

# Dayton Discovery

THE TOWN OF DAYTON, VIRGINIA



SUMMER 2020

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## Mayor's Message

First of all, I want to thank the citizens of our wonderful town for their patience, their understanding and help during the last few months. We are missing our events, changing the way we do business, zooming our council meetings and you are to be commended on how well you are handling all of these challenges.

I also want to thank our police department and police committee for proactively taking a look at our policies and procedures so that we can feel safe and be confident that difficult situations are handled properly. It doesn't surprise me because our department is the best! They are on the AIR program...access-improve-repeat.

I also want to pass along some thoughts of encouragement. There are a lot of good things, funny things and informative things on social me-

dia. Unfortunately, there are lots of negative things too. I'd like to encourage peaceful conversations with as much listening as talking. I'd like to encourage thoughts, ideas and plans on how to help. Let's all do some research on our history so that we can have a better understanding of how we can help and grow and get along. And then maybe we can be more comfortable with uncomfortable conversations. Even if one person can't help everybody, everybody can help one person.

And finally, I love our evening walkers, conversations and kind words. Keep walking, stay healthy, stay safe and don't forget to wash your hands and wear your mask.

Thank you,

Mayor Sam Lee

## Manager's Memo

Happy Summer! Let's hope that the summer gets us back to some normalcy in our lives.

We appreciate everyone's patience and understanding as we have planned and implemented a number of strategies to ensure the highest degree of public safety.

Like so many businesses and governments throughout Virginia, our offices have re-opened after being closed for a couple of months. During the closure, staff that could work remotely from home did so, but the majority of our employees continued their work as usual at Town facilities. Either way, all staff continued maintaining our safe water supply, protecting

people and property through community policing, processing zoning permits and other requests, processing payments, and planning community events. We have taken, and will continue to take, recommended precautions as we monitor COVID-19 through the fall. Please watch our website and/or Facebook page for up-to-date information as things change.

We ask that you continue to use the payment slot when making payments. The payment window will be open if you need change or a receipt. The offices are open; however, we are asking that the public continue limiting in-person contact, when possible. When conducting business

inside Town Hall, you are asked to wear a mask and maintain a distance of 6 feet from others.

Parks remained open throughout the pandemic, but playgrounds and shelters were closed for a period of time. We are happy to have everything except the restrooms open, but caution that if COVID-19 cases begin to re-emerge, we may need to make adjustments. Please watch for updates.

Again, thank you for your patience. We wish you a safe and happy summer!

Angela Lawrence  
Town Manager

## Chief's Corner

I have had the opportunity to observe and reflect on the current events surrounding police and community relations. The tragic death of George Floyd caused by four Minneapolis Police Officers is unforgivable. The Dayton Police Department does not support the actions of the officers involved in Minneapolis, and they should be held accountable for their crime. As Police Officers, we take an oath to faithfully and impartially discharge all duties incumbent upon us. I was appalled at what I observed from people who took this oath. That type of behavior and culture is not tolerated within the Dayton Police Department. The officers who serve the Dayton community are professionals who care for every community member regardless of who they are. They perform their duties to the best of their ability with the department's core values in mind. The department has policies in place to guide officers in their duties. Dayton officers receive more training than required by the Department of Criminal

Justice Services to ensure they are providing the best police services they can for the community. The department and the police committee have already started taking proactive measures with police reform. We have a great department with great officers, but there is always room for improvement. The Dayton Police Department thanks the Dayton community for the tremendous amount of support we receive. The department has a long tradition of working with the community. We are just not police officers patrolling through town, but we are part of the Dayton family. Please know that we will always provide police services with a commitment to integrity, respect, professionalism, and partnership. I am honored to have the responsibility of leading the



Dayton Police Department and serving as your Chief.

Chief Justin Trout



### WALK LEFT

Walk on the sidewalk  
Walk facing traffic  
Use crosswalks  
Be visible  
Pay attention

### BIKE RIGHT

Ride with traffic  
Follow the rules of the road  
Be alert  
Stay visible  
Share the lane

### DRIVE WISE

Pass with care  
Be considerate  
Expect the Unexpected  
Respect all users  
Keep it clean

Reminder about the enforcement of parking violations by the Dayton Police Department. Parking on the wrong side of the street, facing the wrong direction, is the most violated parking offense in our Town. Please remember, when parking on the street, park in the same direction as the traffic flow.



## Dayton's Newest Council Members Sworn In!

Dayton Town Council appointed two new members to fill the vacancies. Bradford Dyjak (pictured left) was appointed to fill Todd Collier's seat, which will expire on December 31, 2020.

Dale Rodgers (pictured right) was appointed to fill Zack Fletchall's seat. That term was to expire on December 31, 2022. Mr. Rodgers will serve until December 31, 2020. A special election will be held to fill the vacancy for the remaining 2 years.



As the Rockingham County Director of Planning, Mr. Dyjak brings a strong understanding of government and extensive experience in public sector community development leadership, project management, planning and zoning administration, and volunteer service. His public service is firmly rooted in the understanding that local government is closest to citizens, most directly impacting their well-being. He lives on Mill Street with his wife, Andrea.

Mr. Rodgers is the Owner/President of PWD Window & Door, Inc. In addition to owning a local small business, he has more than 30 years of management experience. Mr. Rodgers enjoys working as a team to develop plans and carrying out the implementation and looks forward to working with the Town Council and staff in this manner. He and his wife, Dena, have lived in South Breeze Estates since 2007 and have lived all but 8 years of their lives in Rockingham County.





**Summer Music Concerts at Dove Park**  
7:00—9:00 p.m.

These concerts are BYOB events. This is a tentative concert schedule. Please check our website and Facebook pages for updates.

July 18—A New Shade of Blue  
August 1—Overdrive Band  
August 29—Big City Band  
September 19—Everyday People



Residents are reminded that all yard waste must be placed in paper biodegradable bags, and be free of household trash, rocks and dirt. Please keep grass clippings out of the street and off the sidewalks. Tree limbs and trimmings too large to bag must be tied in bundles not exceeding five feet in length and of reasonable size to allow convenient handling. Disposal of tree stumps, trunks or limbs larger than six inches in diameter is the responsibility of the property owner. Yard waste is collected on Mondays of each week, and must be placed curbside by 7:00 a.m. on the day of collection.

Household trash collection is on Fridays. Remember to put your cans out no earlier than 5pm on Thursday and remove to the side or rear of your property no later than 8am on Saturday.



## Shop, Dine and Gather Local

At the very heart of shopping and dining local is the idea of supporting a community. Inside your favorite Dayton shops, restaurants, and businesses

are people – your own neighbors, friends, and family who work tirelessly to provide goods and services for all of us. They continue to pour their time, energy, hearts and souls into their businesses while also giving back to their community. These businesses are unique to Dayton and are critical to our sense of community and identity. As we all look toward economic recovery and enhanced quality of life, let's support our businesses and restaurants whenever we can. Show them that you are glad they are in Dayton. Show them that you appreciate their hard work. And, let's stay local by exploring Dayton parks, walking the neighborhoods and greeting your neighbors as we connect again.

To assist you in supporting local business, a new tab has been added to the [daytonva.us](http://daytonva.us) website. Under the business tab, local businesses will find important information and resources to assist businesses in realizing their success and residents and tourists will find a directory of businesses that are licensed and located in Dayton.

## SLOW THE SPREAD OF COVID-19

[cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus)



Wear a cloth face covering in public spaces



Stay at least 6 feet from other people



Frequently wash your hands



**Can't get to DMV?**  
**DMV is coming to DAYTON!**

**June 29-July 1, 2020**

9 a.m. - 4 p.m. each day (appointment only)

Visit [dmv.virginia.gov](http://dmv.virginia.gov) for more information. See DMV staff the day of the event to sign up for a "standby" appointment.

## Notice to Business Owners:

There are many programs emerging to assist businesses with COVID-19 recovery. The county and town are looking at creative ways to support businesses using funds available through the federal CARES Act. Please monitor the business information section of our website to access the latest news and resources and please make sure we have a good email address for you to ensure you receive an electronic copy of our business newsletter.



**Your response matters!** Register your response to the 2020 Census online at [my2020census.gov](http://my2020census.gov), by mail, or by calling 844-330-2020!

This is your opportunity to shape Dayton's future. The Census helps to determine how federal funding flows into local communities for the next decade. That funding shapes many aspects of our community and goes towards transportation, schools, fire/rescue & community programs.

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## Calendar of Meetings and Holidays

(check our website and Facebook page for updates and changes)

### Meetings

#### Town Council

##### Scheduled Monthly Meetings

- Mon., July 13<sup>th</sup>, 6 p.m.
- Mon., Aug. 10<sup>th</sup>, 6 p.m.
- Mon., Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>, 6 p.m.

#### Planning Commission

##### Scheduled Monthly Meetings

- Thurs., July 16<sup>th</sup>, 6 p.m.
- Thurs., Aug. 20<sup>th</sup>, 6 p.m.
- Thurs., Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>, 6 p.m.

### Holiday Closings

#### Independence Day

Fri., July 3<sup>rd</sup>

#### Labor Day

Mon., Sept. 7<sup>th</sup>

*Yard waste and bulk trash will  
be collected on Tues., Sept. 8th*

### Events Calendar

Due to the COVID pandemic, events are constantly changing. Please refer to the Town's website or Facebook page for the most up-to-date event schedule.

- Summer Concert Series at Dove Park (see schedule page 3)
- The 2020 Muddler has been cancelled. We look forward to 2021!
- Police Department will be modifying the National Night Out event originally scheduled for August 4th. Please watch on-line for details.
- **41st Dayton Days/Autumn Celebration** October 3rd 8:30 a.m. — 4:00 p.m.

**Go Green! Go Paperless!** E-mail: [chall@daytonva.us](mailto:chall@daytonva.us) to receive the Dayton Discovery electronically.

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## ***2019 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report***

### ***Town of Dayton***

The Annual Drinking Water Quality Report for calendar year 2019 is now available for your perusal on the Town of Dayton website (see address below). This report is designed to provide you with valuable information about your drinking water quality. The Town of Dayton is committed to providing you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water, and we want you to understand the efforts we make to protect your water supply. The quality of your drinking water meets all state and federal requirements administered by the Virginia Department of Health (VDH), Office of Drinking Water. **Please note that we did not have any violations during the year 2019.**

If you have questions about this report, want additional information about any aspect of your drinking water, or want to know how to participate in decisions that may affect the quality of your drinking water, please contact:

Ms. Angela Lawrence, Town Manager at (540) 879-9538
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#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water include: (1) Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife; (2) Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming; (3) Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses; (4) Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are byproducts of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems; (5) Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Food and Drug Administration regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Water from surface sources is treated to make it drinkable while groundwater may or may not have any treatment. Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

All drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Water quality results are shown in a table on the reverse side of this page. In the table and elsewhere in the report you will find many terms and abbreviations with which you may not be familiar. Definitions are provided to help you better understand these terms. Detailed information regarding the sources, treatment and quality of your drinking water, source water assessments, and testing for the presence of various contaminants such as nitrate and lead, are also included.

The full water quality report may be found on the Town of Dayton website:

<https://d1clhyenx8n1f8.cloudfront.net/uploads/2017/10/water-quality-report-2019.pdf>

## WATER QUALITY RESULTS

Microbiological Contaminants						
Contaminant / Unit of Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Level Found / Range	Violation	Date of Sample	Typical Source of Contamination
Turbidity NTU	NA	TT=0.3 NTU	0.10 Max	No	Daily 2019	Soil runoff
		TT=95% of monthly samples must be <0.3 NTU	All monthly samples were < 0.3 NTU 100 % of the time			
Inorganic Contaminants						
Fluoride ppm	4	4	Range: 0.63 to 0.75	No	Monthly 2019	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Nitrate ppm	10	10	Average 5.6	No	Quarterly 2019	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Barium ppm	2	2	0.028	No	March 2019	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits
Lead & Copper						
Contaminant / Unit of Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Level Found / Range	Exceedance	Date of Sample	Typical Source of Contamination
Lead ppb	0	AL=15	7.5 (90 <sup>th</sup> percentile) One of the ten samples collected exceeded the lead AL.	No	September 2017	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits
Copper ppm	1.3	AL=1.3	0.22 (90 <sup>th</sup> percentile) None of the ten samples collected exceeded the copper AL.	No	September 2017	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
Radiological Contaminants						
Contaminant / Unit of Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Level Found / Range	Violation	Date of Sample	Typical Source of Contamination
Alpha emitters pCi/L	0	15	1.1	No	March 2017	Erosion of natural deposits
Gross Beta pCi/L	0	50	1.4	No	March 2017	Decay of natural and man- made deposits
Combined Radium pCi/L	0	5	1.7	No	March 2017	Erosion of natural deposits
Disinfection By-Products						
Contaminant/Unit of Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Level Found	Violation	Date of Sample	Typical Source of Contamination
(TTHM's) Total Trihalomethanes ppb	0	80	34	No	August 2019	By-product of drinking water chlorination
(HAA) Haloacetic acids ppb	NA	60	1.7	No	August 2019	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Disinfectant Residual Contaminants						
Contaminant/Unit of Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Level Found / Range	Violation	Date of Sample	Typical Source of Contamination
Chlorine mg/L	4	4	0.45 to 1.12	No	Monthly 2019	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Metals						
Contaminant/Unit of Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Level Found / Range	Violation	Date of Sample	Typical Source of Contamination
Sodium mg/L	-	-	5.61	No	January 2019	Erosion of natural deposits; de-icing salt runoff; water softeners

The results in this table are from testing done in 2017 and 2019. The state allows us to monitor for some contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently.