



November 2022 Town Manager's Report

Economic Outlook

In November, the Town issued seven (7) building permits totaling \$17,200.86. There were four (4) building permits issued for new construction.

The Town received a check from the Recorder of Deeds in the amount of \$64,613.83 for realty transfer taxes (RTT) collected on our behalf during October 2022.

We have a balance of \$2,245,299.42 that may be earmarked for future debt payments or capital projects.

Land Use and Development

Pending Applications include:

- Jimmy's Grille/Blue Hen Crossroads Site – Renting to Don Chuy -
- Bridgeville Town Center – Between 13 and 404, Behind Food Lion – Next stage is Final Development Plan Approval. Preliminary Approved in August 2022.
- Ghulam Dastgir– New Minor Development Plan – Preliminary Approved in May 2022.
- Heritage Shores Phase 5 – Final Development Approval at tonight's meeting.
- Heritage Shores Phase 6 – Expected April 2023.
- PODS – GED S Main Dist, LLC – Preliminary approved at June 2022 P&Z – Was expected for final review in November.
- Rt 13 Self Storage of Bridgeville (13.41 Acre Parcel) – Dove Estates, LLC – Application Received in September for Conditional Use for a Mini Storage Facility. Heading to P&Z in December.
- Annexation Request – Fioravaniti/ Reaniti, LLC– Approx. 1.62 Acres on the South end of Town at the intersection of 13 and Cannon Road – Pending Plan of Services.
- Annexation Request – The Life Center – 12.65 Acres located at 8887 and 8889 Redden Road. – On hold per owner's request.

We have seen an exciting and steady increase in calls and meeting requests regarding potential applications on commercial properties throughout the Town. They will not appear in the report until either concept or preliminary applications are received.

Jimmy's Grille/Blue Hen Restaurant Update

We are seeing a lot of buzz about the old Jimmy's Grille/Blue Hen Crossroads property - so we'd like to help put some of the rumors to rest.

We were informed by the property owner that they have agreed to rent the restaurant to a tenant that does intend to open a restaurant, planned to be Don Chuy, which is an extension

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of an existing restaurant in Cambridge, MD. They will be doing extensive work on the property over the next several months. We are thrilled to see activity and progress on a property that has been vacant for a few years now, and we hope the community is also eager to see and support new business ventures!

Bridgeville's Charity Golf Tournament Proceeds

The proceeds from the 16th annual Golf Tournament totaled \$10,970.28. Both Bridgeville Kiwanis and Bridgeville Lions club received a check in November for \$5,485.14 each. The checks were presented by Commission President Tom Carey at a group meeting.

Christmas Parade

This year's parade was a great success! The theme was "Toy Trains and Candy Canes." We had around 80 organization entries. The parade was broadcast by TV Delmarva with Jim Weller and Colin Walls and was also available on Facebook Live. The video will air again on Christmas Day but can also be viewed anytime on Facebook through the TV Delmarva page or the link shared on Bridgeville's page.

This year's trophy winners are:

- Best Marching Band** - Sussex Tech "Raven Nation"
- Best Walking Group** - Bridgeville Public Library's Dolly Parton's Imagination Library
- Best Equestrian** - Grace Poe of Saddle Up Stables
- Best Fire Department** - Bridgeville Volunteer Fire Department
- Best Commerical Entry** - K&J Bus Company
- Best Float** - JBS Construction
- Best Car Club** - Lowered Habits Car and Truck Club
- Best Youth Group** - Woodbridge Childhood Early Education Center Raider Childcare Center



We have so many people to thank for pulling off this event – starting with our ENTIRE staff and some family members, who devoted their Saturday to making this happen.

Additional Sponsors/Contributors include:

- Senator Dave Wilson
- Coastal Run at Heritage Shores
- Abox Technology
- Bridgeville Volunteer Fire Department
- Simmons Foods

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And so many more – please know these community events would not happen without the dedication of these organizations and individuals – and we cannot thank them enough!

2023 Election Calendar

Bridgeville’s next election will be held on **Saturday, March 4, 2023**. This election will be for three (3) Commission seats:

District 4 – Currently, Tom Carey.

District 3 – Formerly Districts 3 and 5 – Currently held by John Tomeski and Bruce Smith – This seat will be for the one-year remainder of a two-year term.

District 1 – New District within Heritage Shores – Currently empty.

We know the redistricting process and numbering is confusing – and they have been renumbered, so we have large maps printed on display in Town Hall, and an electronic copy is available on our website under “Info” and “Elections.”

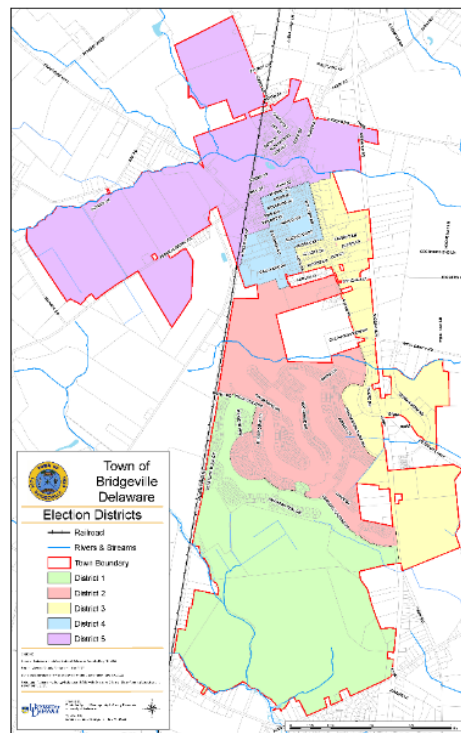
Deadline for Candidate Filing: February 3, 2023

(Notice for solicitation of candidates will run in early January)

Absentee Ballots: Available by **February 17, 2023**

Deadline for Voter Registration: February 22, 2023

Election Day: Saturday, March 4, 2023



Respectfully Submitted,

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