

# South Bethany Breeze

Fall/Winter 2024

## A Message from Mayor Edie Dondero

Just like that, another spectacular South Bethany summer has come and gone! This season we experienced a very busy Memorial Day weekend, saw the Assawoman Canal cleared and dredged by DNREC, hosted a movie on the beach and daily yoga classes, cheered on the SBPOA's annual boat parade, celebrated July 4<sup>th</sup> under sunny skies, and enjoyed clean, beautiful beaches and canals. On behalf of the Town Council, I express sincere thanks to the Town staff for working to ensure a terrific summer for our residents and visitors. Special mention goes to the Beach Patrol and the public works staff for diligently working to keep our beaches safe, clean, and enjoyable.

Summer may be ending, but it remains an exciting time in South Bethany. There are many projects either underway or in the planning stages. A cleanup effort of the Town Code is nearly complete that corrects some inconsistencies and makes it more user-friendly. Geographic Information System (GIS) technology is being developed for the Town that will help analyze, map, and manage data. The ongoing effort to clear the road rights-of-way (ROW) continues, as does maintenance on our stormwater management infrastructure. Consulting engineers are evaluating options for mitigating recurring flooding on York Road and will complete design plans by December. In addition, we await final approval of a \$195,000 grant from FEMA to fund a

Flood Mitigation Study for the Cat Hill portion of Town. We have momentum on all fronts and we're going to keep moving forward!

Our external auditors recently completed their audit of the Town's Fiscal Year 2024 financial statements and will present the results at the Town Council meeting in October. We are thrilled to have finished FY2024 on April 30<sup>th</sup> with a budget surplus which will feed the Town's reserves. With as much as \$14 million in capital project needs forecasted over the next ten years, the Council and Budget & Finance Committee are looking ahead and will be developing a plan to increase revenues to help meet our infrastructure needs.

With all that is happening in South Bethany, we encourage you to stay connected. Sign up for email communications and the Mayor's Monthly newsletter on our website, attend any Town Council meeting by Zoom, and follow [@SouthBethanyTownHall](#) on Instagram.

## A Note from the Resiliency Committee

Looking for ways to make your South Bethany property more resilient to flooding? DNREC has developed the Individual Adaptation Decision and Planning Tool, I-ADAPT, to help Delaware residents adapt to increased flooding. Users enter information about their property and the tool generates recommendations on how to lower their flood risk.

The web-based tool takes both physical property characteristics and personal preferences into account in order to recommend flooding adaptation strategies. After the user enters their structure's location, and answers questions about their property and personal preferences, the tool computes adaptation strategy recommendations for the individual's property.

The tool generates two lists of recommended strategies: strategies the user can implement on their property right now, and those the user may need to implement on their property to reduce their flood risk through 2050.

The recommended adaptation strategies are available on the final page of the tool. Users can also receive an email containing their personalized adaptation strategy recommendations. (Note that all information collected will only be used to identify the flooding adaptation strategies that are most ideal for your property. After you receive your results, **all your submitted responses are automatically deleted** from the system.)

You can find the link to I-ADAPT on the [Resiliency Committee page](#) of the Town's website.

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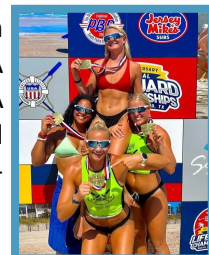
# SOUTH BETHANY BEACH PATROL



Another successful summer season for the South Bethany Beach Patrol.

Congratulations to our **Lifeguard of the Year, Meg Macauley** (pictured left). Meg was chosen by her peers because of her dedication and hard work. In her second season as a guard, Meg recorded more saves than any other member of the patrol. We thank Meg and all of our guards for providing beachgoers a safe season during this very busy season.

A special shout-out goes to the Sussex County Lifesaving Association (SCLA) winning their first title as national champions at the 2024 USLA Lifeguard National Championships held in South Padre, Texas. The SCLA is the first team to win a national championship outside of California and New Jersey! Next stop for the SCLA is the World Lifesaving Championships in Broadbeach, Australia. Good luck to everyone and great job!



## RIGHT-OF-WAY ENCROACHMENTS

As part of our continuing effort to review safety risks and concerns in the community, the Town will continue with **Phase I** of our yearly rights-of-way (ROW) inspections. These inspections entail reviewing safety and performing the appropriate maintenance at intersections and streets, including canal ends owned by the Town. If a privately owned canal end is encroaching the ROW, the property owner will be notified and asked to comply. This project entails removing or trimming back all vegetation in the ROW and/or at intersections.

Items such as overgrown vegetation and other ROW encroachments are detrimental to the safety of bicyclists, pedestrians, and motorists, as well as emergency and delivery vehicles. Vegetation includes, but is not limited to, bushes, flowers, vines, trees, ornamental grasses, or other plantings which infringe upon any of the streets, street ROW and beach access ROW.

Any property owner wishing to hire a professional arborist or landscaper at their own expense, may do so to remove vegetation or

other encroachments. If you choose to hire a professional arborist or landscaping company, please notify the Town Code Enforcement department of your decision so that your property is removed from the project scope of work.

**Phase 2 will begin this fall, 2024** – This phase will be supervised by the Code Enforcement Officer and entails inspection and review of any existing infringements of hardscape in the Town’s ROW. Please note that hardscape includes, but is not limited to, decorative above-ground gardens with pavers, decorative river stones, trash bins, driveway chains/ropes, irrigation systems, patios, fencing, etc.

Notifications to property owners in Phase 2 will take place as necessary after the inspection Phase. Property owners are encouraged to take proactive actions to remove any known hardscape infringements in the ROW at this time. If you are uncertain that you could be encroaching the ROW with hardscape, contact Code Enforcement Officer Joe Hinks to discuss.

This project is being conducted in accordance

with Town Code §125-2, Activities Prohibited, which states “No person shall obstruct any of the streets, street rights-of-way, beach access rights-of-way or waterways of the Town by placing thereon any barrier or impediment to the free flow of pedestrian, vehicular or boat traffic. Such barriers or impediments shall include but shall not be limited to boats, building materials, machinery, trash containers, landscaping timbers and pilings, or vegetation...”

What can you do to help? Start moving your trash bins and driveway chains/ropes out of the ROW!

As always, we appreciate your cooperation and we look forward to providing

clear and SAFE passages for our community and all who visit and travel through the Town of South Bethany.



### OFFICE HOURS FOR BUILDING/CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

**Building/Code Enforcement Department meetings with Joe Hinks is by appointment only. Anyone wishing to meet with Joe can request an appointment by calling him at 302-539-3653, ext. 102, or by emailing him at [inspector@southbethany.org](mailto:inspector@southbethany.org).**

**Office hours are as follows:**

- Tuesday & Thursday - Morning appointments from 8:00 to 11:30 AM**
- Wednesday - Afternoon appointments from 12:30 to 3:00 PM**
- Monday & Friday - Site Visits and Field Inspections**



## **Canal Water Quality Committee (CWQC) Update**

*by Bob Biciocchi & Chris Vanuga*

At the August 9th Town Council meeting, the CWQC made a presentation to Council on the state of our canals (<https://southbethany.delaware.gov/files/2024/08/CWQC-Community-update-FY-2025-Final.pdf>). An important update was made to the Committee's purpose, elevating the need for a more active management of our canal network to address growing environmental and structural challenges.

The presentation, led by Chairman Chris Vanuga and supported by Bob Biciocchi, Councilman and CWQC Liaison, made it clear that our canals are a vital part of our Town but they will require increasing attention, an opinion shared by notable engineering firms. The canal network's original structural design severely limits tidal flow, and this problem is further compounded by our canals' role in managing storm-

water from Route 1 and surrounding areas. The result is poor water quality which contributes to algae build up and blooms, as well as reduced marine life due to low dissolved oxygen (DO) levels, along with the silt shallowing limiting navigability.

Many residents have noticed the benefits of more regular canal maintenance procedures but they are increasing in annual budgetary costs. The Committee is assisting the Council in researching advanced engineered solutions that can address some of the root causes of our design deficiencies and also integrate with other Town resiliency efforts. As a community, we must ensure our beloved waterways' long-term viability, contribution to property values, and to our Town's unique brand.

Our next actions are to continue to support discussion with Council on engaging engineering resources that can recommend the most effective measures for the best value in coordination with the Town's Capital Needs Projection initiative.

## **Community Relations Committee Update**

*By Chairwoman Lisi Biciocchi*

The Community Relations Committee hosted a welcome celebration for the South Bethany Beach Patrol on May 24th and the Movie on the Beach "Wonka" on July 31st.

The CRC also hosted successful Coffee and Conversation outdoor tailgates in front of Town Hall featuring Maureen Hartman and Councilwoman Chris Keefe in June, Bethany Beach EMS Chief Phil Brackin in July and Mayor Edie Dondero inside Town Hall in August. The Coffee and Conversations take place every third Friday at South Bethany Town Hall (unless otherwise noted). These coffee events are an opportunity to stop in, listen or share comments in an informal setting with neighbors. The fall coffee events will feature Code Enforcement Officer Joe Hinks, a speaker from the South Coastal Village Volunteers, and Canal Water Quality Committee Liaison Bob Biciocchi with a speaker from the Center for Inland Bays. The winter coffee events will feature the Mayor, Chief Lovins and other council members as well as speakers/topics relevant to the community.

The third annual Holiday Tree Lighting hosted by the Community Relations Committee will take place on Saturday, December 7, 2024. Join us for live music, snacks and good cheer beginning at 5 p.m. We will once again be accepting donations at the event to benefit a local food pantry. More details about acceptable donations will be announced closer to the date.

## **A Reminder from the Bethany Beach Volunteer Fire Company**

Delaware Code, Title 16, Chapter 66, Section 6631 requires the installation of smoke detectors on EACH level of ALL one and two family dwellings, mobile homes, modular homes and townhomes.

It is the responsibility of the PROPERTY OWNER to install smoke detectors in rented or leased living units. For long-term rentals, the tenant is responsible to maintain the battery in the smoke detector, but the property owner must provide/install them. Residential occupancies constructed prior to July 8, 1993, are required to have individual, single station, battery powered smoke detectors. Residential occupancies constructed after July 8, 1993, are required to have 'hard-wired' smoke detectors.

Being awakened by a smoke detector can be disorienting. How your family responds in a fire depends on how well you have prepared everyone. Make sure everyone knows the sound of the detector's alarm and how to respond. Plan escape routes in advance and include at least two ways out of each room, especially bedrooms. Decide on a safe location outside your home and instruct all residents to meet there in the event of fire. NEVER go back into the building. Have someone call 9-1-1 to provide the location of the fire. It's a good idea to practice your escape plan at least twice a year.

If you have any questions, or are in need of a free smoke alarm, contact the State Fire Marshal's Office in Sussex County at (302) 856-5298 OR the Bethany Beach Volunteer Fire Company has free 10-year (battery only) smoke detectors. Contact them at (302) 539-7700.

## SBPD Seeking Accreditation

by Chief Jason Lovins

As the 2024 summer is starting to wind down, the members of the South Bethany Police Department (SBPD) are still staying busy.

The SBPD is going through the process of becoming an accredited law enforcement agency. This process will ensure our police department is operating in compliance with Federal, State, and local laws and best practices. We are on track to have our first assessment in early 2025. New State legislation dictates any Delaware law enforcement agency receiving any State or Federal grant funding must be accredited by 2027.

The mission of the Delaware Police Accreditation Commission (DPAC), is to advance law enforcement professionalism through the establishment of professional standards and the administration of a formal mechanism by which Delaware agencies can be systematically measured, evaluated, and updated.

Along with the Police Officers Standards and Training (POST), DPAC will assign assessors to visit and inspect our police department, its equipment, and its officers. Our policies will be reviewed to ensure they meet all criteria set forth in the accreditation program and we will have to provide written and physical proof that we are committed to adhering to these policies and this program.

What are a few of the Benefits?

- Improves officer and public safety
- Addresses high-risk management issues
- Promotes operational efficiency through policy development
- Verifies compliance
- Promotes accountability
- Increases public confidence

Accreditation is an in-depth process that will cover every aspect of the day-to-day operations of the police department. We still have a few hurdles to jump, but it remains a team effort to reaching our goal of becoming fully accredited by next year!

Our door is always open! Stop by and visit us! Have a safe fall and winter.

## COFFEE AND CONVERSATION



This event has surely become a hit in South Bethany!

Summer Coffee and Conversation 'tailgating' was a favorite for locals and visitors and our wide array of 'guests' opened up a variety of discussion topics! The Coffee events are a time for our property owners (and visitors) to have an informal conversation with a council member or guest as well as enjoy a cup or two of coffee. Tune in to see who will be next by subscribing to the South Bethany News Updates.

### Community Meeting: Economic Analysis for Shoreline Management

Information on the economic study regarding beach replenishment cost sharing will be provided to the public at a virtual community meeting on Thursday Sept. 26, 2024, at 6:00 pm. A simple registration is required to attend, which can be found on the event webpage here: <https://dnrec.delaware.gov/events/community-meeting-economic-analysis-for-shoreline-management/>.

### Town Website

As a reminder, the Town website is always filled with information for property owners and visitors.

We occasionally receive questions about a multitude of items such as wild animals, offshore wind, emergency & hurricane information, Town history, and online payments. Need to find new or updated information on an event or newsworthy item? Want to catch up on the Monthly Mayor's Report? Check out **News & Notices** or **Meetings & Events** on the main page!

This fall, the Town website will undergo some much needed updates! A new tab, Offshore Wind, was recently added in 2024. All tabs are located at the top of the page. Just want to see beautiful pics of the Town and beach? We have the best on our website! Check us out!

<https://southbethany.delaware.gov>

## KEEP UP WITH UPCOMING EVENTS AND MEETINGS....SUBSCRIBE!

Go to [southbethany.delaware.gov](https://southbethany.delaware.gov), under the dropdown menu "Connect," click on "Meeting Email Notifications Sign-Up."

**News Updates** provides email blasts regarding emergency weather notifications, Town election, events and activities, trash schedule and other various town-related information.

**Meetings Only** provides only the meetings you choose. You will receive an email the week when said chosen meetings are being held, with link access to agendas published.

### ARE YOU PREPARED FOR SNOW?

The Farmer's Almanac has been 'shoveling out' some daunting news for winter! As a reminder, when and if snow rolls into Delaware and plowing Town-owned roads becomes necessary, the Town cannot assist with shoveling private walkways or plowing private driveways. Please make arrangements with a snow removal contractor. Look in the local newspapers or online for advertisers prior to snow season. If a major snowstorm/Nor'easter is approaching, the Town will notify residents via an email news update (if you've provided us with your email address), Instagram, or the Police Department's Facebook page.



# Just the Facts

## 2024 COASTAL CLEANUP

The 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Delaware Coastal Cleanup is looking for volunteers to help keep the state's beaches and waterways free of trash. Join the cleanup on Saturday, September 14 (rain date Sept 21) or take part in a month-long, statewide cleanup campaign. The one day cleanup event will be held from 9:00 AM to noon. Volunteers can register for cleanup sites by visiting <https://dnrec.delaware.gov/coastal-cleanup>. Help keep our beaches clean and litter free!

## A FRIENDLY REMINDER IF YOU RENT

If you have rented your property, you must pay rental tax. The rental tax is 8% of your gross rental income and is due by October 31, 2024. The Town mailed out rental tax forms in early September to all the properties who paid their Application for Rental License Declaration.

## REMINDER: CONTACT ARTESIAN FOR WATER EMERGENCIES

Our yearly reminder to property owners.....the Public Works Department is not permitted to enter on, or in, properties to turn off or repair broken water pipes. Property owners, or concerned neighbors who notice a broken pipe, must call Artesian at **302-453-6930**. Please be prepared to provide the street address of the property to Artesian's customer service.

## ANNUAL HOLIDAY TREE LIGHTING

Mark your calendars for Saturday, December 7, when the Community Relations Committee will host the third annual Holiday Tree Lighting at Town Hall. Join us for live music, snacks, and good cheer. Time to be determined. We will once again be accepting donations at the event to benefit a local food pantry. More details about acceptable donations and start time will be shared as the date draws closer.

## IMPORTANT POLICE REMINDERS

While it is widely known that the Town is very pet-friendly, it's important to remember that all dogs must be leashed in the Town's corporate limits. Anyone walking their dogs off-leash could be cited by the Police. **Reminder! Dogs are not permitted on the beach at any time from May 15 through October 15, and still must be leashed when they are permitted!**

Dog bag stations and waste containers are located throughout Town, and owners are responsible for the removal of dog waste. Please keep our Town clean & safe!

## STOP SIGNS

As a reminder to everyone living in, driving through, or visiting our Town.....you must stop at stop signs! We've had numerous

complaints to our Police Department and Town Hall that stop signs have mysteriously turned into yield signs! Don't make the mistake of gliding through a stop sign or it could cost you!

## SUMMER 2024 COMES TO AN END

BIG THANKS to Murray Oltman Yoga (Murray), ECE Yoga (Monica), and Jay's Vending, for providing a healthy and fun-filled summer on the beach!

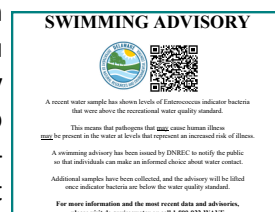
## FALL BONFIRE ON THE BEACH

Fall is a great time to catch up with neighbors, meet new friends, watch the sun set and rise, and toast marshmallows on the beach! Stop by our **Bonfire on the Beach** scheduled for **Friday, October 4** from 7 PM to 8:30 PM off the South 3rd Street walkway (rain date October 5). This fun event is sponsored by the Community Relations Committee. Bring a blanket or chair and we'll supply the marshmallows, sticks and the bonfire!

## DNREC BEACH ADVISORIES

At the beginning of the summer, the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) placed a 24-hour swimming advisory on the beach. DNREC tests recreational waters to determine levels of Enterococci bacteria against a set of standards in order to meet the requirements of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's 2012 Recreational Water Quality Criteria. Bacteriological water quality can be affected by a number of factors, including human and natural factors. And, in South Bethany's case, less than 24-hours later, the advisory was lifted. If an advisory is placed on the beach, you will see signs at each beach walkway and an email blast will be sent out to everyone who has signed-up for information from the Town. Additionally, it will be posted on the website so check under "Beach Advisories" for updates.

<https://southbethany.delaware.gov/general-information/>



Be prepared for bad weather. Visit [PrepareDE.org](https://PrepareDE.org)!



## STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

When it rains or snows, oil, antifreeze, detergents, pesticides and other pollutants wash from driveways, yards, parking lots, streets, farm fields, and construction sites into swales and storm drains and then directly into streams, rivers, bays, canals, and all water bodies.

**Pesticides/Fertilizers** - Per acre, homes use more pesticides than farms. Contrary to popular belief, rain does not help "soak in" the chemicals, but rather washes them away down a storm drain.



Once these chemicals are introduced into lakes and streams, they promote the growth of algae that kills fish.



**Pet Waste** - If you already aren't aware, pet waste left on the ground gets carried away by stormwater which contributes to harmful nutrients, bacteria, parasites and viruses to our water bodies. CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR PET and never dispose of it down the storm drain!

**Vehicle fluids** such as oil, gas, and antifreeze are a major water quality problem nationwide. A single quart of used motor oil can contaminate a quarter of a million



gallons of fresh water! Recycle used oil and NEVER dump it into a storm drain! Call the Delaware Solid Waste Authority at 800.404.7080 or go to [www.dswa.com](http://www.dswa.com) for a complete list of drop off locations in our area.

**Washing your vehicle** on pavement allows dirt, oils and detergents to run into storm drains. Use commercial car washes, which treat or recycle water, or wash your vehicle on grassed areas so that runoff can soak into the ground.



**Yard Waste** - Grass clippings, tree trimmings, and leaves can clog storm drains causing pooling water and creating dangerous driving conditions. Grass clippings also add excess nutrients to water bodies, leading to algae blooms and fish kills. Sweep your debris into a proper receptacle and not into a storm drain. Compost yard and garden wastes to provide rich additives for your gardens!

**Litter and debris** can clog storm drains and be carried directly into a nearby water body. Keep trash in your car until it can be properly disposed. Keep trash



cans covered and pick up street litter when you see it. This isn't so hard, is it?

**Cigarette butts** (yuck) make up a very large portion of the litter and trash on our streets and highways. Butts wash into storm drains and water bodies where they pollute water and poison wildlife...not to mention they can ignite fires in dry brush and mulch!



Always use **household chemicals** such as cleaners, paints, and pesticides, according to the label directions and dispose of them properly. Never dump or wash leftover products into storm drains!



Reduce your use of toxic or harmful chemicals around the home and choose organic or biodegradable products when possible.

**REMEMBER...**  
**ONLY RAIN GOES DOWN THE DRAIN!**



## Kudos

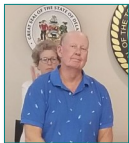
**Congratulations** to former Councilman Derek Abbott, who was presented with Resolution 5-24, recognizing his service to the Town.



**Welcome** Cindy Van Horn to Town Council. Cindy was appointed to fill the vacant term held by Mayor Dondero.



**Thank you** former Mayor Tim Saxton who was presented with Resolution 6-24 recognizing his six years in public service as Mayor.



**Congrats** Corporal Shaun Baldasano who was presented with Resolution 4-24 recognizing his service to our country and for being awarded South Bethany's Officer of the year.



## SAFETY CORNER

by Councilman Bob Shields

As we approach the end of summer, please thank our beach patrol and police who have kept us safe in recent months. It has been a busy season, and both departments have performed superbly by making our highways safe, maintaining order at the beach and saving numerous beachgoers from dangerous riptides.

**Post Labor Day Beach Safety:** Remember beaches will be unguarded so we must ensure that residents and visitors avoid heavy surf and riptides. Also, don't dig deep holes on the beach, as they can become dangerous.

**Highway and Pedestrian Safety: Pedestrians,** give special attention to crosswalks at Coastal Highway and make sure they are clear before crossing. **Motorists:** you must stop anytime a pedestrian is in the crosswalk on your side of the highway. You also must stop if the car in an adjacent lane stops even if no

one is crossing. **Cyclists:** always ride with traffic and obey traffic lights.

**Boating and Water Safety:** proceed slowly through the canals - they are a no wake zone. Remember, boating and alcohol do not mix! Canals can be dangerous to small children. Never allow unattended children to play by the water and make sure there is a life preserver (with lanyard) handy to assist someone who has fallen into the water.

### Be Safe this School Year

#### DeIDOT's tips for drivers:

- Slow down in school zones
- Be alert, especially during school hours
- Stop for school buses (know state school bus laws)
- Eyes up, phone down
- Be cautious when backing out of driveways and driving through neighborhoods

#### DeIDOT's tips for pedestrians:

- Look both ways in all directions before crossing the street
- Never assume a motorist sees you. Always wait for vehicles to come to a complete stop before crossing the street
- Stay on task at the bus stop. Avoid distractions



# TOWN HALL INFORMATION PAGE



Town Hall is opened 7:30 am - 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday  
Closed holidays & weekends

## TOWN HALL 302-539-3653

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

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

Chief of Police	Jason Lovins
Corporal	Shaun Baldasano
Corporal	Chris Miller
Corporal	Ken Huff
Police Officer/PIO	Matt Boyd
PD Admin Assistant	Coleen Meyer
Parking Enforcement	Dee Ramsay

## TOWN COUNCIL

Mayor	Edith Dondero
Councilmembers:	
Mayor Pro Tem	Christine Keefe
Treasurer	Randall Bartholomew
Secretary	Robert Biciocchi
Councilmember	William (Tim) Shaw
Councilmember	Robert Shields
Councilmember	Cindy Van Horn

## TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS 2024/2025

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

**Town Council meetings are normally held the 2nd Fri at 9:00 am.**

**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>
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)	
Nov 28-29	TOWN HALL CLOSED (Thanksgiving)	
Dec 13	9:00 AM	Town Council Regular Meeting
Dec 24-25	TOWN HALL CLOSED (Christmas)	
January	TBD	TBD
Jan 1	TOWN HALL CLOSED (New Year's Day)	
Jan 20	TOWN HALL CLOSED (Martin Luther King)	
Feb 14	9:00 AM	Town Council Regular Meeting
Feb 17	TOWN HALL CLOSED (President's Day)	
Feb 28	9:00 AM	Town Council Workshop
March 14	9:00 AM	Town Council Regular Meeting
March 28	9:00 AM	Town Council Workshop
April 11	9:00 AM	Town Council Regular Meeting
April 18	TOWN HALL CLOSED (Good Friday)	
April 25	9:00 AM	Town Council Workshop
May 9	9:00 AM	Town Council Regular Meeting
May 10 (Saturday)	9 AM to 3 PM	Town Election
May 19 (Monday)	9:00 AM	Organizational Meeting

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

Questions? Call Town Hall at (302) 539-3653, extension 101.

**NOTE:** The **South Bethany Property Owner's Association (SBPOA)** is not affiliated with the Town. All questions/comments for SBPOA should be directed to the SBPOA President. For more information, visit southbethanypoa.com.

## ADDITIONAL CONTACTS

<b>State Police Non-Emergency</b>	302-855-2980
<b>DNREC</b> (Boating complaints outside of Town limits)	800-523-3336
<b>U.S. Coast Guard</b>	800-424-8802
<b>Republic Services</b> (Trash, Recycling, Yard Waste)	800-762-8888
<b>DE Solid Waste Authority</b> (Landfill)	800-404-7080
<b>Artesian</b> (Water and broken pipes)	302-453-6930 *
<b>Sharp Energy</b> (Emergency)	302-856-6648
(Complaint)	302-539-7898

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