

THE BUSHNELL BULLETIN

A Quarterly Newsletter for City of Bushnell Customer News and Information

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APRIL IS CLEAN UP MONTH IN BUSHNELL FOR RESIDENTIAL REFUSE CUSTOMERS

During the month of April 2013, residential customers can take advantage of miscellaneous trash pick-up **at no charge**.

Any work done by a contractor must be disposed of by the contractor (no disposal of roofing materials from a roofer, large trees taken down by arbor care specialists, etc.)

Follow these simple steps to take advantage of your free residential pickup during clean up month:

1. Debris and Trash must be separated into the following categories, and will be picked up at different times:
 - a. Metals
 - b. Carpets/Plastics/Furniture/Mattresses
 - c. Building Materials/Boards/ Sheet Rock/Blocks, etc.
 - d. Brush/Leaves/Trimming - ***MUST be either boxed, bagged or bundled up into no longer than 4ft. bundles.*** (Not following these guidelines may incur a charge to your account for the pick-up and disposal)
 - e. Tires
2. **NO HAZARDOUS MATERIALS** can be picked up.
 - a. No Paint - unless can is empty and dry with lid off.
 - b. No LP Gas tanks.
 - c. No Chemicals.

NOTE: Similar materials will be picked up together and driver may leave other types of material in the same location for a later pick-up.

PHASE I WATERING RESTRICTIONS IN EFFECT UNTIL JULY 31, 2013

Lawn Watering Days and Times

- Lawn watering is limited to twice per week. Lawn watering days and times are as follows:
 - o Even addresses may water on Thurs and/or Sun before 10 a.m. or after 4 p.m.
 - o Odd addresses may water on Wed and/or Sat before 10 a.m. or after 4 p.m.
 - o Locations without a discernable address, may water on Tues and/or Fri before 10 a.m. or after 4 p.m.
 - o Hand-watering and micro-irrigation of plants (other than lawns) can be done on any day and any time.

New Lawns and Plants

- New lawns and plants have a 30-30 establishment period, which allows any-day watering during the first 30 days during the allowable hours.
- During the second 30 days, watering is allowed three days per week:
 - o even-numbered addresses may water on Tues, Thurs and Sun
 - o odd-numbered addresses may water Mon, Wed and Sat
 - o locations without a discernable address may water on Tues, Fri and Sun

Fountains, Car Washing and Pressure Washing

- There are no restrictions on fountains, car washing and pressure washing.
Please use a shutoff nozzle on your hose, so water isn't wasted

For more information on Phase I Water Restrictions, please visit South West Florida Water Management Districts website at: www.watermatters.org

CITY HALL WILL BE CLOSED ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:

Good Friday – March 29th, 2013

Memorial Day – May 27th, 2013

**** TRASH WILL BE PICKED UP ****

HANDICAP DOOR BUTTONS AT BUSHNELL CITY HALL



There are handicap buttons both on the inside and the outside of City Hall. You must hit the button right in the center in order for them to open the door. The doors are very heavy; if they do not open right away, please give it a minute to open.

If the doors do not open after waiting, please call 793-2591 or alert someone behind the counter and we will open the doors for you.

“FRIENDLY REMINDERS”

Permitting:

- Are you opening or have already opened a new business in Bushnell? Check with the City of Bushnell Building Department about sign permit requirements.
- Are you remodeling or making repairs to your home? Are you thinking about building or installing a new shed? Check with the City of Bushnell Building Department about permits needed first.

Yard Sales:

- All City of Bushnell Residents are allowed 2 yard sales per year. They can be held for 3 consecutive days and require a permit.
 - You can pick up your permit from City Hall before having your yard sale. There is no cost for this permit.

SHOULD THE CITY CONSIDER FLUORIDATION OF THE WATER?

In this April utility bill, you will find a survey asking citizens if they are in favor or against the City adding fluoride to the drinking water supply. The Bushnell City Council has been requested to consider this issue.

A Town Hall Meeting was held on Thursday, March 21st, in order to provide a forum for citizens to become more informed about this issue and exchange opinions before sending out the customer survey.

Please complete your survey and return to the City of Bushnell.

DEADLINE FOR \$500 ELECTRIC SCHOLARSHIP

The Bushnell electric scholarship program will award one graduating senior with a \$500.00 scholarship for any Florida University, Community College, or Vocational School. This scholarship may be utilized for any year or semester that the student wishes to apply the awarded funds.

Applications for the scholarship must be submitted to the City on or before Friday, April 19, 2013. Applications are available at the City Hall – 117 E. Joe P. Strickland Jr. Ave., or the South Sumter High School Guidance Office.

Requirements:

- Dependent who resides in the home of a city electric customer
- 2.5 GPA minimum
- Graduating Senior – Class of 2013
- Minimum two page essay on topic provided

WAYS TO PAY YOUR UTILITY BILL:

The City of Bushnell has the following payment options available to our customers:

- **online bill pay**; accessible through our website at www.cityofbushnellfl.com
- **pre-authorized payments**; the funds will automatically come out of your checking account. You will never forget to pay your bill again!
- **drop box or drive-thru** on the side of the building.

**NEXT REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 1st, 2013 AT 6:00 P.M.**

If you would like to have the City Council agenda emailed to you prior to the meeting, visit www.cityofbushnellfl.com – sign up to receive the agendas, or view the agenda and entire packet online.

BUSHNELL CITY OFFICIALS

Mayor	Bil Spaude
Vice Mayor	Warren Maddox
Councilman	Dale Swain
Councilman	Bill Durham
Councilwoman	Cookie Norman-Tadlock
City Attorney	Felix Adams
City Manager	Vince Ruano
City Clerk/Finance Director	Joy Coleman
Utilities Director	Bruce Hickle
Public Works Director	Mike Eastburn
Director of IS/Customer Affairs	Susan Noell
Director of Zoning /Code Comp.	Denise Lee
Director of HR	Kelly Marcoux

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