

# Mayor's Monthly January 2025

#### **NEWS & INFO**

## **Avian Flu Alert**

Avian influenza has been detected in wild bird populations in eastern Sussex County. While the public health risk to humans is low, you should refrain from touching or handling sick or dead birds. It is also advised, as a precaution, to ensure all poultry and eggs are cooked to an internal temperature of at least 165 degrees. Anyone who encounters sick or dead wild birds should report them immediately by calling DNREC Wildlife Section at 302-739-9912 (Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.). For more information, read the press release here.

# **Stormwater Maintenance**

Maintaining the Town's stormwater infrastructure is an ongoing effort by our public works staff. This fall, several drainage pipes were cleared by hydro jetting including those on the following streets: Layton, Tamarack Court, Cattail, Brandywine, New Castle and Bristol. Two drainage pipes have been identified for repair and/or replacement, located on South Anchorage and Black Gum Drive. To ensure proper drainage, please be sure to keep any stormwater drain on or near your property clear of any obstructions and report any issues to the Town Manager.

## **Snow and Ice Removal**

A reminder that Town staff is not permitted to assist property owners by clearing their driveways, walkways or vehicles. It is the sole responsibility of property owners to hire a snow removal service for their property. It is also unlawful for any property owner to shovel snow from their property into the street. Please be a good citizen and neighbor and refrain from doing so.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

# **Holiday Tree Pick-Up**

Trees will be picked up on January 16 <sup>th</sup>. Please ensure they are free of any decoration and lights.

# **Town Hall Holiday Closed**

Offices will be closed on Monday, January 20  $^{\rm th}$  in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

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