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2024 Christmas Parade Winners

Congratulations to our 2024 Annual Christmas Parade Trophy winners! If you missed the parade, you can still watch it on our Facebook page, courtesy of TV Delmarva. We can't thank everyone enough who came together to make this year's parade a success- we always have so much fun with the themes (Holiday Movie Magic!) and our winter events, including the Tree Lighting Ceremony! Thank you to all who participated - from those who entered, and those who came out and braved the cold and filled our streets!

Special thanks to our judges this year - Bruce Smith, Former Commissioner, Mandy Parkhurst, Manager of the Bridgeville Food Lion, and Mike Szczechura, former EDC Chair.

- Best Marching Band - Sussex Tech "Raven Nation" Marching Band**
- Best Walking Group - Pride Cheerleading**
- Best Commercial Entry - Shore Tint & More**
- Best Equestrian - PineHaven Farm**
- Best Fire Company - Greenwood Volunteer Fire Company**
- Best Float - RRP Mechanical Welding**
- Best Car Club - Lowered Habits**
- Best Youth Group - Woodbridge ECEC**

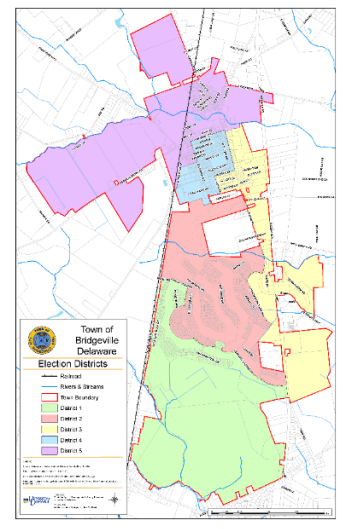


2025 Commission Election

Bridgeville's next election will be held on **Saturday, March 1, 2025**. This election will be for two (2) Commission seats:

- District 1** – Currently, Clifford Oliver
- District 4** – Currently, Tom Carey

Deadline for Candidate Filing:
January 31, 2025
(Notice for solicitation of candidates will run in early January)
Absentee Ballots: Available by **February 14, 2025**
Deadline for Voter Registration:
February 19, 2025



**Larger District maps are available at Town Hall and on our website at Bridgeville.delaware.gov.

The Bridgeville Municipal Election will be at the Bridgeville Public Library, 600 S. Cannon Street, between the hours of 12:00 PM and 7:00 PM. The Bridgeville Commissioners have established five Election Voting Districts for Municipal Elections. This year, Districts 1 and 4 residents will each vote for a candidate from their district to represent them on the Commission. All districts are for full two-year terms. Please note that the Town underwent Redistricting in 2022, and the districts were changed. If you are uncertain of your district, a voting district map is available for review at Bridgeville Town Hall and online at Bridgeville.delaware.gov.

The Town is currently soliciting candidates in Districts 1 and 4 for the 2025 Municipal Election. 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 State of Delaware for at least one year immediately preceding the Election date; (3) Registered Voter in the State of Delaware; (4) Lives 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 4:00 PM on January 31, 2025. Questions may be directed to the Bridgeville Town Hall at (302) 337-7135 or townofbridgeville@gmail.com.

All required flyers, forms, and additional information can also be found at Bridgeville.delaware.gov under "Info" and "Elections." Every U.S. citizen at least eighteen years of age and who has resided in Bridgeville for at least thirty days shall have one vote in their voting district during the election, provided they have registered in the State of Delaware. No person registered after February 19, 2025, shall be allowed to vote in the 2025 Municipal Election.

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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

Important Dates

- January 13 - Commission Meeting**
7 PM - Bridgeville Public Library
- January 20 - Town Hall Closed**
- January 21 - Planning and Zoning Meeting**
6 PM - Bridgeville Public Library
- January 27 - Water Bills Due**
- January 27 - Commission Workshop**
5 PM - Bridgeville Town Hall

All Meetings are also available via Zoom; Links can be found at bridgeville.delaware.gov.

Business and Rental Licenses

All Business and Rental Property Licenses expired at the end of the calendar year (December 31, 2024). Applications are available online and at Town Hall. Renewals also require new/updated forms to be submitted.

For Rental Property Licenses, rental inspections may only be scheduled with First State Inspection Agency once the application forms and payment are received at Town Hall. All rental property inspections should be scheduled with First State Inspection Agency no later than February 28, 2025, and be completed by March 31, 2025.

Winter Weather Reminders

Snow: Snow/ice must be removed within twenty-four (24) hours of it ceasing to accumulate, according to 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 the approach to their mailbox.

Snow Plowing /Salting of Roads: When the snow begins to fall, residents having access to their yards 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.

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.

Bridgeville Public Library

- **The library will be closed through Saturday, January 11.** We will be undergoing extensive renovations with new flooring and shelving. The book drop will be CLOSED and NO items will be due during this time. Starting Tuesday, December 10, all holds are being directed to the Greenwood Library. Sorry for the inconvenience. We will re-open on Monday, January 13 @ 10 am. We will be having a Grand Re-Opening celebration on Thursday, January 16 starting at 11 am with a special presentation.
 - **Family Fun Night** will be held @ 6 pm on Thursday, January 16. The public is invited to attend to celebrate the re-opening of the library. We will also celebrate the participants of the Reading Adventure along with other fun activities for the entire family. Registration is preferred for Family Fun Night, but it is open to the public to attend.
 - **Reading Adventure**-Summer Reading was a blast, so we are continuing with another neighborhood reading adventure running through January 12th. You will journey through Bridgeville and read books as you complete tasks, such as, Reading Bingo, a Selfie Scavenger Hunt, and Hometown Highlights. Look for details on our FB page and website. If you don't have a packet, all the information can be printed from our Facebook page and website. Also, a flyer on the library doors, in Town Hall, and at the Post Office will have a QR code. Don't miss out on all the fun!
 - **Story Book Corner**- Join Ms. Hilary for stories, songs, and rhymes about Winter in January. On Tuesday, January 7 it will be held @ 10 am at the Seaford Chick-Fil-A for all ages. Starting January 21, Story Book Corner held on Tuesdays at the library @ 10 am (geared for ages 3-5), and on Wednesdays, @ 9 am (geared for birth-2 years old).
 - **Library Learners League Homeschool Group**- The Delaware AeroSpace Education Foundation (DASEF) will have an exciting program with fun demonstrations to help you understand Newton's Law of Inertia at the library in the meeting room on Thursday, **January 9 at 11 am. Registration is required.**
 - **L.E.A.P. Dogs**- Join us on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month @ 11 am to Read to the L.E.A.P. Dogs (January 14th and January 28). We are excited to welcome a new puppy (Lady) will be joining Oliver in January!
 - **Friends of the Bridgeville Library**- If you haven't joined or wish to renew your membership with the Friends, visit the library or go to the Friends section on our website for the membership form. Consider attending the next meeting on Monday, January 20 at 10:30 am (library is closed).
 - **The library will be closed on Monday, January 20** for the Martin Luther King holiday.
 - To register for any of our events: Call 337-7401 ext. 101 or online: delawarelibraries.libcal.com.
 - We are NOT accepting AARP tax appointments until Monday, January 21, 2025.
- 600 South Cannon Street Phone: 302-337-7401 ext. 101 Email: bridgevillelibrary18@gmail.com

Bridgeville, Delaware 19933 Fax:302-337-3270 Website: <https://bridgevillepubliclibrary.com>

New Utility Billing Software

We have been busy working on a much-needed upgrade to our utility billing software. **With this upgrade, you will see a new look to your bills and have access to a direct customer portal that will enable you to view, print, and pay your bills online. Through the customer portal, you can sign up for E-billing, autopay, view your bills, and view your usage history.**

We are planning on going live early in 2025 (Estimating March) – notices will be sent out to all account holders with instructions when the new system is ready!

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