



Mayor's Monthly

June 2026

NEWS & INFO

York Road Flood Mitigation

The first phase of flood mitigation for York Beach was successfully completed in April. The second phase of this project is now underway. Our consulting engineers are analyzing flooding conditions on the secondary streets in York Beach (Carlisle, Plymouth, Bristol, Victoria) and recommending practical mitigation measures. Their report and recommendations are due by the end of the calendar year.

Welcomes & Congratulations

Welcome back to Dee Ramsey, our seasonal parking enforcement officer. We are thrilled to have Dee back in action monitoring parking on Ocean Drive and west of Coastal Highway. Dee will be with us through September, so be sure your parking pass is properly displayed when parking on Ocean Drive! We also welcome back to their stands the South Bethany Beach Patrol. There are 40 guards on the patrol this season, led by Captain Ryan Dacey. We wish them a safe and successful season.

Congratulations to our newest Council members, Steve Gallagher and Sarah Long, both of whom were sworn in at the May Town Council Reorganizational meeting. Welcome aboard!

Did You Know?

Fruit peels and nuts left on the beach are LITTER. There is a common misconception that "natural trash" such as orange peels, banana peels, apple cores, and shells from nuts and seeds are okay to leave behind on the beach or in other outdoor spaces. While these things are natural, they are not natural to the places they are being left. These types of trash attract wildlife, affecting their health and habits. Plus, nobody wants to step on your apple core or pistachio shells. Pack in, pack out, please.

Update on Possible Town Charter Changes

Last month I reported that the Council was considering changes to the Town Charter that would reduce the size of the Council from seven members to five and asked for your feedback. Thank you to all who sent emails; opinions were evenly split. This discussion has been put on hold since charter changes need to be approved by the General Assembly (GA) and their term is now wrapping up for the year. Council may revisit the changes again when the GA is back in session.

Emergency Preparedness Tip of the Month

Create a profile on Smart 911, a free service that allows you to create a Safety Profile for your household that includes any information you want 911 to have in the event of an emergency. Then, when anyone in your household dials 911 from a phone associated with your Safety Profile, your profile is immediately displayed to the 911 call taker providing additional information that can be used to facilitate the proper response to the proper location. Create your profile [here](#).

CALENDAR NOTES

June 12: Town Council Meeting, 9 a.m.

June 13: Town-Wide Yard Sale, 8 a.m.

June 19: Coffee & Conversation, 10 a.m.

June 24: America 250th Birthday Celebration at Town Hall, 12 p.m.

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