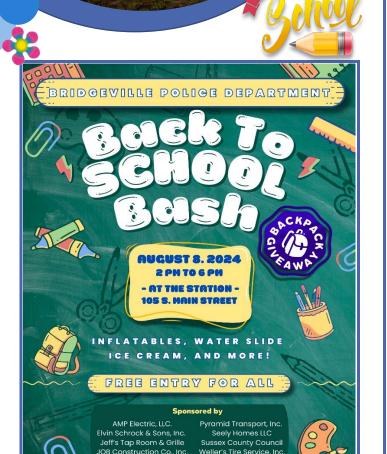
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Town of Bridgeville 101 N. Main Street Bridgeville, DE 19933



Property Taxes – FAQs

Here are a few answers to the most frequently asked questions about the Town's annual property tax billings - We hope this helps!

QUESTION: I am a senior citizen; how do I apply for the senior citizen's exemption?

ANSWER: The Town of Bridgeville does not offer a senior citizen exemption - but Sussex County does for their property tax bills. Sussex County Tax Department's phone # is (302) 855-7760. https://sussexcountyde.gov/tax-assistance-programs

QUESTION: I would like to know the payoff amounts for my Heritage Shores Special District Tax.

ANSWER: Municap is the company that handles everything related to the Heritage Shores Special District Taxes; the Town only acts as the collector and passes payments directly on to Municap. Municap's phone number for any questions is (443) 539-4101.

QUESTION: My mortgage company normally pays my taxes; do you send the bill to them as well?

ANSWER: No, we send all bills to the homeowner. It is the homeowner's responsibility to forward the statement to their mortgage company. Some mortgage companies do request the information, and only then do we give them bill copies. We do not track which companies contact us.

QUESTION: How do you create the assessment for my property? **ANSWER:** The Town of Bridgeville utilizes Sussex County's assessment of your property recorded as of the third week of June.

QUESTION: What is the Town's tax rate?

ANSWER: The 2024-2025 tax rate is \$3.66 per 100 off 50% of the county assessment. So, divide your total assessment (for land and improvements) by two, then divide again by 100, then multiply by \$3.66, and that is your property tax amount owed.

QUESTION: Do this year's tax bills reflect the Sussex County Reassessments?

ANSWER: No, the reassessment project is currently anticipated to be completed for the 2025 property tax bills.

QUESTION: Can I pay my taxes online?

ANSWER: Yes, you can! If you go to bridgeville.delaware.gov, click on "Pay Online" at the top right, and then from the drop-down menu, to "Tax Payment." This will bring you to our tax portal – iGovServices. You can also look up any property in town without creating an account by using the "Search" feature on the top left of the screen.

QUESTION: When are taxes due, and how are your tax years set up? **ANSWER:** The tax year runs from July 1 to June 30. Taxes are accrued at the beginning of the fiscal year (July 1) but are not PAST DUE until October 1, when 2% interest is added. This means you normally have until September 30 to pay every year.

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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.

Important Dates

August 8 - Back to School Bash at the Bridgeville Police Department 2-6 PM

- August 12 EDC Meeting 5 PM - Bridgeville Town Hall
- August 12 Commission Meeting 7 PM - Bridgeville Public Library August 20 - Planning and Zoning Meeting
- 6 PM Bridgeville Public Library
- August 25 Water Bills Due August 26 - Commission Workshop 5 PM - Bridgeville Public Library
- September 2 Town Hall Closed Labor Day All Meetings are also available via Zoom; Links can be found at bridgeville.delaware.gov.



Serving the Residents of Sussex County since 1924 and celebrating our 100th anniversary!

Offering Full Paid Shares in our financial institution at \$100 per share with no time restriction or early withdrawal.

Current Dividends are earning 4% APY, distributed every six months.

Having the ability to borrow against the share value at 90% of stock value while still receiving semi-annual dividends.

Call Wayne Wissman or Scott Hudson for details. 102 Market Street Bridgeville, DE 19933 (302) 337-8008

Community Events

Save these dates for our upcoming Fall and Winter Events!

- Farm to Table Dinner Event Saturday, September 28, 2024
- Fall Yard Sale Saturday, September 28, 2024
- Fall Cleanup Day Thursday, October 3, 2024
 Apple Scrapple Festival Friday, October 11, and Saturday, October 12, 2024
- Annual Charity Golf Tournament Friday, October 11, 2024
- Halloween Trick or Treat and Downtown Trunk or Treat – "Something Wicked This Way Comes" – Thursday, October 31, 2024
- Tree Lighting Ceremony Tuesday, December 3, 2024
- Christmas Parade "Holiday Movie Magic Saturday, December 14, 2024

Contact Information Town Hall: (302) 337-7135 Fax: (302) 337-7817 OPEN M-F 9 AM – 4PM 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



Bridgeville Public Library

- The 2024 Summer Reading Program ends on Saturday, August 10, so be sure to complete your reading logs and return to the library before August 10. The participants will be awarded at Family Fun Night on Thursday, August 15, at 6 pm. It will be a Camping and Wilderness theme with special guest-Smokey the Bear! Registration is required.
- **Story Book Corner** Join Ms. Hilary for Saturday Story Book Corner on Saturday, August 17 at 10 am.
- "In-House" Crafts- Visit the library anytime during regular business hours to paint rocks at the craft table through August 10.
- **L.E.A.P. Dogs** The <u>Literacy Education Assistance Pups (LEAP)</u> dogs are back in the library!! L.E.A.P.'s goal is to improve the literacy skills of children and grow their enthusiasm for reading by using therapy dog teams as literacy mentors. Join us on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month (August 13 and August 27) @ 11 am to read to the dogs. Reading to a L.E.A.P. dog is FUN!
- **Teen and Tweens** Ages 10-17-Join us with Ms. Hilary for Anime Trivia on Saturday, August 17 from 12-2 pm. It will be a Jeopardy-style trivia game to be played individually or with a team. Registration is required.
- **Neshicon** The Western Sussex Libraries are partnering up to present Neshicon 2024. It will be held on Saturday, August 24, at the Delmar Library from 10 am-2 pm. Join us for a celebration of all things anime, gaming, and cosplay! They will have food vendors, craft sales, gaming competitions, interactive inflatables, a cosplay competition, and D&D and Magic games running throughout the day. Hope to see you at this awesome experience!
- We will have **Bridgeville Artist Jack Lewis'** art displayed in the library through the month of August.
- The library will be closed on Saturday, August 31 through Monday, September 2 for the Labor Day Holiday.



Some of our programs require registration. To do so, either call the library at 302-337-7401 ext. 101 or go online: delawarelibraries.libcal.com/calendar/bridgeville

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