

# Mayor's Monthly December 2025

#### **NEWS & INFO**

### **York Road Flood Mitigation Project Update**

While the York Road project was scheduled to begin this week (Dec. 1), work is delayed again due to the weather forecast. We are hoping the project can proceed in the next couple of weeks. If the weather does not cooperate, the work will be delayed until spring. The project will take place on the stretch of York between Carlisle and Plymouth Drives and should not last longer than one week. One lane of the roadway will remain open throughout the project and flaggers will be present to direct vehicles. The project entails raising the surface of this stretch of York Road by six inches and resurfacing with porous pavement. We appreciate your patience and cooperation as we work through this effort.

#### **Beach Access to be Restored This Month**

The Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) will soon begin repairing the dune crossovers to restore access to the beach. Sand fencing along the toe of the dunes will be replaced later this winter. There is no beach replenishment scheduled for 2026.

#### Congratulations to the SBPD!

In October, the Delaware Police Accreditation Commission (DPAC) officially approved South Bethany Police Department as an accredited police agency. Achieving accreditation status required the department to ensure compliance with more than 100 standards that ensure best practices for its operations, procedures, and facilities.

House Bill 206, enacted in 2023, mandates that all police agencies in Delaware must be accredited by 2028. Administered by the DPAC section of the Department of Safety and Homeland Security, accreditation improves officer and public safety; promotes accountability; minimizes an agency's exposure to liability; enhances the reputation of the agency, thereby attracting the best qualified candidates for employment; and increases public confidence.

## Warmest of Wishes to You and Yours!

On behalf of the staff and Town Council, I wish you and yours a joyous, peaceful holiday season.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

## **Holiday Tree Lighting**

The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday Tree Lighting hosted by the Community Relations Committee will be held on Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at 5 p.m., outside Town Hall. Celebrate community and the joys of the season with friends and neighbors!

## **Town Hall Holiday Closures**

Offices will be closed on December 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> for the Christmas holiday, as well as January 1<sup>st</sup> for New Year's Day.

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