

South Bethany Breeze

Spring/Summer 2024

A MESSAGE FROM MAYOR TIM SAXTON

After a nice fall and a mild, uneventful winter, spring is rapidly coming to South Bethany. The Town staff is currently preparing for the summer season, which will be upon us soon. The work may be seen throughout Town with new and existing landscaping beds being spruced up with new plantings. All of the beach crossovers have been outfitted with new trash bins. The beach and dunes will be spruced up and ready for the summer season.

In the past year, the Town Council established a long-term planning working group who was tasked with establishing a plan for future infrastructure needs of the Town. This is a vital project that maintains a vision for the infrastructure over the next 10 years and the long-term plan will remain a 'living' document for future Town Councils.

Financially, the Town remains in solid position with the potential of an FY 2024 surplus. Town Council will approve an FY 2024 balanced operational budget with no tax increase and a capital budget to meet the FY 2025 capital needs.

In writing my final article for the *Breeze*, I would like to thank the Property Owners of South Bethany for electing me to serve as Mayor for three terms. Over this period, I was fortunate to have worked with many Town Council members, many committee members and a great Town Manager, Police Chief and their staff. Without

all of their support we could have never accomplished what we did.

It has been an honor providing governance through the years and I am incredibly proud of the accomplishments that were made in such a short time. Some of the accomplishments are as follows:

- Hiring a new Police Chief, Jason Lovins, and the rebuilding of our Police Department
- Overseeing beach replenishment three out of the six years in office.
- Overseeing two successful contract negotiations with Sharp Energy for the central supply of propane gas, with minimal increases to the property owners for a total ten-year period.
- Negotiating the EMS Agreement on two occasions to continue emergency services support for the Town over an eight-year period.
- Improving pedestrian beach walkways by constructing wooden crossovers and adding mobi-mats where needed.
- Negotiated improved cable services with Mediacom and negotiated a contract with Comcast to build infrastructure in the Town for competitive cable services.
- Complete a small repurposing of the Police Department building.
- Complete a major remodeling of Town Hall by adding a lobby, improving the safety of Town Personnel, and adding an office for use by the Mayor and Town Council members. This project was accomplished through funding from the American Rescue Plan Act

(ARPA), Department of Homeland Security (DHS), and Sussex County, relying on minimal taxpayer funds.

- Continually improved the financial position of the Town and grew reserves to allow for replacement of capital equipment and infrastructure projects.
- Improved our ability to attain BRIC, FMA, and HMGP grants for large projects, which will be vital as South Bethany works on town-wide infrastructure projects for the future.
- Utilizing monies from the ARPA grant, we requested a resiliency study for the Town, and following a recommendation, established a Resiliency Committee who will address flood and stormwater mitigation.

The Town of South Bethany is a unique gem on the Delaware coast. It has a great Town staff, and the Town Council and committee volunteers dedicate valuable time to the Town to maintain its governance and natural beauty. As I exit my role as Mayor at the end of May, I leave the Town in solid financial shape with a plan and vision for the future.

It has been a privilege serving the Town of South Bethany as Mayor. Have a safe and enjoyable summer.

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TOWN ELECTION 2024



The Town Election will be held Saturday, May 11, 2024, at Town Hall from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Polls close at 3:00 pm SHARP.

WHO CAN VOTE? You can vote if you are a property owner or a resident, both defined as the following:

PROPERTY OWNER in the Town for a period of ninety (90) consecutive days immediately preceding the date of the Election. A property owner is a natural person who holds title of record or deed in his/her name; or listed as a trustee to a fee simple estate, or who holds a life estate to real property located in the Town.

RESIDENT of the Town means any natural person who has been physically residing within the Town corporate limits for at least thirty (30) days prior to any scheduled town Election and who maintains residency within the Town on the date of election.

QUALIFICATIONS - 18 years of age, citizen of the U.S., a property owner or a resident (as defined above).

TWO WAYS TO VOTE - ABSENTEE AND IN-PERSON

***ABSENTEE** (Two-Step Process) - 1) Starting April 19, pick up/

complete an affidavit and return to Town Hall; 2) Receive an Absentee Ballot and return to Town Hall before 3:00 pm on Election Day. A completed affidavit which requests that an Absentee Ballot be mailed to the voter must be received at Town Hall no later than four (4) days prior (May 7, 2024) to the day of the election. Town is not responsible for U.S. Postal Service delays if you return the ballot by mail. Any ballots received after 3:00 p.m. on Election Day will not be counted.

NOTE: Requests for affidavits can be by phone, email or mail. An affidavit form will also be available April 19 on the Election page of the Town website at southbethany.delaware.gov.

***VOTE IN PERSON** - Saturday, May 11 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.

AND THE CANDIDATES ARE.....

Mayoral (1) William "Tim" Shaw
Edith Dondero

Council (3) Randall Bartholomew
Robert Shields
Robert Biciocchi
Steven Gallagher
Robert Taishoff



RESILIENCY COMMITTEE

The Resiliency Committee was formed by the Town Council in 2023 after receiving a Resiliency Implementation Plan prepared for the Town by a local engineering firm. Established as a permanent, standing committee, its purpose is to assist the Town Council in evaluating risks to infrastructure and public and private property from the anticipated effects of coastal erosion, storms, flooding events, and sea level rise. While it is not possible to stop these events from occurring, the Committee will aid Council in seeking ways for the Town to become more resilient; that is, to recover more quickly from storm and flooding events and to mitigate their effects on property and infrastructure.

While there are multiple areas of Town that experience flooding after storm events or high tides, the area most frequently affected is York Road. Last fall the Town received a Hazard Mitigation Grant from FEMA that provides federal funding to commission a study of flooding issues at York Road and its

secondary streets. The study will assess the problem and its contributing factors, analyze potential mitigation measures, and recommend designs/specifications for infrastructure improvements to alleviate the flooding issues. The study will begin this month and be completed by the end of the calendar year. Once the final report is received, the Committee will work to identify potential funding sources for the proposed improvements so that implementation can begin next year.

The Committee has identified Cat Hill as the second priority area for flooding mitigation. Frequent flooding occurs in multiple locations on Tamarack, Cattail and Black Gum Drives, which can prohibit safe egress by residents to either Kent Avenue or Coastal Highway. Two grant applications were submitted in February seeking funding for a Flood Mitigation Study and Design for Cat Hill. The scope of work for the project, if funded, will be similar to that of York Road, though the Cat Hill area

is larger in size and the factors contributing to flooding are different than those at York Road. The announcement of grant awards is not expected until this fall; thus, if funded, work on this study will not begin until next winter.

While the York Road study is underway and we await the decision on the grants for Cat Hill, the Committee will shift its focus and identify other means by which the Town can increase its resiliency to the effects of flooding and sea level rise on both public and private properties. The Committee will recommend to the Council potential changes to the Town Code, for example, and research measures other coastal communities have taken that may be appropriate for implementation in South Bethany.

All meetings of the Resiliency Committee are open to the public and include on the agenda, an opportunity for public comment.

Make Safety a Top Priority this Summer

Summer is just around the corner. In effort to make it a great one for all, we would like to offer some reminders and tips about keeping your loved ones and visitors safe.

- 1) When walking along roadways, walk facing traffic and stay on the shoulder.
- 2) When cycling, always move with the flow of traffic, attach a flashing light to your bike to increase visibility, and use hand signals to communicate intentions.
- 3) Ensure children are wearing a properly fitted bike helmet when cycling.
- 4) Use the crosswalks, especially those with beacons, when crossing Coastal Highway. DO NOT CROSS until approaching vehicles in both lanes have stopped.
- 5) When driving, always stop for pedestrians in crosswalks and be especially cautious in parking lots.
- 6) Attach a life ring with lanyard and a ladder to your bulkhead in the event of a fall into the canal.
- 7) Do not leave children unattended on the beach or near the canals.

- 8) Always wear or carry a life vest when in a kayak, canoe, or standup paddleboard. Boaters are required to have one life vest for each passenger on board.
- 9) Obey all safety directions provided by our lifeguards. Don't allow children to dig holes deeper than 3 feet. Fill in all holes prior to departing the beach.
- 10) Be prepared to deal with undertows and riptides (swim parallel to the beach until out of the riptide). Use extreme caution in heavy surf.
- 11) Check that smoke and carbon monoxide detectors are in working order.
- 12) Display emergency contact information in your home if you will host guests or renters.

Know who to contact. In the event of an emergency, always call 911. To report a safety incident or a potential issue, call the South Bethany Police Department for assistance. For issues on the beach during daytime hours, notify a member of the beach patrol. They are responsible for public safety and take this job very seriously.

The South Bethany Long-Range Planning Group

So, who are these people and what are they doing?

Good questions. Here are some of the answers.

Last Fall, Mayor Saxton and the Town Council, determined that there are a growing number of infrastructure problems in the Town that need to be addressed. It was decided that a small group consisting of Council and Budget and Finance Committee (B&F) members would be able to identify the most pressing capital infrastructure projects that the Town faces now. This Group would be charged with forecasting the funding needs of these projects as well as other capital projects that we become aware of in the future. The Group consists of Mayor Saxton, Council members Randy Bartholomew and Chris Keefe and B&F members Rob Gensler and Steve Farrow.

The Long Range Planning Group is concentrating on basic improvements that have the greatest value for the Town's property owners, both their well-being and their tax dollars.

What is the problem?

Elevation. South Bethany, like the rest of Delaware, is only a few feet above sea level. Storms, heavy rainfall, high tides, and any number of other factors all impact water levels. Flooding has become one of the more serious problems in several areas of the Town.

What is the solution?

Since we cannot control Mother Nature, we are concentrating on defining critical infrastructure projects to mitigate these problems. We are allocating our reserves and finding other income streams, i.e. State and Federal grants, to fund both the studies that will give us game plans forward, and the actual projects.

What has happened since last Fall?

A great deal! Between the Town Manager and her staff, the Mayor, the Town Council, B&F Committee, Resiliency Committee, CWQ Committee, and the Long Range Planning Group, we have identified the projects shown in the chart below. We have also developed a financial plan for funding these projects/studies.

Please note this capital project plan on the next page is a DRAFT. It will always be a draft because no one can predict the future. We will be updating the Long Term capital projects often as we gain additional information. The order of the projects will likely change as we learn more from the Study/Plan recommendations. We encourage all of the property owners to join our meetings in person or via Zoom, ask questions, and give us their thoughts.

Chairwoman, Chris Keefe

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Capital/Infrastructure Projects	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	Notes
Right Of Way		Fall 2023 Phase 1	Fall 2024 Phase 2												Phase 1-Vegetation removal. Phase 2 - Hardscape alterations.
Code Rewrite/Review		Dec.	Spring 2024												18-24 mos., \$10,500.
GIS Information Services		Fall '23	Feb SOW rec'd												2 months, \$20,000.
Storm Water Management Phase 1 Inventory/Maintenance		Fall'23	Spring '24 - Oct '24												Complete by 4/2024
Storm Water Management Phase 2 Jetting/Valve repair															12 mos., request cost estimate.
Storm Water Management Phase 3 USACOE System Retrofit/Enhancement															USACE Section 219 funding. 75/25 US Congress must appropriate funds for project.
York Road Flood Mitigation Study and Design Project		Sep-23	Sept '24												FEMA \$87,500 total grant awarded. 2025 Completion
York Road Mitigation Plans Implemented															Mitigation
BRIC/FMA Grant for Flood Mitigation Plan Study- Cat Hill			Jan '24	Aug '25											2 FEMA/DEMA Grants submitted 02/23/24. Final product is a comprehensive plan and mitigation options for Cat Hill.
BRIC/FMA Cat Hill Project Mitigation Plans Implemented															Mitigation
Raising Roads															Action plan determined by results of other studies.
Raise Bulkheads															Action plan determined by results of other studies.
Dredging/ CWQ Planning															CWQ Committee reviewing several options.
Beach Replenishment Cost Sharing Study being done by DNREC			1/18/24 - 9/05/24												Economic Analysis for Shoreline Management Study being done by DNREC. Results scheduled for Fall 2024. May include cost-sharing recommendations for future beach replenishment work.
Land Purchase															Project under review. If / When appropriate property presents itself action may be taken.

Just the Facts

BALANCED BUDGET PRESENTED FOR 2025 WITHOUT RAISING PROPERTY TAXES

Councilman Randy Bartholomew, the Town's Treasurer, presented a \$3.47 million operating budget to the South Bethany Town Council and the public on March 22, 2024. This fiscal year 2025 budget provides a balanced approach to continue the services South Bethany residents and visitors expect. We will continue to fully fund public safety, cleaning of canals, and to ensure our community remains the "best little beach in Delaware." We're particularly thankful to the Town Staff and Budget & Finance Committee for their diligent work in preparing this budget.

A MESSAGE FROM THE BETHANY BEACH VOLUNTEER FIRE CO.

As you are aware, the Bethany Beach Volunteer Fire Company (BBVFC) ambulance subscription program no longer covers renters and guests of your residence. We stated that the ambulance subscription will only cover the owner and their immediate family. Collectively, the BBVFC, Towns of Bethany Beach and South Bethany, and the Sea Colony Recreation Association arrived at an agreed definition. BBVFC is adopting this definition for all subscribers and HOA's:

"Immediate family members of the titled owners include spouses, civil union partners and domestic partners, and the following of any of the foregoing: children (including sons-in-law and daughters-in-law), grandchildren, mother, father, mother-in-law, father-in-law, brother, sister, or brother-in-law or sister-in-law, nieces or nephews."

For commercial properties, the owners and their employees are considered "subscribers." Patrons of the business are considered guests and will be billed appropriately.

Any and all questions should be directed to EMS Chief Phil Brackin at email phil.brackin@bethanybeachfire.com.

CHANGE TO PARKING PERMIT BUYING LIMIT

Per **Ordinance 211-23**, amending Chapter 94 of the Town Code, Town Council voted 6-0 to amend the number of residential parking permits per property from a maximum of four (4) to a maximum of two (2).

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

Ordinance 211-23 Chapter 94, Parking, Chapter 94-6, Parking Permit System, & Chapter 94-7, Parking Permit Fees

Ordinance 212-23 Chapter 84, Licenses and Permits, Article I, Mercantile Licenses; & Chapter 145, Zoning, Article IX, C-1 Com-

mercial District RE: Prohibition of the Operation of Marijuana-Related Establishments Within the Town

Ordinance 213-23 Chapter 42, Building Construction, Enforcing Officer, Periods of Prohibited Construction & Penalties for Offenses Regarding Establishing Stop Work Order Protocols, Amending Hours of Construction, and Types of Violation Notice Correspondence

Resolution 6-23 Revision to South Bethany's Schedule of Fees

Ordinances & Resolutions can be viewed at
Town Hall or at
southbethany.delaware.gov/resolutions/

2024 FLOOD INSURANCE FORUM: FACT VS FICTION?

Delaware Sea Grant has partnered with USI Insurance Services, DEMA, DNREC, and the Delaware Manufactured Home Owners Association to address myths vs. facts about flood risks and insurance. Find out how our risks are evolving, what it means for property owners and the insurance market, and what you can do to stay safe. Speak directly to experts in the field.

WHEN?

Wednesday, April 3, 2024

TIME?

9:00 to 11:00 a.m.

WHERE?

In Person at the Lewes Public Library, 111 Adams Ave., Lewes or virtually, and registrants will receive a Zoom link prior to the event date.

Secure your spot!! Registration is required by Monday, April 1, 2024. Register at - <https://www.deseagrant.org/flood-forum>.

SOUTH BETHANY BEACH PATROL HIRING & TRYOUTS

The South Bethany Beach Patrol (SBBP) is currently hiring talented and responsible Lifeguards for the 2024 beach season.



For hiring & tryouts information, contact Beach Patrol Captain, Ryan Dacey at beachpatrol@southbethany.org. Upcoming tryouts are scheduled on April 27 and May 18.

KEEP THE QUIET RESORTS BEAUTIFUL! COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP DAY

Join the Bethany-Fenwick Chamber of Commerce and Delaware Center for the Inland Bays in celebrating Earth Day with a Coastal Community Clean Up. In partnership with Keep Delaware Beautiful, groups and individuals alike are invited to celebrate the week of Earth Day by adopting and cleaning a section of roadway throughout coastal Sussex County. The event is scheduled Saturday, April 20, from 8:00 am to noon. Visit <https://thequietresorts.com> and click on Community Clean Up for more information.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

Recycle carts – Recycle collection times change in May to every Friday for pickup. Many people are unaware of the proper storage and placement of their carts, so for simplicity here is the Town Code: 114-6A (5-7) [\(5\)](#) Trash containers and recycle carts not stored in a bin should be placed at curbside the day before pickup and removed after collection on pickup day. The property owner or occupant shall place recycling carts and all protective containers of solid waste at curbside, but not on the public right-of-way, in order that the recyclable materials and solid waste may be conveniently removed by the collector. [\(6\)](#) Except for pickup, the owner or occupant of any property shall not keep trash cans containers or recycle carts at curbside unless stored in a suitable bin. Bins for storage of waste containers larger than 55 gallons shall be open on one or two sides and should have no floor or a low floor to facilitate the re-

moval of containers. [\(7\)](#) Waste containers that are not stored in bins shall be kept at or under the house.

Mosquito prevention - Keep gutters clean of tree debris to promote proper roof drainage and help control mosquito breeding. Consider purchasing mosquito dunks to help cut back on the mosquito population. Here are two handy links for mosquito control products. <http://www.summitchemical.com/mosquito/mosquito-dunks/>

<http://www.arbico-organics.com/category/natural-mosquito-control-products>

Vegetation - Trim back trees to promote new vigorous growth. If you have trees that are next to the canals please trim branches back so that tree debris doesn't litter our canals.

[§ 104-12 Vegetation.](#)
[§ 125-2 Activities prohibited.](#)

When cutting your grass do not discharge clippings into the canal or street. Did you know that grass clipping contain phosphorus? One bushel of fresh grass clippings can contain enough phosphorus to produce 30 -50 pounds of algae in our canals. Why not consider bagging or mulching clippings instead. [§ 104-7 Duty to mow and trim.](#)

Please take the time to inspect you home for mold and mildew growth. This type of growth can lead to staining and damage to house siding. Consider having your home professionally power washed. [§ 104-17 Repair and maintenance of exterior structures.](#)

Questions? Contact Joe Hinks at 302-539-3653, extension 102.

CANAL WATER QUALITY COMMITTEE

Here's an update on the algae management process and a friendly reminder about ways you can help take care of our valuable canals!

The thin grass wrapping around props the past few years is called Widgeon grass. It shows up in the canals in the early spring and typically dies off in June. This grass is considered submerged aquatic vegetation (SAV) and is a highly valuable habitat, providing oxygen to the water and absorbing excess nutrients. Widgeon grass helps to keep the inland bays healthy.

Once again, the Center for Inland Bays (CIB) intends to harvest the grass seeds from the canals and plant in other water bodies to improve water quality. You can learn more about this SAV by going to CIB's website at <https://www.inlandbays.org/blog-widgeon-grass>.

Nutrients, Nutrients, Nutrients...

The cause of high levels of algae in the canals is due to the large amount of nutrients. Nutrients flow into the canals through run-

off from sources such as Coastal Highway and private properties. The most important thing you can do is reduce the amount of nutrients coming from your property and flowing into the canals. Here are some tips!

- Make sure nothing from your property drains directly into the canals. This includes downspouts and showers. If you have old pipes that come out through your bulkhead, cap them off.
- It's your responsibility to keep your bulkhead in good shape! Inspect your bulkhead and repair any damage. If the soil is sinking in your yard, it's likely due to bulkhead failure.
- Trim all vegetation that hangs over the canal. Anticipate the summer growth when you're trimming.
- Minimize, or avoid altogether, using fertilizers. The best time to fertilize is in the fall. If you must do it in the spring, try to keep is away from the canals.
- Don't use strong chemicals to kill weeds! Instead, use an effective, inexpensive, and safer weed killer you can mix at home.

Canal Friendly Weed Killer

If you need to kill weeds, here's a safer alternative that is eco-friendly and more desirable than damaging herbicides.

1/2 Gallon of 45% vinegar
1/2 Gallon of water
4 Tablespoons of table salt
2 Tablespoons of Blue Dawn dishwashing soap

Be sure to use 45% vinegar, not what you use for cooking! You can find it at Amazon, Walmart or other local stores. The estimate a gallon of this mixture will cost is about \$11.00, compared to almost \$15.00 for premixed Roundup.

We encourage you to get involved in helping to bring healthy life to the canals! Our committee meets typically the 3rd Monday of each month at 10:00 a.m. Stop by and meet us! Enjoy your summer.

Chris Vanuga, Chair
Bob Fisher, Community Outreach



TOWN HALL INFORMATION PAGE

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Meetings Only provides just that - Town Council and Committee meeting notifications. You will receive an email on each day that the notices are published. Each email will include a title, summary and link access.

TOWN HALL 302-539-3653

<u>STAFF</u>	<u>NAME</u>
Town Manager	Maureen Hartman
Finance Director/Tax Collector	Renee McDorman
Code Enforcement	Joe Hinks
Town Clerk	Matt Amerling
Admin Assistant	Brittany Hollis
Public Works Director	Jon Stiffler
Public Works	Greg DeMarco
	Jim Priano
Code Enforcement & Beach Patrol Captain	Ryan Dacey

POLICE DEPARTMENT 302-539-3996 (non-emergency)

Chief of Police	Jason Lovins
Corporal	Shaun Baldasano
Corporal	Ken Huff
Corporal	Matt Wilson
Corporal	Chris Miller
Police Officer	Matt Boyd
Police Officer/Public Information Officer	Cliff Ader
PD Admin Assistant	Coleen Meyer

TOWN COUNCIL

Mayor	Timothy Saxton
Mayor Pro Tem	William (Tim) Shaw
Treasurer	Randall Bartholomew
Secretary	Edith Dondero
Councilmember	Robert Biciocchi
Councilmember	Christine Keefe
Councilmember	Robert Shields

New to the Neighborhood? Stop by Town Hall to pick up a "Welcome Bag," which provides Town 'swag' and information.

The **South Bethany Property Owner's Association (SBPOA)** is not affiliated with the governance of the Town. All questions/comments/payments for SBPOA should be directed to the SBPOA President, Joe Mormando. For more information, visit their website at southbethanypoa.com.

TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

Meeting dates/times are subject to change; meetings can be attended in person or, when available, accessed via the virtual link provided on all agendas.

Town Council meetings are normally held the 2nd Fri at 9:00 AM, and Town Workshops, if necessary, are normally held the 4th Fri at 9:00 AM (unless otherwise noted).

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>MEETING</u>
April 12	9:00 AM	Town Council Regular Meeting
April 26	9:00 AM	Town Council Workshop
May 10	9:00 AM	Town Council Regular Meeting
May 11 (Saturday)	9:00 AM-3 PM	Town Election
May 20 (Monday)	9:00 AM	Town Council Organizational Meeting
May 27	TOWN HALL CLOSED (MEMORIAL DAY)	
June 14	9:00 AM	Town Council Regular Meeting
June 28	9:00 AM	Town Council Workshop
July 4	TOWN HALL CLOSED (INDEPENDENCE DAY)	
July 12	9:00 AM	Town Council Regular Meeting
July 26	9:00 AM	Town Council Workshop
Aug 9	9:00 AM	Town Council Regular Meeting
Aug 23	9:00 AM	Town Council Workshop
Sept 2	TOWN HALL CLOSED (LABOR DAY)	
Sept 13	9:00 AM	Town Council Regular Meeting
Sept 27	9:00 AM	Town Council Workshop
Oct 11	9:00 AM	Town Council Regular Meeting
Oct 25	9:00 AM	Town Council Workshop
Nov 8	9:00 AM	Town Council Regular Meeting
Nov 11	TOWN HALL CLOSED (VETERANS DAY)	

ADDITIONAL CONTACTS

State Police Non-Emergency	302-855-2980
DNREC (Boating complaints outside of Town limits)	800-523-3336

U.S. Coast Guard	800-424-8802
Republic Services (Trash, Recycling, Yard Waste)	800-762-8888

DE Solid Waste Authority (Landfill)	800-404-7080
Artesian (Water and broken pipes)	302-453-6930 *
Sharp Energy (Emergency)	302-856-6648
(Complaint)	302-539-7898

***Reminder: Property owners or concerned neighbors must call Artesian, not Town Hall, regarding broken water pipes.**