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Bridgeville, DE 19933

New Year – New Newsletter!
Welcome to our new version of
the Journal!



March 6, 2021 Election

The Bridgeville Municipal Election will be held on **Saturday, March 6, 2021**. Notices for the solicitation of candidates were published on January 15, 2021. The Bridgeville Commissioners have established five Election Voting Districts for Municipal Elections. This year Districts #4 and #5 will vote for candidates from their district to represent them on the Commission for a two-year term. If you are uncertain of your district, a voting district map is available for review at Bridgeville Town Hall and Bridgeville.delaware.gov.

As a reminder:

The following qualifications apply to all candidates: (1) U.S. Citizen at least 21 years of age on or before the Election date; (2) Bridgeville Resident and Registered Voter in the Municipality for at least one year immediately preceding Election date; (3) Registered Voter in the State of Delaware; (4) Live within the Election Voting District they wish to represent; (5) Not convicted of a Felony. **Prospective candidates must file a written letter of intent with the Commission President or Secretary, along with other filing requirements, by 4:30 PM on February 8, 2021.**

The following qualifications apply to all voters: Every U.S. citizen who is at least eighteen years of age and has resided in Bridgeville at least thirty days shall have one vote in his/her Voting District Election, provided he/she has registered on the "Books of Registered Voters" of the Town of Bridgeville and is a registered voter in the State of Delaware. A person may register at the Town Hall Monday through Friday, 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM. Please call in advance. **No person registered after the close of business on February 24, 2021, shall be allowed to vote in the 2021 Municipal Election.**

Absentee Balloting will be available for this election from February 19 through noon on March 5 at the Bridgeville Town Hall, 101 N. Main St.

We're Hiring!

The Town of Bridgeville is now hiring for a full-time Financial Manager. The full ad and job description can be viewed on our website at bridgeville.delaware.gov. Please have a complete application and resume submitted to Town Hall no later than February 25, 2021.

COVID-19 Related Updates

As COVID-19 has continued to spread, Town Hall will continue to be closed to the public to ensure residents' and staff's health and safety. **However, – you can still reach us.** Call us at (302) 337-7135 or email at townofbridgeville@gmail.com, and we will get back to you as quickly as possible. Appointments can be made for special circumstances on an as-needed basis. Check our website and social media pages for updates often. **For payment options** – payments may be mailed (please allow time for delivery), placed in the black drop box by the back door of Town Hall, made online at Bridgeville.delaware.gov, **or call Town Hall to make a payment over the phone.** Payments must be received by the due date to avoid interest. If you have difficulty paying because of COVID-19 (extreme illness, prolonged lack of work, etc.), please contact Town Hall to discuss payment arrangement options.

Groundhog Day

February 3 marks the annual tradition of Groundhog Day – when we all tune in to watch Punxsutawney Phil emerge – and this year, he saw that shadow! What does that mean for us? Approximately six more weeks of winter! Check the backside of the newsletter for winter weather maintenance reminders and recommendations.



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Twitter [@BridgevilleDel](https://twitter.com/BridgevilleDel)

Instagram [Town_Of_Bridgeville](https://www.instagram.com/Town_Of_Bridgeville)

And also **Nextdoor**



Commission Meetings are held on the second Monday of every month at 7:00 PM.
Commission Workshops are held on the last Monday of every month at 5:00 PM.

Virtual meeting links and supporting documentation can be found with each agenda posted on our website one week prior, at bridgeville.delaware.gov.



"If you lived here, you would be home now."

Our utility bills and newsletters are mailed out to 2,500+ local residents every month – and posted on our social media pages and website. Take advantage of a great advertisement opportunity, and sponsor the next edition of The Journal! Contact Town Hall today for more information!



Bridgeville Historical Society, Inc.

102 William Street - P. O. Box 306
Bridgeville, DE 19933 - 302-337-7600

Bridgeville Historical Society Museum

Open Tues., 10 am-12 noon & First Sunday from May-Nov., 12-3 pm
Membership dues are: Single \$15, Family \$25, Patron \$75, Life \$500

Bridgeville Public Library

Operating Hours- Monday and Friday 10 AM-5 PM, Tuesday through Thursday 10 AM-7 PM, Saturday 10 AM-2 PM, Sunday-closed.

Library E-services- Use Delaware Libraries online services from the comfort of your home! You can access eBooks, eMagazines, and more for free with your library card. Go to <https://lib.de.us/emedial/> for more information.

Brainfuse- this program provides a variety of online tutoring and learning support tools. Cardholders for the Bridgeville, Seaford, Laurel, and Delmar libraries can access Brainfuse for free.

Grab-N-Go Craft Bags- for preschoolers and school-age children are available in the library.

Caterpillar Clubhouse- Baby Story Time with Miss Kathy is on Facebook every Wednesday at 10 AM.

Story Time- video sessions with Miss Kathy are shared on our Facebook page every Tuesday at 11 AM.

Job Posting- The library has a full-time (35 hours) position available. They are looking for a creative, organized team-oriented Youth Services Coordinator with a strong public service commitment. For more information, visit their website or email: karen.johnson@lib.de.us by March 15, 2021.

Valentine's Fun

ACROSS

2 Shape for Valentine's Day

4 Color for Valentine's Day

5 Sign and send one of these to your friends

8 Pretty red flower with thorn

9 Not sour

10 Second month of the year

13 Please be my _____!

DOWN

1 Made from cocoa

3 You need a bow to shoot one of these

5 Sweet treats

6 Opposite of enemies

7 8 across is one of these

11 Opposite of hate

12 Son of Venus, he shoots arrows

Sussex County Wastewater System

The transition to Sussex County for the operation and control of the wastewater system has been progressing smoothly, and construction has been on track despite the recent weather-related delays. We currently expect the transition to occur in April 2021 and be completed no later than June. If you receive a wastewater charge from the Town of Bridgeville in your monthly utility bill, that will disappear, and be billed directly by Sussex County after June. If you have any questions about this change, let us know!

Black History Month

February is nationally recognized as Black History Month. While public interaction is still limited due to COVID-19, there are still many opportunities to participate in and explore the lives and events that comprise this cultural history event. You can follow along with The American Civil Liberties Union of Delaware at aclu-de.org for featured local events in Delaware - The Delaware Division of Historical and Cultural Affairs for virtual programs at history.delaware.gov, and even the Delaware Department of Archives at archives.delaware.gov – to name a few!

We want to hear from you!

Is there missing information you'd like to see featured in our newsletter? Do you have ideas for the community? We want to hear your positive and creative thoughts! Please write to us at townofbridgeville@gmail.com and be a part of the change you want to see.

Winter Weather Reminders

Snow: Snow/ice must be removed within twenty-four (24) hours of it ceasing to accumulate, according to the Town Code. The owner or occupant of any building or lot abutting a public sidewalk is responsible for keeping it clear of snow/ice. Additionally, for your letter carrier to provide you with uninterrupted service, residents must clear their mailbox approach.

Snow Plowing /Salting of Roads: When the snow begins to fall, residents having access to their yard from an alleyway must park their vehicles there. If a driveway does not exist, all residents must move vehicles to the even-numbered (house numbers) side of the street. When the odd-numbered side of the street has been cleared of snow/ice, residents must move vehicles to the street's odd-numbered side. The Town brines roads in advance of snowfall along with DelDOT's schedule and plows when accumulation reaches 2-3 inches.

Please use ice melt on sidewalks instead of salt. If you are out of town for an extended period during the winter months, you must make arrangements for your sidewalks to be shoveled in your absence.

Important dates

February 08 - EDC Meeting
5 PM - Zoom Only

February 08 - Commission Meeting
7 PM - Zoom Only

February 15 - **Town Hall Closed** -
President's Day
Board of Adjustment Meeting
6 PM - Zoom Only

February 16 - Planning and Zoning
6 PM - Library/Zoom

February 22 - Commission Workshop
5 PM - Zoom Only

February 25 - W&S Bills Due

Contact Information

Town Hall: (302) 337-7135 Fax: (302) 337-7817
For After Hour Emergencies please call the Police Dept.

Police Department:(302) 337-8302

Non-Emergency:(302) 337-8305

Fax: (302) 337-8359

Bridgeville Fire Dept. (302) 337-7272

Fire, Ambulance, Police: 911

State Police, Troop 5 (302) 337-1090

Sussex County: (302) 855-7700

Bridgeville Public Library: (302) 337-7401