

Town of Betterton Spring 2018

Notes from the Mayor

Welcome to Spring 2018. The weather has definitely had its ups and downs.

Town employees will start our typical Monday yard waste collection for recycling at the Nicholson Landfill on April 2nd.

The new Wastewater Treatment Plant construction is progressing along. Construction is expected to be completed by the beginning of September. As has been stated in previous newsletters, this plant will be a replacement of our existing plant that was constructed in the late 1960's.

We are still looking for grant funding for the construction of the Greener Wheeler Avenue project and we have now submitted two applications for grant funding to work on the Rigbie Stairs, which are in need of repairs.

The plans for the new Post Office have been received and are at the Town Hall. The hope is that it will be here sometime late Spring. The plan shows the new building turned 90 degrees from the current structure with the entrance door facing the old Town Hall. This will allow for some employee parking off of Church Alley and allow for the bulk mail delivery and pick up. As part of the new office installation, they are planning on setting up temporary cluster boxes in the back of Town Hall, at 100 Main Street, to be out of the way of the construction. The new office is to be installed at ground elevation with no need for a ramp.

The construction of the new outfall pipe and pervious pavement from Main Street to the County Beach Parking Area have begun, with an anticipated completion by May. We are grateful for a grant from the Department of Natural Resources to fund that project and help improve the storm water quality heading into the river and bay.

In addition, the State Highway Administration has begun the repairs and re-pavement along Main Street and along Route 292 to Still Pond. Please be cautious when driving in the area.

The Town will also be adding another Radar Speed sign on Main Street, at 1st Avenue. This sign was granted to the Town for doing an interview for article about the Radar Signs. The thought is that a second notification on Main Street will further help control the speed of those visiting our Town.

That's all for now and as always, please stop by the Town Hall and/or attend a Council meeting if you should have any questions.

Mayor Sutton



Dates to Remember

Trash Pick-Up: Mondays

Yard Waste Pick-Up: Mondays

Recycling Pick-Up: Tuesdays

April 22nd Earth Day

May 13th Mother's Day

May 28th Memorial Day

June 14th Flag Day

June 17th Father's Day

June 21st First day of Summer

Town Office Holiday Closures

Monday, May 28th

Memorial Day



Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday

8 am – 3 pm

The office is closed on Wednesday and Holidays.

Council Meetings

2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 7 pm.

All are invited to attend.

Payments to the Town

When submitting payments to the town, please write separate checks for separate items. Do not include any other payments in the check for your water/sewer bill. This allows for easier bookkeeping. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Talking Trash

All trash should be placed in the 55 gallon bin provided by the Charlie's Waste Service. One additional 30 gallon container may be used, but it must have a lid.

Thank you for your cooperation to keep our town beautiful.

Betterton Beach Clean-Up

Date: Saturday, April 21st

Time: 9 am to Noon

Place: Betterton Beach

Rain Date: Sunday, April 22nd

Help clean Betterton Beach in preparation for the upcoming summer season. There will be food and beverages provided for participants following the clean-up. Free T-shirt to volunteers registered by 4:30 pm April 7th.

Call 410-778-2083 or email info@KentParksAndRec.org for more information.





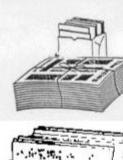


Infinity Recycling

Dual Stream

Curbside Instructions

ALL ACCEPTED CONTAINERS
MAY BE MIXED
IN ONE BIN

ALL ACCEPTED FIBERS
MAY BE MIXED
IN A SEPARATE BIN

<p>GLASS BOTTLES & JARS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♻️ Recycle glass bottles & jars ONLY. (NO window panes, NO glassware, NO ceramics, NO light bulbs, NO mirrors, NO pyrex) ♻️ Please remove lids or caps. Labels may remain. ♻️ Please rinse out food. 	
<p>METAL CANS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♻️ Recycle aluminum and steel cans ♻️ Food cans should be empty and rinsed, foil should be clean, beverage cans should be empty. ♻️ We accept metal lids and caps. ♻️ No plastic bags, please. ♻️ We also pick up other non-ferrous items, such as pots & pans or lawn furniture 	
<p>PLASTIC BOTTLES & JARS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♻️ RECYCLE #1 & #2 PLASTIC BOTTLES - THESE ARE CONTAINERS THAT HAVE A MOUTH & NECK SMALLER THAN THE CONTAINER. These include: ♻️ #1 PET water and soda BOTTLES ♻️ #2 HDPE milk, water, cider or soap JUGS & BOTTLES ♻️ PLEASE: NO bags, NO tubs, NO trays, NO motor oil ♻️ Remove caps, empty and rinse. ♻️ PLEASE FLATTEN large bottles. 	
<p>Electronics</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♻️ Any small electronics (phones, radios, computers) NO monitors, NO TV's, NO appliances 	
<p>PAPER CORRUGATED CARDBOARD & KRAFT BAGS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♻️ Save newspaper, magazines, catalogues, phone books, copy & writing paper, envelopes, paper bags & chipboard (ie cereal boxes, noodle boxes, six-packs, writing pad backing, etc.) ♻️ Place flat in a PAPER bag or tie bundle with string. ♻️ Please remove any plastic bags. ♻️ Please do not set out paper for recycling when heavy rain or snow is threatening. ♻️ Please place shredded paper in a tied or taped bag to avoid litter and moisture. 	
<p>BOOKS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♻️ CORRUGATED cardboard only. ♻️ Flatten boxes and place them in another box or tie the bundle ♻️ You may also recycle (Kraft) brown paper bags. ♻️ Hard cover and soft cover books may be recycled. ♻️ Please do not set out books for recycling when heavy rain or snow is threatening. 	
<p>OLD CLOTHES & FABRIC</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♻️ Clothes must be clean and dry. You may include paired shoes, handbags and belts. (NO pillows, NO blankets, NO rugs) ♻️ Clothes should be placed in secured bags to protect them from weather and dew. ♻️ Please do not set clothes out when rain or snow is coming. 	
<p>PICK UP SCHEDULE</p>	<p>Every _____ except the noted holidays.</p> <p>**The pick-up between Christmas and New Years Day will be skipped.**</p> <p>On days of extremely poor weather, such as snow storms & hurricanes, pick up will be <i>skipped</i>.</p> <p>Please feel free to call us at 410-928-3333 or email us at infinrecy@aol.com</p> <p>Check out our web site at www.infinityrecycling.org</p>	<p>NO PICK UP HOLIDAYS</p> <p>New Years Day Memorial Day July 4th Labor Day Thanksgiving Day Christmas Day</p>

Place items in containers or use clear plastic bags, not white or black trash bags.

Please make sure containers are light enough that they can be lifted easily.

Yard Waste Pick-Up Policy

Leaves, grass clippings, and small plant matter **MUST** be bagged with no other non-yard waste material or they will not be picked up.

Large piles of leaves that are not bagged cause issues when they blow in the road. Please bag your leaves!

No more than **FOUR (4)** bags will be collected at each property weekly. Each bag should weigh no more than 30 pounds.

Small branches may be a maximum of 3 inches in diameter and 4 feet in length.

Do not leave items curbside that are over the maximum allowed per week. Items cannot remain on the curbside for more than five (5) days.

Mulch is available to all Kent County residents at the Nicholson Transfer Station.

Bicycle Rides

The Annual Draw for Sight Bicycle Ride will start at the Betterton Fire Hall on Sunday, April 29th. 30 or 60 mile ride through Historic Chestertown and the countryside of Kent County.

The 33rd Annual Bay to Bay Bicycle Ride will start at the Betterton Fire Hall on June 24th and ride to the Delaware Bay and back. Routes from 26-102 miles are available.

Sag wagon and food stops provided on both rides. Go to Active.com to register.



Betterton Fire Company – Chicken BBQ

When: May 27th 11 am – 3 pm

\$10 per platter. Includes ½ chicken, 3 sides, and a roll.

Dine in or carry out.



In the Community

American Legion Bingo

Sundays

Doors open at 1pm

Bingo at 2 pm

Water/Sewer Due

May 10th

Next Water Reading

June 29th

Betterton Youth Group

Betterton's youth group meets throughout the school year. All kids ages 6-16 are invited to come. Children under 6 may come if a parent stays. Youth group is held in the Basement of Betterton United Methodist Church.

Upcoming dates are: **April 6th, April 20th, May 11th, May 25th**

For details, contact Patti Bone at (443) 298-0057.



American Legion Quarter Auction

The American Legion Auxiliary C. Henry Price II Unit 246 is having a quarter Auction on April 28th. Doors open at 6 pm, starts at 7pm. \$5 for your 1st paddle. \$3 for additional paddles. Local vendors will attend and food will be available for purchase. Proceeds will go to the Auxiliary. Contact Patti Bone for questions. 443-298-0057

Lending Library

We have adult fiction and non-fiction books, textbooks, and children's books available to borrow from Town Hall. Bring a book, leave a book. We also have free Wi-Fi. Feel free to come in and use the conference room or walk through the museum any time if there is not a meeting in session.



Are you new to town? Or are you a seasonal resident?

If anything arises with your property, it is MUCH easier to contact you by phone or email than send out a letter. Please make sure the town office has your current contact information. As a small town, we try to keep an eye out for our residents. If water is leaking, a tree falls, or your door blows open, we want to be able to contact you quickly!

The Betterton Heritage Museum and BCDC News

The wind is howling, but we are getting ready for Spring at the Museum. We are working to upgrade some of our exhibits and add some new items for the Gift Shop.

The Museum will have a special opening on Saturday, May 5th from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm to coordinate with the Driving Tour sponsored by the Museums of Kent. Look for more information in the Tidewater Trader. We expect that at least 8 of the other museums in Kent County will be open. It is a great time to see our history.

May 26 and 27 will be official opening of the Betterton Heritage Museum. We will be open on Saturdays and Sundays from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm through September. We need our wonderful volunteer docents to sign up for a day of sitting. Contact Linda Hall, 410-348-2343, if you are interested in sitting the museum.

NOTE...the Little Free Library, located in the park at 100 Main St. has some great books. The selection changes frequently and we will be adding some new children's books. Also, look for a new Little Free Library coming soon at 3rd Ave and Church Alley. The new Library will focus on books to help you stay healthy.

Community Yard Sale. BCDC will again sponsor the Community Yard Sale on Saturday, August 25. You can begin to collect the treasures for that event. More details will follow in the June newsletter.

Do you have something newsworthy?

Any articles or photos you would like included in the Spring newsletter should be emailed to Elizabeth Greenwell at egreenwell@townofbetterton.com or Sheila Dlugoborski at info@townofbetterton.com no later than by May 15th. Of particular interest is information on upcoming events and photos of events you attended in town.



Photo of Betterton Beach and the frozen Chesapeake Bay taken on January 9th. This picture marked the start of what would be a long, cold winter. We are hopeful that spring is on the way.

Photo by Elizabeth Greenwell