

# Mayor's Monthly July 2024

# **Town Council Member to be Appointed**

There is one open seat on the Town Council for the current term, expiring May 2025. According to the Town Charter, this vacancy is to be filled by appointment of the Town Council. Three residents have submitted letters of interest to formally apply for the position. The three candidates will be interviewed by the current Council members at the July 12<sup>th</sup> meeting. The meeting is open to the public in-person or via Zoom. Residents are encouraged to attend and will have an opportunity to offer comment. Council will vote on the appointment at their August meeting.

### **Kudos to the SBBP**

We already knew we have the best beach patrol on the coast, but now we officially have bragging rights. Last month the South Bethany Beach Patrol (SBBP) beat ten other squads in the annual, friendly-but-super-competitive Beach Patrol Ultimate frisbee tournament on Fenwick Island. Congrats to all and great job representing our Town!

# Monthly Coffee, Movie on the Beach, and July 4th Festivities

This month's Coffee and Conversation event will be held on **Friday**, **July 19**<sup>th</sup> **at 9am** at Town Hall; outside if good weather, inside if not. The featured guest will be Phil Brackin, Chief of EMS at the Bethany Beach Volunteer Fire Company. Come by to meet Phil, ask questions about the BBVFC, or to offer thanks for the fantastic service they provide.

The Community Relations Committee will host this year's Movie on the Beach, "Wonka," on July 30<sup>th</sup> at dusk, approximately 8:30-8:45pm, at S. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street. Bring a chair or a blanket and join in the fun! In the event of inclement weather, the movie will be postponed until the following evening.

There are several ways to celebrate Independence Day on July 4 <sup>th</sup>. Our neighbors to the north will be hosting the 40<sup>th</sup> Annual July 4 <sup>th</sup> Parade through downtown Bethany Beach at noon, and fireworks on the beach at dusk (approx. start time of 9 pm). If you do not want to leave town, head over to a canal end to view the Kent Stephan SBPOA Annual Boat Parade on the canals, beginning at 5 pm. However you choose to celebrate, have a great day!

# **Make it a Safe Summer**

Enjoy your summer, but make it a safe one for all by following simple safety practices.

- Anchor your beach umbrellas so they do not fly away and injure beachgoers.
- Always use the crosswalks when crossing Coastal Highway.
- Remind kids on bikes to wear helmets and use the correct hand signals.
- · Walk facing traffic and cycle with the flow of traffic.
- · Keep eyes on your kids at the beach and near the canals.
- · Wear life jackets when on the water in personal watercraft.

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