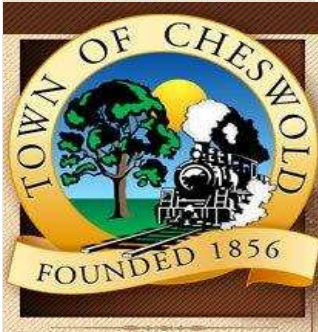


# CHESWOLD CHATTER



## “There’s a New CHIEF in Town”

At the March 4, 2013 Town Council Meeting, the new Police Chief, Christopher Workman was officially sworn into his position.

Chief Workman has previous Police Department and Fire Company experience after serving in positions from Journeyman Fighter to Acting Captain in the Chester City, PA, Fire Department.

His police experience comes from serving as a Patrol Officer in the Parkside Police Department for four years.

He expanded his Police career, knowledge and skills by serving the Elsmere, DE Police Department for 9 years and achieving the position of Lieutenant and Acting Chief.

After an extensive search of qualified candidates the Council decided that Chief Workman best fits the needs and projections for the future of Cheswold.

Currently, he commands a staff of one full time Officer – Corporal Louis Simms and one Part Time Officer – Corporal Chris White.

The Chief has many ideas for improving our Police Department and we request your patience and understanding as he works towards completing and making those ideas a reality.

Every quarter he will provide information for this newsletter and he will provide current and more update information on our new Town website. (See below).

If you would like to meet him, please feel free to come into Town Hall and introduce yourself.

“As I grow older, I pay less attention to what men say – I just watch what they do.”

**Andrew Carnegie**

## NEW TOWN WEBSITE

Effective, April 15, 2013, the Town will transition from its current website to a new location:

[cheswold.delaware.gov](http://cheswold.delaware.gov)

The new site is sponsored the State and Delaware and not only is it free, but it provides greater flexibility to the Town to provide information to you.

Please begin using it on the 15<sup>th</sup> and take advantage of the “Contact Us” feature to let us know what you think.

Call or drop off any birth, engagement, marriage or news you wish to share.

## 1st Quarter Town Council Meeting Dates

*Working Together We Can  
Make It Work*

### TOWN COUNCIL MONTHLY MEETINGS

Monday, **April 1**, 2013

Monday, **May 6**, 2013

Monday, **June 3**, 2013

All Town Council Monthly meetings start at 7:30 p.m

All Town Council Monthly meetings are held in the Cheswold Fire Hall



### TOWN COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETINGS

Tuesday, **April 16**, 2013

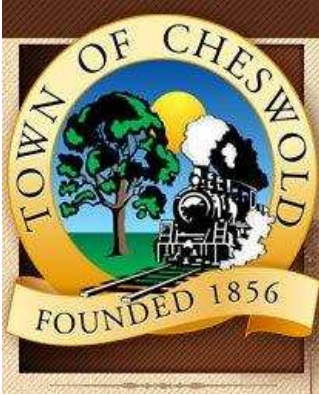
Tuesday, **May 21**, 2013

Tuesday, **June 18**, 2013

All Town Council Workshop meetings start at **6:00 pm**.

All Town Council Workshop Meetings are held in the Cheswold Town Hall.

# EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN



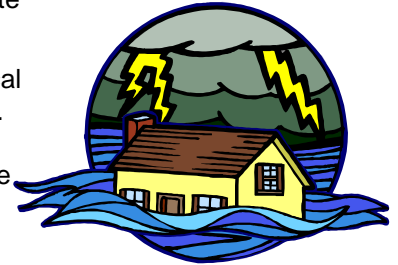
The Town of Cheswold, in cooperation with the Emergency Management Committee, Departments, Mayor and Town Council and other members of the community, endeavors to prevent/mitigate, prepare for, respond to, and recover from natural and man-made disasters which may threaten the lives, safety, or property of our citizens, business community and guests of the of Cheswold.

As part of this endeavor the Council, under the leadership and direction of Councilperson Sherry

Lambertson is currently involved in reviewing and finalizing an Emergency Operations Plan, (EOP), recommended by the State of Delaware.

The plan applies to all local officials and departments. The primary audience for the document includes the Council, the Mayor, the Police Department, the Volunteer Fire Company and others who may participate in our mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery efforts.

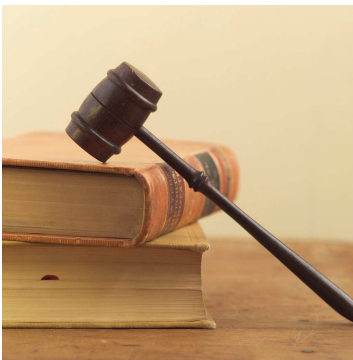
In other words – **YOU!**



Any disaster affecting the Town will ultimately affect you.

Anyone desiring to participate and learn more about the EOP can contact Town Hall for additional information.

## IGNORANCE OF THE LAW.....



We've all heard it said and we've all thought it unfair, but unfortunately, it's true:

### IGNORANCE OF THE LAW IS NO EXCUSE

And it doesn't matter if it's Federal, State, County or Town of Cheswold law.

If it's on the books, you can found responsible and accountable for following or violating it.

The laws of Cheswold are implemented via Ordinances, written by the Mayor and/or the Town Council and in some instances reviewed not only by them, but by the Town Attorney.

In addition, the Council conducts public hearings, usually during regularly scheduled monthly Council meetings, but advertised in the newspaper and in the

meeting agenda. The public hearing provides the opportunity for the Council to receive feedback from Town residents concerning the rules and regulations of the Ordinances.

Ultimately, the Council votes upon the Ordinance and it becomes the law of the Town. If fines or penalties are involved the Ordinances are also filed with the Police Department.

The Council is now engaged in constructing several new Ordinances that are designed to improve the quality of life, health and safety for all Cheswold residents, business/property owners and visitors. And there will be some who will be in agreement with the Ordinances and others will not. However, everyone has the opportunity to voice

their opinion and the Council encourages you to do so. But ultimately, the Council will make the decision that is in the best interest of the Town as a whole.

A comprehensive Public Nuisance Ordinance 02-07-12-037, has already been passed and anyone in Town may be affected by it. And currently, a Trash and Noise Ordinance are under construction.

All Town Ordinances are available for viewing on the Town website, cheswoldde.gov, including draft copies of future Ordinances, and those being considered for passage. For those without internet access, copies are provided free of charge to Town residents, and to business or property owners. Others may obtain copies for cost.

Remember, once the Ordinance is passed:

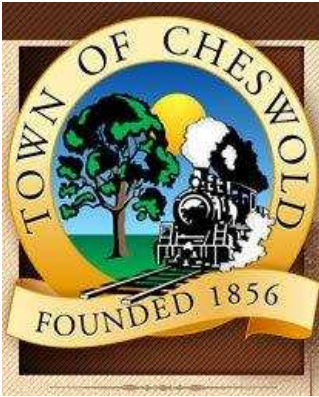
### IGNORANCE OF THE LAW IS NO EXCUSE.

*“A man can do only what a man can do.*

*But if he does that each day, he can sleep at night and do it again the next day.”*

*Albert Schweitzer*

# COUNCIL MEMBERS for 2013 – 2015 SWORN IN



The following persons were sworn in to serve on the Town Council from April 1, 2013 to March 31, 2015, at the Town Council meeting, held on Monday, April 1, 2013 in the Cheswold Fire Hall at 7:00 p.m. The swearing in ceremony was conducted by Mayor Donald F. Tinari.

**Mr. Justin Curley** – a new member to the Town Council. He was born in Cheswold and currently resides in Leyland Village. Mr. Curley has served in the U.S. Marine Corps for 4 years and serves on the Cheswold Volunteer Fire Company. In addition, he owns his own trucking company and stated at the swearing in ceremony, that he has always been interested in politics and looks forward to serving his home town.

**Ms. Sherry Lambertson** – was actually appointed to the Council by the Council, in January of 2013 to fill the seat of a Council member that had submitted a resignation. Ms. Lambertson resides in Old Town and is employed by the State Fire Marshall. She brings a wealth of administrative and fire knowledge and experience as well as State contacts to the Council and from the very start committed her service to the Town and Council. Currently she is in charge of implementing the Emergency Operations Plan for the Town and meshes her responsibilities to the State, and the Town with her family.

**Mr. Robert Sine** – is the longest serving member of the Town Council. He has served the Town for 8 years or more, Over that span of years he has served as a Councilperson, Secretary/Treasurer, Vice Mayor and Mayor. He returned to the Council late last year, after a Councilperson resigned and was immediately appointed to the position of Vice Mayor again. Recently retired from the U.S. Post Office, and residing in Fox Pointe,

Mr. Sine provides Charter expertise to the Council and the Mayor and Council expressed their need for his service by re-appointing him to the position of Vice Mayor for the next 2 years while sharing his time with us, is his wife and family.



## POLICE PAD

### “GREETINGS FROM NEW POLICE CHIEF”

Hello to everyone, I would like to take a moment to introduce myself...

My name is Christopher (Chris) Workman and I am the new Chief of Police for the Town’s Police Department. In a few short months I have tried to meet as many of you as possible and will continue to do so as the days go on.

With the weather becoming warmer, you will see me out and about in the car and on foot. Please stop me and say hello or just to chat a bit. My door is always open and I am here to help you and the Town.

For the summer, try and keep a few things in mind:

- Please be mindful of your neighbors and keep your radios low (There’s no

problem with listening to your radio while outside working on the yard, washing your car....just be mindful that the louder your music is can cause an inconvenience for your neighbors.)

- Please place all trash in a trash receptacle and have it removed from your property. It is illegal to keep trash and refuse on your property – it is a public nuisance and a health hazard.
- Excessive Noise is a violation of our Public Nuisance Ordinance and a separate Trash Ordinance will be coming effective soon.
- Traffic enforcement will be effective in the Fox Pointe, Parker’s Run and Stonington developments – Officer’s will be enforcing speeding and stop sign violations in these areas along with Reckless Driving and DUI.
- Parking Violations will also be

issued in Town for any commercial vehicles parked in residential areas. We will issue one warning after which a parking summons will be issued.

While we are not trying to cause a hardship for our residents by issuing ordinances and traffic violations these laws are there to protect you and your fellow citizens.

Again, I am very happy to be here and to serve as your new Chief of Police. I look forward to meeting everyone as soon as possible. Get involved; come to Town Council Meetings; come see me at the Police Department or stop me when you see me around.

**And always remember if you see something out of place, or a crime in progress:**

**Call 911**

***If you Don’t, Who Will!!!!***



**“Life is change.**

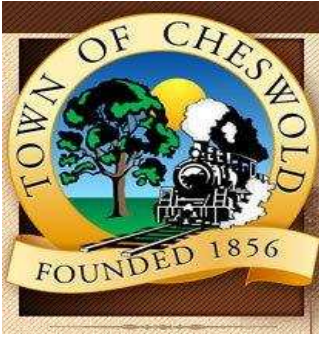
**Growth is optional.**

**Choose wisely.”**

*Karen Kaiser Clark*

# CHESWOLD HISTORY

## ***CHESWOLD TIGERS***



Cheswold is built on a strong Lenape Indian history. They are not only native to Cheswold, but Delaware and a great mass of the eastern seaboard.

And part of that culture, encompasses their history of playing baseball.

There are many stories that can be told about the culture and history and hopefully, we will be able to share a lot of it with you.



Pictures are from back row to the bottom.  
The Cheswold Tigers!

- <sup>1</sup> Allen Reed, <sup>2</sup> Earl "Lovey" Ridgeway, <sup>3</sup> James "Scutt" Carney, <sup>4</sup> James "Junior" Cok  
<sup>5</sup> Jackie Johnson, <sup>6</sup> Walter "Peter Rabbit" Reed, <sup>7</sup> Creed Morgan, <sup>8</sup> Walter Seeney,  
<sup>9</sup> Dawson "Daws" Pritchett, <sup>10</sup> Linwood "Woody" Johnson, <sup>11</sup> Calvin Carter,  
<sup>12</sup> Zachary "Zach" Carter (batboy), <sup>13</sup> Garland Carney, <sup>14</sup> Roland "Nig" Carney,  
<sup>15</sup> James "Carson" Johnson, <sup>16</sup> Calvin Durham.

But in the above picture you may be able to recognize a lot of local names that you've seen around Town. And hopefully one day, Cheswold will renew the pride in itself that this picture embodies.



## ANNOUNCING

**New ownership! Venice Pizza on Commerce Street is now Capitol One Pizza.**

**All the same delicious food will be served, 7 days a week from 10am-10pm.**

**Please stop by for a taste, or call for delivery or take out. 302-735-1700.**

**You won't be disappointed!**

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### **LEGISLATION**

*Donald Tinari – Mayor*

*Robert Sine – Vice Mayor*

*Sam Callender – Secretary/Treasurer*

*Justin Curley – Councilperson*

*Mildred Johnson – Councilperson*

*Sherry Lambertson – Councilperson*

### **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

*Christopher Workman – Chief*

*Louis Simms – Corporal*

*Christian White - Corporal*

### **ADMINISTRATION**

*Shadina Jones – Town Clerk*

*Robert Ridgeway – Mtce.Engineer*

*Richard Snyder – Code Enforcement*