Haven’t you enjoyed the Movies under the Stars on Friday nights? Well guess what - you can look forward to more movies in July! Thank you to Andrew McMahon and the businesses that sponsor these movies. Bring your chair or a blanket and sit back and enjoy a family friendly movie right in the middle of Harlem.

We have an ice cream shop coming to Harlem in the Masonic Building. Welcome to Yoder’s Ice Cream! Our businesses just keep growing. Do not forget to stop and support our businesses.

A big “Thank you” to our fire department and our own Councilman John Thigpen! These men never hesitated to respond when a neighboring county needed their assistance fighting a massive fire, many staying on site all night and on into the next day to ensure the safety of those living around this plant. Thank you again. You make Harlem proud!

I must admit, we do have the prettiest little town in Georgia especially when our flags are waving in the wind along the streets. And what an inspiration as you ride around the traffic circle at “Punkin Center” - those flags look wonderful! As we celebrate our Nation’s birthday, may we always remember the opportunities we have because of those brave men and women who fought to keep all Americans free.

Just a reminder about fireworks - first and foremost, be careful. We do not want you or your property damaged by your excessive celebration. You are welcome to enjoy Independence Day by your own display of fireworks but please be courteous and abide by the noise ordinance which prohibits loud noises between 12 midnight and 7:00 a.m. There are some who suffer from PTSD and these noises are disturbing to them. Also remember most pets do not like the sound of fireworks. Secure your animals. Posting a picture of a lost or found pet on Facebook will help in reuniting the pet with their owner.

God Bless America and Happy Independence Day,
Roxanne Whitaker, your Mayor

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**DATES TO REMEMBER**

**July 2**  
Planning Commission Meeting at 6:00 p.m.

**July 4**  
City Offices Closed - Independence Day

**July 10**  
Urban Redevelopment Agency Meeting  
9:30 a.m. at City Hall

**July 15**  
Tax Hearing  
6:00 p.m.

**July 18**  
Tax Hearing & City Council Work Session  
7:00 p.m.

**July 22**  
Tax Hearing & City Council Regular Meeting  
7:00 p.m.

**July 25**  
Historic Preservation Commission Meeting  
6:30 p.m.

* Meetings are held at the Public Safety Building unless otherwise noted
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**2019 GENERAL ELECTION QUALIFYING**

The City of Harlem will hold a General Election on Tuesday, November 5, 2019 for the purpose of electing two Councilmembers for a four year term. Candidates in this election will take office on January 1, 2020.

The Qualifying dates will be Monday, August 19 through Wednesday, August 21 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at City Hall, located at 320 N. Louisville Street. The qualifying fee shall be $108.00.

No person shall be eligible to serve as Councilmember unless that person is at least 21 years of age and shall have been a resident within the city limits of Harlem for twelve months prior to the date of the election and shall continue to reside therein during their term and must be registered and qualified to vote in municipal elections for the city of Harlem, Georgia.

If you would like additional information, please call the Harlem City Clerk at (706) 556-3448.

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**Inert Debris Disposal**

It has been discovered that inert debris such as grass clippings, leaves, small limbs, etc. have been placed in bags inside of the household garbage containers (Meridian Waste). Inert debris should be placed nearest the curb for pick up only and **should not be placed in paper or plastic bags**. The Streets and Drains Department will pick up the debris by mechanical means or hand deliver to a truck. Thank you for your understanding!

Harlem Public Works

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**Yee Haw Vacation Bible School**

July 10 - 12  
5:30 - 8:00 p.m. nightly

Harlem United Methodist Church  
115 West Milledgeville Road  
Harlem, Georgia

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**Family Fun Day**

Impact Church invites you to Family Fun Day on July 13th from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. outside the Harlem Library. There will be free food, bounce houses, face painting, corn hole, door prizes, and much more! Everyone is welcome and admission is FREE! We hope to see you there. For more information email us at church@impactharlem.org.

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