

The Chapin Star

The Capital of Lake Murray

Boards and Commissions Members

APPOINTMENTS AND RE-APPOINTMENTS

Chapin Town Council met for the final time this year on December 19th and during their meeting, Chapin's Boards and Commissions had new members appointed and existing positions re-appointed for new terms. Among those who were re-appointed, Erin Wessinger was re-appointed to her position on the Planning Commission, Clay Cannon was re-appointed to his position on the Planning Commission, Gerald Meetze was reappointed to his position on the Architectural Review Board. A new addition, Brian Harbison, was formally appointed as a member of the Board of Zoning Appeals.

We very much appreciate the dedication and passion these community members have for the betterment of the Town of Chapin and we certainly look forward to having their help on our Boards and Commissions going in to 2024.



BRIAN HARBISON (PICTURED)

[FULL MEMBER LIST HERE!](#)



Town Spotlight

IT'S KELLY! OUR SUPERINTENDANT OF OPERATIONS!

Kelly Price has been with the Town of Chapin for several months now and has done a wonderful job keeping up with our Wastewater Treatment Plant. Kelly lived all over in her youth but calls Lexington, SC home. She currently lives in Leesville on a 36 acre cattle farm. Kelly has worked in wastewater for more than 5 years and is proud to be able to help clean our resources so they can return to the environment safely.

Upcoming Events!

2024 PREVIEW



One of the services the Town of Chapin is pleased to provide to the greater Chapin area is our community events. 2023 saw the return of such favorites as the famous Labor Day parade and festival as well as Old Timey Christmas. It also saw the return of some dormant favorites, such as Fall Night Out and the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast. The Off the Dock Block Party made it's debut this past June and was received well amongst the community.

2024 will see the return of all of these events over the course of the year, plus some brand new editions we'll be happy to announce soon. Stay tuned in to our social media feeds and website for impending announcements about dates, details, and forms for vendors and sponsors. Our full 2024 calendar will be announced very soon!

Thank you for a great 2023!

STAY TUNED HERE!

Christmas Lunch

COURTESY OF RICK BRYAN

Our Director of Public Works and Utilities, Rick Bryan, decided to spread a little holiday cheer at Chapin Town Hall last week and treated all of the town employees to a lunch he prepared with his own two hands. From Utilities, to Public Works, to Administration, to the Police Department, every one took their lunch break time to enjoy the fellowship of the season with each other. We wanted to formally thank Rick for his kindness and generosity. He's an extremely valued member of the Town of Chapin and his quality of character shows through every day.

Thank you Rick and everyone else who helped pull this lunch together, whether they brought a desert, helped with cleanup, or assisted in the food preparation!



TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

Paul Sadler named 2025/2026 Chapin Rotary Sunrise President

EDITORIAL

At the last meeting of The Rotary club of Chapin Sunrise, president and CEO of the Greater Chapin Chamber of Commerce, Paul Sadler, was named the president-elect for the 2025/2026 term. Paul has been a Rotarian for 3 years and currently serves as the club's Administrative Chair.



Chartered in 1995, The Rotary Club of Chapin Sunrise meets at the Crooked Creek Recreation Center on Thursdays at 7:30am. They are a part of a global network of 1.4 million neighbors, friends, and leaders volunteer their skills and resources to solve issues and address community needs. Town members include our own Town Administrator, Nicholle Burroughs, and Chief Thomas Griffin

Paul expressed his anticipation and hope for his upcoming term. "I'm excited that the members of the Rotary Club of Chapin Sunrise trusted my leadership capabilities enough to elect me as President for the 25/26 term. I'm dedicated to serving our community and promoting the Rotary Club's motto, Service Above Self. Alongside our leadership team and board, I'm confident that our club will continue to make a positive impact in Chapin and beyond," he said. Paul's term will follow the term of Allen Creighton, the president-elect for 2024/2025.



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Lease Old Town Hall!

WE WANT YOUR PROPOSAL!

Interested in leasing and operating out of Old Town Hall? The Chapin Town Administrator will receive sealed bids for the Leasing and Operation of Ity Hall located within the Town's Historic District at 107 Lexington Ave. until 3:00 p.m. EST on Friday, January 19, 2024, at Town Hall, 157 NW Columbia Ave., Chapin, South Carolina. More information and the RFP (Request for Proposal) form are available on our website linked below!

[RFP FORM HERE!](#)



Old Timey Christmas

RECAP

Nothing quite put a smile on our faces like our annual Old Timey Christmas event which was an absolute blast.

Between the performances from Lake Murray Elementary, Chapin Baptist Church, and Jim Leblanc, the variety of food and gift vendors, and appearances from Christmas icons such as the Clauses (Santa and Mrs.) and the Grinch, we truly cannot pick a favorite moment from that wonderful night.

We at the Town of Chapin would like to thank everyone who helped to make Old Timey Christmas possible, including our grand sponsor, Sozo Family Fitness, as well as OWN IT by Lake Life Realty for the music, The Tippy Toad tavern for the stage, decorations, and cleanup, Miss Cocky for the beautiful tree, Samantha Kilgore Photography for helping capture the night, the Chapin Junior Women's Club for decorating the North Pole, the Chapin High School JROTC for volunteering to help setup and facilitate the entire event. Our own Anthony Andrade and John Walston were also instrumental in pulling the whole event together.

Thank you everyone for helping us give a little Christmas magic to the people of Chapin and we hope to do it even bigger and better next year. Thank you to everyone who came out to enjoy the holiday festivities and we wish everyone in Chapin and beyond a happy new year!



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Have a story for us?

IF YOU HAVE A STORY THAT YOU FEEL WOULD BENEFIT YOUR FELLOW CHAPINITE TO KNOW, PLEASE SUBMIT IT TO US FOR NEWSLETTER CONSIDERATION. WE'D LOVE TO HEAR FROM OUR COMMUNITY!

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