



## *Mayor's Monthly*

**April 2026**

### **NEWS & INFO**

#### **Annual Operating Budget Status**

The Council will vote to adopt the Fiscal Year 2027 (May 1, 2026-April 30, 2027) operating budget at their April 10<sup>th</sup> meeting. The balanced budget proposed does not necessitate any increase in property tax or rental tax rates. Fees for resident parking passes remain the same but the price of daily parking passes for visitors purchased at the kiosk will increase to \$30. Council will also adopt a capital budget that includes necessary replacements for existing vehicles and equipment as well as an additional truck and storage shed for public works. Funds will also be allocated to projects that intend to mitigate flooding and improve canal water quality and navigability.

#### **Seasonal Property Maintenance**

Please remember that some property maintenance activities, including roof or deck replacement, require a permit from the Town. Check with Code Enforcement before any contractor begins work to ensure you are complying with Town regulations.

#### **Landscaping Reminder**

When landscaping your property, please do not cover, block, or impede the flow of water into any storm drains with plantings, hardscaping, or trash corrals. Over the last several years, the Town has invested considerable time and expense improving stormwater management to alleviate property and roadway flooding. Help us maintain this effort by keeping drains unobstructed. Also, please consider alternatives to bark mulch which can wash into and clog storm drains, or wash into the canals and impact water quality.

#### **Response from Delmarva Power**

A representative from Delmarva Power responded to my letter to the editor expressing concerns over their communications during Winter Storm Hernando. The letter is posted on the Town website for viewing and can be accessed [here](#).

#### **Emergency Preparedness Tip of the Month**

Create or replenish a disaster kit and emergency "go bag." Include hard copies of important documents, prescription orders, medical records, pet medical and vaccination records, and emergency contacts, or copy them onto a portable flash drive. See <https://www.ready.gov/kit> for a list of what else to include in your kit.

### **CALENDAR NOTES**

**April 3:** Town Hall closed for Good Friday.

**April 10:** Town Council meeting, 9 a.m.

**April 17:** Monthly Coffee and Conversation, 10 a.m.

**April 17:** Annual Spring Bonfire on the Beach, 7 p.m. (more details to come)

**April 24:** Town Council workshop, 9 a.m.

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