



# Around the Well



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*“Georgia’s Greatest Little Town”*

## Social Circle Community News

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### Want to serve? Qualifying begins August 21



A General Election for Social Circle Mayor, District 2 and 4 City Council Member seats and District 1 and 4 City School Board Member seats will be held Nov. 7, 2023. Those wanting to qualify to run for office can do so from 8:30 a.m. Monday, Aug. 21, to 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 23, in the City Clerk’s office at City Hall, 166 N. Cherokee Road. To qualify, you must file a Notice of Candidacy and pay

a qualifying fee: \$306.00 for Mayor; \$216.00 for District 2 and 4 City Council seats; and \$18.00 for District 1 and 4 City School Board Member seats.

### Be Safe, Check Underground Gas Pipes

As your natural gas distributor, the City of Social Circle must make safety recommendations regarding underground natural gas piping. The City operates its gas system with an emphasis on safety. We are required to design, operate, and maintain our underground gas pipeline system in accordance with prescribed federal safety standards.

The gas department does not maintain the gas piping downstream of the gas meter. This is the responsibility of the customer who owns that piping. If the buried pipe is not properly maintained, it may be subject to corrosion - if the piping is metallic - or leakage. To ensure the continued safe and reliable operation of these lines, the buried piping should be checked periodically. You or the building owner should contact a licensed plumber or heating contractor to assist in locating and inspecting buried gas piping. If any unsafe condition is found, repairs must be made immediately.

For more information, visit [www.socialcirclega.gov](http://www.socialcirclega.gov) or call City Hall at 770-464-2380. Please disregard this notice if you do not have buried piping beyond the gas meter.

### Application deadlines for Planning

The deadline to submit applications for the Sept. 12 Historic Preservation Commission meeting is Aug. 11. The deadline to submit applications for the Sept. 26 Planning Commission meeting is Aug. 14. Contact Community Development Director Ashley Davis at [adavis@socialcirclega.gov](mailto:adavis@socialcirclega.gov).



### End summer on a high note

Bring friends and family to downtown Social Circle for an end-of-summer concert featuring the Swingin’ Medallions! The event will be held from 7:00-9:00 p.m. Saturday, August 12. Local restaurants will be open. For more information contact Downtown Director Amber McKibben at [amckibben@socialcirclega.gov](mailto:amckibben@socialcirclega.gov).



## Meetings for City Council, Municipal Court, Commissions, and Boards

Aug. 3 at noon and 6:30 p.m. Public Hearings for Property Taxes, City Community Room, 138 E. Hightower Trail  
 Aug. 3 (following public hearing at 6:30 p.m.) Mayor and City Council work session is in the City Community Room  
 Aug. 8 at 8:00 a.m. Mainstreet Commission meets in the City Community Room, 138 E. Hightower Trail  
 Aug. 8 at 6:00 p.m. Historic Preservation Commission meets in the City Community Room, 138 E. Hightower Trail  
 Aug. 10 at 9:00 a.m. Downtown Development Authority meets in the City Community Room, 138 E. Hightower Trail  
 Aug. 15 Public Hearing for Property Taxes will be held during Mayor and City Council work session, Community Room  
 Aug. 15 at 6:30 p.m. Mayor and City Council work session is in the City Community Room, 138 E. Hightower Trail  
 Aug. 16 at 1:00 p.m. Municipal Court held in the City Community Room, 138 E. Hightower Trail  
 Aug. 22 at 6:00 p.m. Planning Commission meets in the City Community Room, 138 E. Hightower Trail  
 Aug. 24 at 6:00 p.m. Tree Board meets in the City Community Room, 138 E. Hightower Trail

**REMINDER: City Hall will be closed on Labor Day, Monday, September 4, 2023**

### Call BEFORE You Dig



If you plan to dig around buried gas piping, first dial 811 or call the Georgia One Call Center at 800-282-7411 three (3) days before you or your contractor dig so that all buried cable may be located. This is a free service. Flags mark where cables are buried. Flag colors represent various types of buried lines. Red denotes electric

power lines, cable, conduit and lighting cables. Orange is for telecommunication, alarm, or signal lines, cable or conduit. Yellow represents natural gas, oil, steam, petroleum or other gaseous or flammable materials. Green means there are sewers and drain lines. Blue is for drinking water. Purple is for reclaimed water, irrigation, and slurry lines. Pink shows temporary survey markings and unknown facilities. White denotes proposed excavation limits or route.

### CITY LEADERS

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### We offer easy options to pay your utility bills



You can pay utility bills at City Hall's drive-thru Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m., online at socialcirclega.gov or by phone

at 1-877-840-5562. The night deposit is open 24/7. Please do not deposit cash. The last day to pay past due balances is Aug. 23. The cut-off date is Aug. 24. The due date for current balances is Aug. 30. Late fees will be added to bills on Aug. 31.

### W.H. Stanton Memorial Library on school time

Homeschool Hour Tuesdays at 11:00 a.m.

Fall Gardening - 4:00 p.m. Tuesdays 8/8 through 8/29

Quilting Club Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m.

Children's Music & Movements at 10:30 a.m. 8/3, 8/17

Tales for Tots at 10:30 a.m. 8/10, 8/24

Story Time - 10:30 a.m. 8/5

Dungeons & Dragons kids at 3:00 p.m. 8/6, 8/20

Kids Flashback Gaming - 3:00 p.m. 8/21

Book Club - 10:30 a.m. 8/24, 5:30 p.m. 8/31

Dungeons & Dragons teens at 2:00 p.m. 8/26

Family LEGO Afternoon - 4:00 p.m. 8/28

Children's Puppet Show & Story - 10:30 a.m. 8/31

