

## Council Notes-August 29, 2012

For questions or information, contact Town Hall at 886-2177 or Council Members at [signalmountaintn.gov](http://signalmountaintn.gov).

- The Regional Planning Agency (RPA) on behalf of the area's Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) is developing a 2040 Regional Transportation Plan that sets priorities and transportation funding for the next 20+ years. This 2040 Plan will guide future transportation decisions for our region, which includes the town.
- Highway 127 up the mountain is in need of replacement and improvement. It is critical that it be included in the 2040 Plan. Therefore, it is important that Signal Mountain residents give input into this planning process. Residents are asked to complete the on-line survey at [www.chcrpa.org/2040RPT.htm](http://www.chcrpa.org/2040RPT.htm) to comment on the necessity of this project, and to attend future public meetings to step up and speak out on the importance of prioritizing and allocating the funding to replace and improve Hwy 127. Meetings and dates will be announced.
- At its August 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting, the Tree Board discussed its upcoming projects: the completion of a Town Landscape Policy; a native species tree sale; work days this fall and next spring with SMMHS students; a tree give-away in March in conjunction with Arbor Day; a class on tree care for public works employees; and several Honor Tree projects.
- Town Manager Honna Rogers represented the town recently at the 2040 Regional Transportation Plan Leadership Symposium where regional leaders met to explore future transportation goals including such topics as the importance of transportation in economic development.
- The Tennessee Department of Transportation has designated the entire month of October as walk-to-school month. Walk-to-School Day is October 3<sup>rd</sup>. For more information go to [walkbiketoschool.org](http://walkbiketoschool.org).
- Public Works Director Loretta Hopper has asked the council to thank those who have been putting cat litter in full or partially full paint cans for disposal at the Transfer Station.