

FLOOD INSURANCE RATING UPGRADE

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) notified the City in June 2013 that the City's flood insurance rating has been upgraded from Class 7 to Class 6 in the National Flood Insurance Program's Community Rating System.

The Class 6 rating provides eligible Winter Springs property owners a 20% rate reduction on flood insurance policies issued for properties located within the 100-year floodplain. The previous rate reduction for the City's Class 7 rating was 15%.



The upgrade to Class 6 was based on FEMA's review and field audit of the City's floodplain management program. The upgrade is the result of the improvement and/or implementation of the following floodplain management activities in the City over the past five years:

- Floodplain Management Planning
- Floodplain Data Maintenance
- Enforcement of Higher Regulatory Standards
- Preservation of open space within the 100-year floodplain
- Adoption of flood studies exceeding minimum mapping standards
- Public outreach and providing accessible flood protection information (website)



**NATIONAL
FLOOD
INSURANCE
PROGRAM**

The National Flood Insurance Program is a Federal program enabling property owners in participating communities to purchase flood insurance as a protection against flood losses in exchange for State

and community floodplain management regulations that reduce future flood damages. The City of Winter Springs is a participating community in the National Flood Insurance Program.

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ON-STREET PARKING

On-Street Parking will be discussed on the Regular Agenda of the Winter Springs City Commission on Monday, August 12th, 2013. The Commission Meeting will begin at 5:15 PM in the City Hall Commission Chambers. The public is invited and encouraged to attend.

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Community Youth Organization
Flag Football
August 5 - 9, 2013
Torcaso Park





the City of Winter Springs **COMMISSION REPORT**



During the month of June 2013, the following Ordinances, Resolutions, Contracts and Agreements were approved by the City of Winter Springs City Commission:

Resolutions:

Resolution 2013-13 - recognized the retirement of Utility Department employee Tom Wise and his 29 years of dedicated service as an Employee of the City of Winter Springs.

Resolution 2013-10 - approved by Commission with the date of August 12th, 2013 for a final public hearing to establish the Tusawilla Phase III Assessment Program. Commission also approved Staff-recommendation (Option B) to allow the three (3) remaining entrance wall sections to be repaired and rebuild five (5) sections of wall with bricks reclaimed from the previous demolition.

Resolution 2013-11 - updated and re-established the City's outdoor off-premises sign inventory.

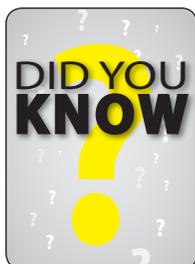
Contracts/Agreements:

- The City Commission accepted a grant from the Spirit of Blue Foundation in the amount of \$3,975.00 for the Police Department to purchase AMPED 5 professional software for forensic digital photograph and video enhancements.

- The City Commission authorized a purchase order to Barracuda Building Corporation for the construction of the Morton Lane Drainage.
- The City Commission approved a contract with GFA International, Inc., Nova Engineering and Environmental, LLC, and Quorum Services, LLC, for Building Inspections and Plans Review Continuing Services.
- The City Commission validated the Staff recommendation finding the Moss Park Commercial/Apartments sitework to be built in substantial accordance with the approved Final Engineering plans and accept the public infrastructure for ownership and maintenance, subject to completion of all open punchlist items prior to issuance of any Certificates of Occupancy.
- The City Commission authorized the Finance and Administrative Services Department to piggy-back off of the City of Melbourne, Florida's contract with Axis Data Solutions for the printing and mailing of utility bills.

Of Special Interest:

- The City Commission made the following Appointments:
Mr. Gregory Roero was reappointed to the Code Enforcement Board.
Mr. Maurice Kaprow was appointed to the Code Enforcement Board.
Mr. Vincent Giannoni was appointed to the Board of Trustees.
Mr. Jim Van Kleunen was appointed to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee.
- The Winter Springs Police Department presented the Altamonte/Longwood Kiwanis Club with a check to be used for their Families in Transition Program. The monies were raised through a Winter Springs Police Department Charity Basketball Tournament.



THAT ANSWERS TO MANY FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ARE AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE?

For more information, visit our website at www.winterspringsfl.org and click on Find, then Questions.



LOOKING FOR RESIDENTS TO SERVE YOUR MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION!!!

We need you!!! The City of Winter Springs is very fortunate to currently have many great citizens who serve their community by sitting on the City Commission's various Boards and Committees. The service of these wonderful and involved citizens is so appreciated by the Mayor and City Commission, and City Staff.

Most of the City's Boards and Committees meet quarterly, but a few meet on a monthly basis. Being a part of one of our Boards or Committees only requires a few hours of one's time monthly or quarterly, but for this small effort, the rewards are incredible! – serving the Mayor and City Commission; meeting and working alongside fellow citizens; learning more about YOUR City; and working with the City's professional and technical staff.

Currently, the City's active Boards and Committees include:

- Bicycle And Pedestrian Advisory Committee (Meets Quarterly)
- Board Of Trustees (Meets Quarterly)
- Code Enforcement Board (Meets Monthly)
- Oak Forest Wall And Beautification District Advisory Committee (Meets at least annually)
- Parks And Recreation Advisory Committee (Meets Quarterly)
- Planning And Zoning Board/Local Planning Agency (Meets Monthly)
- Tusawilla Lighting And Beautification District Advisory Committee (Meets Quarterly)



The City Commission wants to make sure that as many citizens who are interested in serving in such a way, are able to – so, if you would like to serve on one of the City Commission's Boards or Committees, please contact the Office of the City Clerk at 407-327-5955 to request an application and/or more information OR just go to our Website at <http://www.winterspringsfl.org/EN/web/gov/boards.htm>. The link to the City's Application will be in the first paragraph.

THE CITY OF WINTER SPRINGS WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME THE FOLLOWING BUSINESSES:

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| 4 Seasons Remodeling, LLC. | A&E Stone, LLC. | All in One Dentistry 1 |
| Almond Tree Spa | Galluppi and Sons Contracting, LLC. | Greg Adkins |
| R & J Brothers Painting, Inc. | | |



*Think, Shop, Buy
Winter Springs*

Winter Springs GoLocal is a free service helping Winter Springs business owners and Winter Springs residents connect. If you are a Winter Springs business owner and hold a valid business tax receipt with the City, go to www.winterspringsfl.org and click on GoLocal to add your business listing. For additional information, please call Michelle Kelly at 407-327-1800, option 1 or email her at mkelly@winterspringsfl.org.

TIP OF THE MONTH

Hurricane Preparedness



Two keys to weather safety are to **prepare** for the risks and to **act** on those preparations when alerted by emergency officials.

Refer to the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) [Ready.gov/hurricanes](https://www.ready.gov/hurricanes) for comprehensive information on hurricane preparedness at home and in your community.

Gather Information

Know if you live in an evacuation area. Assess your risks and know your home's vulnerability to storm surge, flooding, and wind. Understand National Weather Service forecast products and especially the meaning of NWS watches and warnings. Contact your local National Weather Service office and local government/emergency management office.

Contacts

Keep a list of contact information for reference.

- Local Emergency Management Office
- Law Enforcement
- County Public Safety Fire/Rescue
- State, County and City/Town Government
- Local Hospitals
- Local Utilities
- Local American Red Cross
- Local TV Stations
- Local Radio Stations
- Your Property Insurance Agent



Risk Analysis

Online hazard and vulnerability assessment tools are available to gather information about your risks.

- Check your hazards risks with FEMA's Map Portal.
- Rate your flood risk with the [FloodSmart.gov](https://www.floodsmart.gov) portal.

Plan & Take Action

Everyone needs to be prepared for the unexpected. Your friends and family may not be together when disaster strikes. How will you find each other? Will you know if your children or parents are safe? You may have to evacuate or be confined to your home. What will you do if water, gas, electricity or phone services are shut off?

Emergency Plans

Develop and document plans for your specific risks.

- Protect yourself and family with a Family Emergency Plan.
- Be sure to plan for locations away from home.
- Business owners and site locations should create Workplace Plans.
- Make sure schools and daycares have School Emergency Plans.
- Pet owners should have plans to care for their animals. The Centers for Disease Control & Prevention offer information on animal health impacts in evacuation shelters.
- Prepare your boat and be aware of marine safety if you are on or near the water.

TIP OF THE MONTH (Cont.)

Supplies Kit

Put together a basic disaster supplies kit and consider storage locations for different situations. Help community members do the same.

Health & Environment

Follow guidelines to guard your community's health and protect the environment during and after the storm.

- Review the Centers for Disease Control's (CDC) health considerations before, during, and after a storm.
- Remember to follow the U.S. Food & Drug Administration's (FDA) food and water safety guidelines during disasters.
- Review the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) suggestions for health and environmental safety in disaster preparedness.

Evacuation

- Review the FEMA Evacuation Guidelines to allow for enough time to pack and inform friends and family if you need to leave your home. FOLLOW instructions issued by local officials. Leave immediately if ordered!
- Consider your protection options to decide whether to stay or evacuate your home if you are not ordered to evacuate.



When waiting out a storm be careful, the danger may not be over yet...

Be alert for:

- Tornadoes – they are often spawned by hurricanes.
- The calm “eye” of the storm – it may seem like the storm is over, but after the eye passes, the winds will change direction and quickly return to hurricane force.

Recover

- Wait until an area is declared safe before returning home.
- Remember that recovering from a disaster is usually a gradual process.



If you feel uncomfortable about calling the police department, you can report suspicious activity anonymously to the Winter Springs Police Tip Line at 407-327-8977 or email us at crimetips@winterspringsfl.org. You do not have to give your name.

**Help the Winter Springs Police Department
Be a crime stopper, not a victim. Lock your car - Report suspicious activity.**

**Emergency: 911
Non-Emergency: 407-327-1000
Visit us on the web at: www.winterspringsfl.org
A nationally and state accredited law enforcement agency**

FLOOD INSURANCE RATING UPGRADE (Cont.)

The National Flood Insurance Program's (NFIP) Community Rating System (CRS) is a voluntary incentive program that recognizes and encourages community floodplain management activities that exceed the minimum NFIP requirements. As a result, flood insurance premium rates are discounted to reflect the reduced flood risk resulting from the community actions meeting the three goals of the CRS: (1) reduce flood losses; (2) facilitate accurate insurance rating; and (3) promote the awareness of flood insurance.

The City of Winter Springs has participated in the Community Rating System (CRS) program since 1992. As a condition of continued participation in the CRS program, the City implements floodplain management activities and gets reviewed and recertified annually by the Insurance Services Office. From 1992 to 2007, the City was rated as a Class 8. In 2007, the City's rating was upgraded to Class 7, and the City has now been upgraded to a Class 6.

For further information, please visit the City website at www.winterspringsfl.org, or contact City Engineering Staff at 407-327-5977 or 407-327-7597.

eAlerts

eCitizen

Sign up today to receive email notifications directly from the City of Winter Springs to your email inbox. Sign up is simple, free and will only take a minute. Just enter your email address and select which alerts and/or notifications you would like to receive.

Get Connected To:

Major Traffic Alerts, Criminal Alert Bulletins, Boil Water Alerts, Hurricane and Tornado Information, City Information, News, Special Events, Newsletters and many more!

Sign Up Today At:

<http://www.winterspringsfl.org/join>



Sign Up With Your Mobile Phone

Scan the QR code to the left with a QR code scanner app to sign up from your mobile phone or visit <http://goo.gl/6GBrF> from your mobile browser.



RECREATION CLASSES

Evening recreation classes are ongoing at the Winter Springs Civic Center. Classes include Tae Kwon Do, Yoga, Line Dancing, and Ballroom Dancing. For more information, please contact Brian Dunigan at 407-327-6593 or email bdunigan@winterspringsfl.org.



WINTER SPRINGS BASEBALL & SOFTBALL REGISTRATION



The Winter Springs Babe Ruth baseball and softball league will be holding registration on August 10th & 17th at Central Winds Park from 9 AM – 1 PM. To register, please visit the Winter Springs Babe Ruth website at www.wsbaberuth.com and register online via PayPal. Skills assessments will be held on August 24th from 9 AM – 2 PM at Central Winds Park. For more information, call Mike Hesselbart at 407-327-6589 or email at mhesselbart@winterspringsfl.org.



CYO

Community Youth Organization

The Winter Springs Police Department and Winter Springs Parks and Recreation Department are hosting the Community Youth Organization (CYO) this summer. This is open to any child age 7 and up that would like to come out for various sports activities. The Community Youth Organization is free of charge for all Winter Springs residents.

Torcaso Park



Football / Soccer Field
104 North Moss Road, Winter Springs



10 AM to 2 PM

Flag Football - - - - - August 5, 2013 to August 9, 2013



Lunch Provided

Hotdogs, chips, water, sport drinks.

If you have any questions, please call the WSPD Community Services Unit at 407-327-7565.

PHONE NUMBER CONTACT LIST



Departments		<u>Parks Division</u>	
City Hall	407-327-1800	Parks Maintenance, Safety Concerns, Park Rangers, City Parks, Dog Park	407-327-6592
City Manager	407-327-5957		Splash Playgrounds
City Clerk's Office	407-327-5955	<u>Recreation Division</u>	
Community Development Department	407-327-5968	Recreation Classes, Special Events, Pavilion Rentals, Spring and Summer Camps	407-327-6593
Finance Department	407-327-1800	Civic Center Rentals	407-327-6556
Information Services Department	407-327-7574	<u>Seniors Division</u>	
Mayor & Commission	407-327-5955	Senior Center	407-327-6554
Parks & Recreation Department	407-327-6599	Therapy Pool	407-327-6577
Police Department (non-emergency)	407-327-1000	<u>Sports Division</u>	
Public Works & Utilities Department	407-327-2669	Adult Softball and Flag Football, Youth Sports Partnerships, Sports Field Rentals	407-327-6589
General		Police Department	
City Hall	407-327-1800	Citizen Advisory Committee	407-327-7551
City Information Line	407-327-7594	Code Enforcement	407-327-7975
Community Development Department		Community Classes	407-327-7551
Arbor	407-327-6584	Crime Line	407-327-8977
Building Inspection Line	407-327-7596	Community Relations	407-327-7999
Permits Customer Service Manager	407-327-1800 Option 1	Fingerprinting	407-327-7970
Planning & Land Development	407-327-5968	Property & Evidence	407-327-7959
Urban Beautification	407-327-5976	Records	407-327-7970
Finance and Administrative Services		Traffic Division	407-327-7958
Accounts Payable	407-327-5952	Utility & Public Works	
Human Resources	407-327-5962	Water, Sewer, Reclaimed Water, Streets, Sidewalks, Drainage, Garbage Pickup, Recycling	
Utility Billing	407-327-5996	407-327-2669	
Fire		For Questions Regarding Water Bills, Garbage Bills, Garbage Schedules, or Recycling Bills	
Administration (Seminole County Fire Dept)	407-665-5175	Water Conservation	407-327-6584
Parks & Recreation Department		Water and Sewer Emergencies: After 5PM and Weekends	
Administrative Secretary	407-327-6597	407-327-2669	
Central Winds Park Weather Hotline	407-327-8951		

SENIOR CENTER AND THERAPY POOL

The Winter Springs Senior Center and Therapy Pool offer many different programs and classes for Seniors 55 and over. The Senior Center offers programs like Line Dancing and Jazzercise to keep you moving. We also have art classes like Ceramics, Scrapbooking, and Art Meetings. Other activities include Computer Classes, Bingo, Yoga, Open Art Painting and Tai Chi. The Therapy Pool offers a wide variety of water therapy classes from low to medium intensity. For more information regarding the Senior Center, please call Susie Coffman or Laura Domenech at 407-327-6554. For more information regarding the Therapy Pool, please call Dell Walker at 407-327-6577.

**CENTRAL FLORIDA TREASURES
AUGUST 10, 2013**

Today we travel through the rolling hills to some of Central Florida's hidden treasures. We'll begin with a walk through history at the Presidents Hall of Fame featuring one-of-a-kind exhibits dedicated to presidential and patriotic displays representing all 44 presidents, their first ladies and families, as well as important events in the history of our nation. Next, we'll enjoy a fabulous lunch overlooking the golf course at the beautiful Mission Inn Resort. Afterwards, we'll tour Florida's largest premium winery and enjoy a tasting of some of their award-winning wines.

Cost is \$63.00 per person and includes motorcoach transportation, tours as indicated in itinerary, lunch, taxes, gratuity on meal, and Driver's gratuity. Bus will depart the Winter Springs Sr. Center at 9 AM. For more information, please contact Susie Coffman at 407-327-6554.

**LES MISERABLES
SEPTEMBER 21, 2013**

Discover a nation in the grip of revolution, where convict Jean Valjean is on the run. Hunted relentlessly by the policeman Javert for breaking his parole, he must leave his past behind and keep his vow to raise the young orphaned Cosette. But with revolution in the air and Javert closing in, Jean Valjean has no choice but to fight for his life and sacrifice everything to protect the people he loves. The world's longest running musical and winner of 100 international awards. Not to be missed!

Cost is \$69.00 per person and includes motorcoach transportation, lunch at Dixie Crossroads, show, taxes, gratuity on meal and Drivers gratuity. Bus will depart the Winter Springs Senior Center at 10:15 AM. For more information, please contact Susie Coffman at 407-327-6554.

MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS TODAY!!!

FOR MORE QUESTIONS OR INFORMATION CONTACT: SUSIE COFFMAN AT
407-327-6554

SENIOR BINGO

The Winter Springs Senior Association invites you to play Bingo on Wednesdays at 1:30 PM. We also have a Special Sunday lunch and Bingo on the last Sunday of every month. For more information, please contact Susie Coffman or Laura Domenech at 407-327-6554.