT NEWS

Interviews were held this week with 6 candidates for **LPT Box Office Worker** and **LPT House Manager** at the **Woodstock Opera House** and an announcement of selected candidates will be forthcoming.

Two outstanding candidates were invited back for second interviews for **Finance Director** this week with **City Manager Roscoe Stelford** and **HR Director Deb Schober**, and participation by all available Department Directors, followed by questions from the entire **Finance Department** staff.

Interviews with 6 candidates for **Public Works Director** are scheduled for Monday, June 10th & Wednesday, June 12th, and will include professional peer participation from surrounding communities as well.

The internal posting for **WWT Plant Operator I**, a transfer opportunity available only to current City of Woodstock **Public Works** employees, expires today, 6/7. Interested candidates should submit a letter of interest and current resume outlining their qualifications to the **HR Department** by the end of the day.

Applications from CDL-licensed **Maintenance Worker** candidates are under review and a selected number will be invited to interview, following determination of the internal transfer to fill the **WWT Plant Operator I** position cited above.

HEALTH & SAFETY MESSAGE: FIGHT FAT WITH SUPERFOODS

As more and more Americans struggle with stubborn weight gain, many of us are also succumbing to identified levels of diabetes as a result. The American Diabetes Association suggests these optimal “superfoods” to combat the growing number of so many individuals who are now experiencing this unfortunate condition:

- **Beans**—any kind, red, black, kidney, pinto, garbanzo

- **Dark green, leafy vegetables**—spinach, kale and collard greens
- **Fiber-rich citrus fruits**—oranges, grapefruit, lemons
- **Berries**—strawberries, blueberries, raspberries
- **Colorful vegetables**—such as sweet potatoes and tomatoes
- **Omega-3 rich fish**—such as salmon, trout, mackerel and tuna
- **Nuts**—raw and unsalted, these make a terrific filling snack item
- **Dairy**—fat free yogurt and milk provide satisfying protein energy



MEETINGS NEXT WEEK...

Tuesday, June 11 – Economic Development
Commission -8AM, Council Chambers

Thursday, June 13 – Adjudication Court, 9:30AM,
Council Chambers



Failure is the condiment that
gives success its flavor.

[Truman Capote](#)