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2020 Council Meeting Schedule
All Meetings start at 6:30p.m. and are held at 1 New Market Street

May 4th
May 18st
June 15th
July 20th
August 17th
Sept 14th
Oct 5st
Oct 19th
Nov 16th
Dec 7rd
Dec 21th

From the Mayor

To All City of Salem Residents:

The increase in criminal and violent activity weighs heavy on the minds of many residents including myself, and City Council. This administration continues working to address the spike in violent crimes as we have all criminal activity in the past.

Most recently, there has been a multi-law enforcement collaboration established between local, county, state, and federal agencies to address the increase in gun violence and crime in the city. This newest collaborative initiative includes; Salem City Police Department, Salem County Sheriff's Office, New Jersey State Police, the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Federal Agency of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms. It's the goals of this collaborative to provide much needed additional resources to fight violent crimes and to create an increased visible presence of law enforcement within the city.

Prior to current initiative; Mayor Washington, Chief Pelura III, and City Council have done the following:

- Created interdepartmental drug taskforce (investigate drug activities)
- Created Mayor's Taskforce (gun buy back, addresses variety of city issues)
- Implemented diversity police recruitment/hiring (4 minorities and 1 female since 2015)
- Hired 9 police officers in 5 yrs
- 2019 launched targeted surveillance camera initiative "All Eyes On Me"
- Submitted for US DOJ; C.O.P.S grant to hire 2 additional full time police officers in late 2020
- 2020 city budget adjusted to bring on 2 additional full time police officers (Total of 4)

As elected officials we will remain diligent in addressing the issues of crime within the City, so our residents can feel safe in and outside their homes. We know that criminal activity, is a symptom of an economy that does not work for everyone, and therefore; requires our attention to not only be reactive to our situations, but proactive with our solutions. As we continue to hire officers and establish safety initiative programs, my administration continues to work with purpose to change the economic situation that will provide positive economic results for our city and our residents. In order to address the issues, we face here in Salem, the city continues to work with our local, county, and state partners to achieve the goals necessary to reduce crime and improve our economic climate. In addition, as concerned citizens, that deserve a better quality of life, we must not put more responsibility of change on our partnerships then we do ourselves. As residents of our community it is important for all of us to speak up and assist law enforcement with information to bring offenders to justice and bring closure to families of senseless gun violence in our city.

God Bless You & God Bless Salem City,
Mayor Charles Washington, Jr

Recycling Drop-Off

515 Grieves Parkway

Saturdays, 7 a.m.
till 1 p.m.

Materials Accepted

Used Antifreeze
Refrigerators &
Other White Goods
(\$5.00 charge per)
Propane Tanks
(\$5.00 per)

Auto & Truck
Batteries
Used Motor Oil
Bulk Stickers for
white goods,
furniture and
propane tanks can
be purchased
at the City
Treasurer's Office,
17 New Market
Street

Need a dog license?

Come to 17 New
Market Street M-F
from 8:30 to 12 or 1
to 4 pm -
Remember, all pets
must be leashed and
licensed!

Copies of Birth and
Death records are
available at the City
Clerk's office at 17
New Market Street.

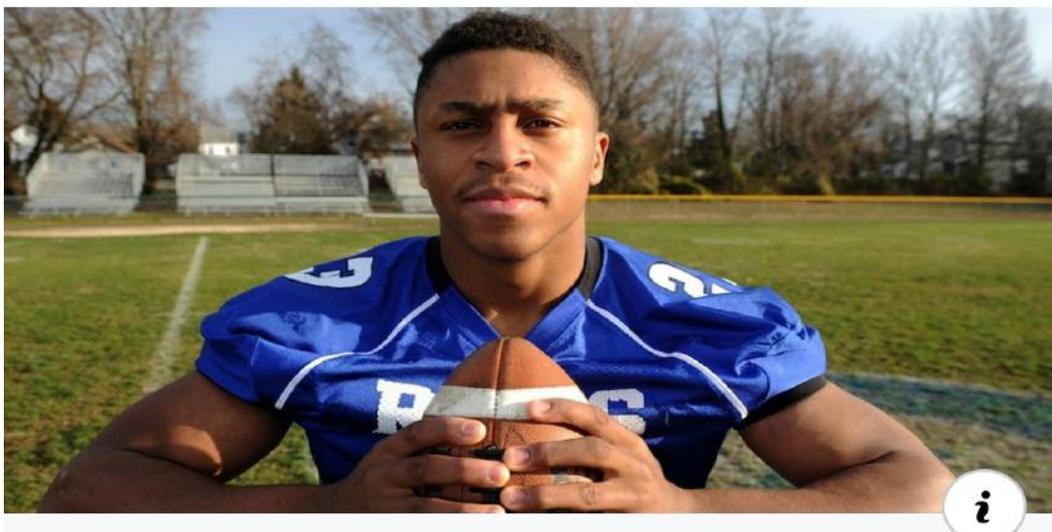
Carol Wright is our
Property Inspector
& Compliance
Officer.

Call her at 935-0372
x209 to report
suspected
violations.

2nd Quarter Property
tax Grace Period
has been extended
to June 1st

Increased water &
sewer rates take
effect July 1st

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Through education, hard work, perseverance, and good decision making anyone in this great city can achieve success.