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City of Taneytown

NEWSLETTER

February 2026

- 2/4: Mayor & City Council Workshop (7:30_{pm})
- 2/9: Mayor & City Council Meeting (7:30_{pm})
- 2/11: Parks & Rec Advisory Board (6:30_{pm})
- 2/16: Street Sweeping (5:00_{am})
- 2/17: Comprehensive Plan Workshop (6:30_{pm})
- 2/23: Planning Commission Meeting (7:30_{pm})

March 2026

- 3/4: Mayor & City Council Workshop (7:30_{pm})
- 3/9: Mayor & City Council Meeting (7:30_{pm})
- 3/11: Parks & Rec Advisory Board (6:30_{pm})
- 3/16: Street Sweeping (5:00_{am})
- 3/21: March Table Talk - Taneytown Library (3:30_{pm})
- 3/24: Comprehensive Plan Workshop (6:30_{pm})
- 3/28: Easter Egg Hunt @ Memorial Park (1:00_{pm})
- 3/30: Planning Commission Meeting (7:30_{pm})

April 2026

- 4/8: Mayor & City Council Workshop (7:30_{pm})
- 4/13: Mayor & City Council Meeting (7:30_{pm})
- 4/15: Parks & Rec Advisory Board (6:30_{pm})
- 4/20: Street Sweeping (5:00_{am})
- 4/21: Comprehensive Plan Workshop (6:30_{pm})
- 4/25: Earth Day Cleanup—All City Parks (1:00_{pm})
- 4/27: Planning Commission Meeting (7:30_{pm})

May 2026

- 5/2: Bulk Trash Day @ Memorial Park (7:30_{am}-1:00_{pm})
- 5/6: Mayor & City Council Workshop (7:30_{pm})
- 5/9: Fishing Derby @ Roberts Mill Park (8:00_{am})
- 5/11: Mayor & City Council Meeting (7:30_{pm})
- 5/13: Parks & Rec Advisory Board (6:30_{pm})
- 5/16: Spring Community Flea Market @ Memorial Park (9:00_{am}-2:00_{pm})
- 5/17: Gifts & Gratitude Walk @ Bollinger Park (11:00_{am})
- 5/18: Street Sweeping (5:00_{am})
- 5/25: Memorial Day Ceremony @ Memorial Park (10:00_{am})
- 5/25: Memorial Day Parade—ACNB to Kennies (1:00_{pm})
- 5/30: Wine, Arts & Music Festival @ Memorial Park (11:00_{am}-4:00_{pm})

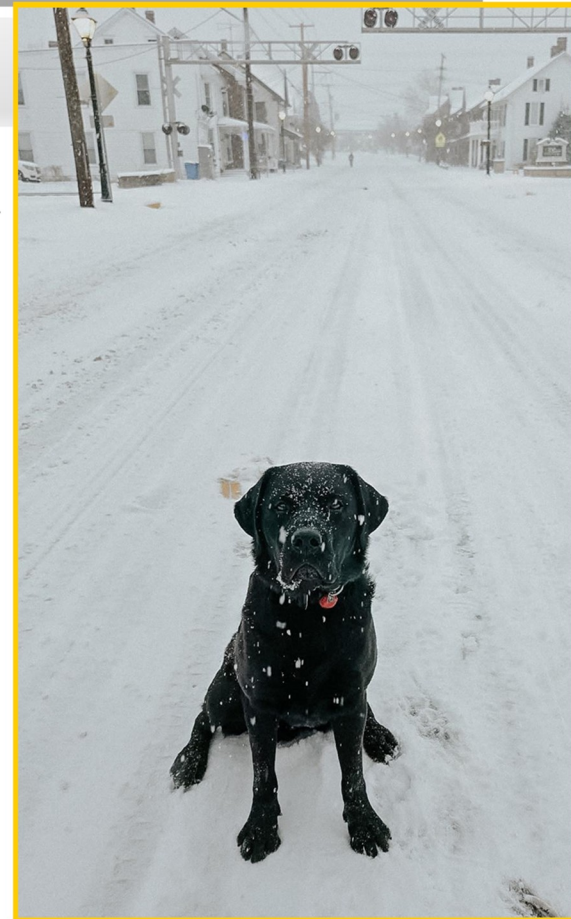
All dates subject to change

If you would like to have your community event posted in next months newsletter, please contact

Makensie Albin at malbin@taneytownmd.gov or 410-751-1100. **All events must be apolitical and community-oriented

The Mayors Message

Well, winter is here folks! Between the snow and the frigid weather, it's been a tough couple of weeks. Snow removal operations took place in January and we want to say thank you to everyone who helped keep the roads cleared as it took place and a big Thank you to DPW for getting the streets taken care of. With that said, the city is beginning work on pushing the Bypass forward & if you haven't had a chance, take a look at the State of the Municipality that I gave in the February 4th meeting. We have a list of comprehensive items to try to complete, to not only have city operations operate more effectively, but also to spur some real revitalization across the different areas of town. We're making changes in how we operate, how we interact with residents & how we respond to situations to make sure you're receiving adequate and responsive service from your government. I hope everyone was able to keep warm these last few weeks and



Thank you

Ms. Roxann Staub for 35 years of services with the Taneytown Police Department



Save the Date: July 3, 2026

In 2026, our nation will celebrate it's 250th birthday, and Taneytown is proud to be part of this historic milestone. On July 3, 2026, we'll be hosting a special America 250 Celebration featuring a festive evening of fireworks, local vendors, community activities, and opportunities to explore Taneytown's rich history.

This will be more than just a fireworks show—it will be a chance to come together as a community, honor our past, and kick off a year of once-in-a-generation celebrations. Mark your calendars now, you won't want to miss this event!



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DO NOT BAG MATERIALS!



Snow Removal Reminder

Property owners and occupants are required to clear snow and ice from sidewalks to allow safe pedestrian passage. Sidewalks left hazardous beyond this time may be cleared by the City at the owners expense. This expense may be in addition to the violation fine.

Updates From City Hall

Parks & Recreation

Our Parks & Recreation Community Survey is open, and we're getting some great responses! We hope to receive even more, so if you haven't already completed the survey, please do and let us know what you think of our parks and the events and programs in them – what you like, what you don't like, and what you'd like to see. It truly helps us plan for park improvements and recreational programming and we want to make sure we get as much community feedback as possible! We have some great events lined up for you this year, with the first being our annual Easter Egg Hunt at Memorial Park on Saturday, March 28th starting at 1 p.m. The hunt is open to all ages, divided into four groups (3 and under, 4 to 6, 7 to 9, and 10 and older), and every one of the 4,000 eggs has a toy or piece of candy inside! We hope to see you there!

Planning & Zoning

The Department of Planning and Zoning continues to review site plans including the EVAPCO Parking Lot Expansion (located on MD 194) and Taneytown Supply (located on Antrim Boulevard). There will be a Board of Appeals hearing in the coming month(s) regarding a proposed Tractor Supply use at the Taneytown Shopping Center. Progress continues to be made on updating the City Comprehensive Plan. In January, the Planning Commission reviewed the Future Land Use Map and the land uses outside the city but in the City's Designated Growth Area.

Upcoming Events:

Planning Commission Comprehensive Plan Workshop – February 17
Planning Commission - February 23

Police

We are so proud to share that Ms. Roxann Staub is celebrating an impressive thirty-five years with the Taneytown Police Department as our School Crossing Guard. This invaluable role significantly boosts student safety by guiding them across busy streets, improving driver awareness, acting as a community safety figure, and creating a more secure environment for children walking or biking to school. Roxann has served at different locations during her tenure, most recently being at Baumgardner Ave. We remain grateful for her presence in our community, her sacrifice, and her steadfast loyalty to the children of our community. Congratulations Roxann!

Public Works

The City of Taneytown will host a Bulk Trash Day on **Saturday, May 2, 2026 from 7:30am-1pm** at Memorial Park. Compaction trucks and dumpsters will be on-site to assist residents with the disposal of bulk household items. Citizens are asked to observe the following procedures:

- Citizens will be responsible for bringing their trash to the park for disposal.
- All persons who are dumping material will be required to show proper ID to the attendants, before they can drop off their items. Only citizens of Taneytown will be allowed to dispose of trash. All others will be turned away.
- Please do not leave trash in the park after hours specified above. The trash disposal service will only operate during these hours.
- Vehicles transporting bulk trash for disposal must be limited to passenger vehicles and pickup trucks. Large trucks should haul their items directly to the Carroll County Landfill.
- All items containing oil, gas, or freon/R32 must be drained prior to disposal.
- The attendant will direct you to dedicated dumpsters for metal items and appliances.
- There will be one compaction truck designated for all other acceptable recyclable items, which includes little tyke play equipment, plastic trash cans, etc.
- To keep the flow of traffic moving, all recycling items should be separated before entering the drop-off area.
- Dirt, sod, tires, propane tanks, paint (not dried out), concrete debris, batteries or chemicals of any type will not be accepted.
- Yard waste will be limited to grass clippings, flower & shrubbery trimmings only, and must be placed in paper— kraft bags.

Reminders From Public Works

Snow Removal & Winter Safety

During a snow event, the priority for streets will be those that carry the heaviest traffic. State Highway crews are responsible for York, Frederick, East and West Baltimore Streets. City crews will initially plow the main arteries followed by side streets, courts and alleys.

Please keep in mind:

- If you shovel before your street is plowed, snow may be pushed back to the curb once plowing occurs..
- Depending on snowfall, streets may need to be plowed more than once
- Do not push or blow snow back into the street
- Please do not approach snowplow operators while they are removing snow from City streets.
- Please help us maintain accessibility for fire protection by clearing snow from around fire hydrants that are in the vicinity of your residence.

On days when there is trash pickup:

- Citizens are encouraged to shovel out a place next to the street where the cans are placed or place the containers at the edge of the street.

To help crews work efficiently:

- Park vehicles in driveways, not on streets
- Citizens in cul-de-sacs must park vehicles in driveways to avoid having snow pushed and piled up around vehicle.
- Vehicles in cul-de-sacs should never park vertically to the curb

Preventing Frozen & Bursting Water Pipes

Indoor pipes can freeze depending on temperature, insulation, and placement. Pipes in attics, crawl spaces, basements, and exterior walls are especially vulnerable. Fire protection systems must remain heated and ice-free to ensure proper operation.

Risk Control Best Practices:

To prevent frozen or bursting pipes:

- Place piping in heated areas whenever possible.
- Insulate attics, exterior walls, and cold spaces.
- Repair broken windows, ill-fitting doors, and openings that allow heat loss.
- Keep exterior doors closed.
- Maintain building heat so no area with piping falls below 40* F.
- If a building will be vacant for an extended period, shut off water and drain pipes (sprinkler systems are exceptions).
- Provide pipe insulation or heat tracing where freezing is possible.
- Install low-temperature alarms in cold-prone areas.
- Properly maintain dry-pipe sprinkler systems.
- Winterize private yard hydrants.
- Clear snow and ice from hydrants, hose connections, and fire protection valves.

IMPORTANT: Know where your main water shut-off valve is located and ensure key personnel are aware.

Never thaw a frozen pipe with an open flame.

Scholarship Opportunity

The Carroll County Chapter of the Maryland Municipal League is offering three (3) \$1,000 scholarships to Carroll County students for the 2026–2027 school year. This scholarship is open to:

- Carroll County high school students accepted into a college, university, or technical school
- Carroll County students currently enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program

How to Apply:
Applications are available at the Town of Hampstead website (www.hampsteadmd.gov) under *News & Announcements* or at your local town office. Be sure to use the 2026 Application Form.

Deadline:
Applications must be received by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, April 24, 2026.

Submit applications to:
Council Member Dave Unglesbee
MML Scholarship Chairperson
Hampstead Town Office
1034 South Carroll Street
Hampstead, MD 21074
Questions: 443-289-6009| askdaveu@aol.com