

Brookeville Times



Mark Your Calendars

All Events held at the Academy
(unless otherwise noted)

Planning Commission Meeting

Tuesday, April 5
7:30 pm

Commissioners Meeting

Monday, April 11
7:00 pm

Planning Commission Meeting

Tuesday, May 3
7:30 pm

Commissioners Meeting

Monday, May 9
7:00 pm

Town Election

Tuesday, May 10
3:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Annual Town Meeting

Monday, May 16
7:00 pm

Charrette

Saturday, May 21
Time TBD

Heritage Days

Sunday, June 26
12n – 4:00 pm

Charrette

Saturday, September 17
Time TBD

Brookeville Bypass Update

By: Commissioner Buck Bartley

The State Highway Administration (SHA) Brookeville Bypass Partnering Meeting occurred on Wednesday, March 16, 2016. Commissioner Bartley represented the Town of Brookeville. Steady progress is apparent. Test borings are close to complete. Various mandatory meetings have been scheduled. And the general contractor, Kiewit Construction, is targeting a September 2016 start date to begin construction. However, one major hurdle remains which is permit approval from the Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) and Montgomery County; permits to do with design approvals of the impacted waterways and flood control. SHA has hired a private engineering team to shepherd that process, but according to one of the committee members approvals could take anywhere from four months to a year. So realistically, perhaps the best we can hope for is a 2017 start. The biggest surprise to come out of the meeting is a design change which leaves the Brookeville Road bridge over the Meadow Branch and the Georgia Avenue bridge over the Ready Branch in place, a decision which we were told following the meeting was due to "structural considerations," and perhaps, we guess, waterway issues. In general, though, progress toward building our Bypass continues in a forward direction.

Allocation of Local Income Tax Revenue

The Town Commissioners attended a Maryland Municipal League event on March 3rd and gathered more information regarding a potential local income tax issue. According to the Comptroller's Office, in the tax years 2010 – 2014, it appears that errors occurred in the coding of municipal income tax returns. The coding errors incorrectly assigned overpayments of tax returns to some municipalities while underpaying others. Montgomery County has 19 municipalities that received incorrect returns.

In the Comptroller's report, "Net Transfer of Returns & Revenues from Subdivision Allocations", municipalities that were over-compensated include:

Barnesville (\$41,859)
Brookeville (\$274,029)
Gaithersburg (\$2,476,113)
Glen Echo (\$5,019)
Kensington (\$5,237)
Laytonsville (\$360,342)
Rockville (\$574,046)
Chevy Chase (\$4,919,075)

Municipalities that were under-compensated include: Garrett Park, Poolesville, Somerset, Takoma Park, Washington Grove, Chevy Chase Village, Chevy Chase - Sections 3 and 5, Chevy Chase View, North Chevy Chase, Oakmont, Friendship Heights, Martins Addition, and Drummond. The amounts range from \$10,440 (Garrett Park) to \$851,741 (Chevy Chase Village).

The Town is working with the Town's attorney, the Maryland Municipal League and the other affected Municipalities to resolve this complex issue. It is a top priority for the Town Commissioners.

Town Election

By: Marti Andress, Supervisor of Elections

Greetings Brookeville Neighbors,

Don't let the recent presidential debates turn you off of voting for one of your Town Commissioners next month. It's important to show your support for those courageous individuals who volunteer their time to get involved in our town's governance. Hope to see everyone there!

Marti Andress
Supervisor of Elections
301-204-7527
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The Commissioners have approved Jeff Johnson to be adjunct Election Supervisor to help Supervisor Marti Andress for this election.

There will be an election on Tuesday, May 10, 2016 for one Town Commissioner, who will serve a two-year term beginning in June 2016.

Send your self-nomination to:

Town of Brookeville
Attn: Supervisor of Elections
5 High Street
Brookeville, MD 20833

All Self – Nominations must be received on or before Monday, April 11, 2016

Section 14 of the Town Charter: Voters.

Every person who (a) is a citizen of the United States, (b) is at least eighteen (18) years of age, (c) has resided within the Town for at least thirty (30) days preceding any Town election, and (d) is registered in accordance with the provisions of this Charter, shall be a registered voter of the Town. Every registered voter of the Town shall be entitled to vote at any or all Town elections.

Section 24 of the Town Charter. Absentee Ballots.

- a. Any qualified voter registered to vote in the Town of Brookeville is entitled to vote in any municipal election by absentee ballot.
- b. The Board of Supervisors of Elections shall mail absentee ballots to qualified voters, at the request of those voters, not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the elections

How much did the 2016 Blizzard cost to clean-up?

The Town spent \$1,775 this past winter for snow removal. This was for snow removal during and after the January 2016 blizzard. The Town spent a total of \$2,500 during the winter of 2014-2015.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING Monday, May 16, 2016

7:00PM

BROOKEVILLE ACADEMY

The Town Commissioners will hold the Annual Town Meeting.

Highlights of the meeting will include but not limited to:

State of the Town

Budget for FY 2016-2017

Roadways

All Town Residents are encouraged to attend the Annual Town Meeting

Charrette

A collaborative design workshop

The Brookeville Planning Commission (BPC) will be hosting a Charrette Saturday, May 21 and Saturday, September 17. The BPC wants to solicit input from Town Residents prior to the revision of the Town's Comprehensive Plan. More information about the Charrette will be coming in the next few weeks.

All Town Residents are encouraged to review the current Brookeville Comprehensive Plan and attend the planning meetings. The Comprehensive Plan can be found on the Town's website:

<http://townofbrookevillemd.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/03/BrookevilleComprehensiv ePlan.pdf>

Miss Utility Reminder

Call 811 before you dig or go to www.missutility.net

Spring is here and if you plan on any outdoor activities that involve digging in your yard, play it Safe and call Miss Utility at 800.257.7777 first to prevent cutting an underground utility line. Don't Risk disrupting service or life threatening injuries. It's also the law! And it's a free service for the homeowner.

Miss Utility crews will clearly mark the locations of all your utility lines such as gas, water, sewer, electric, telephone and cable. Once they're marked, you'll be able to start your project with safety and confidence.

Salem United Methodist Church, 12 High Street

Free Movie Night – “Inside Out”

Friday, April 1, 6:30-9:00

Salem Community Hall

Refreshments for purchase include hot dogs, hamburgers, French fries, nachos, popcorn, cookies, candy, brownies and drinks.



YARD SALE

Saturday, April 16

8:00 am – 1:00 pm

All proceeds support the ASP crews' house-building trip June 19-25 in West Virginia.

Please bring any items to donate to Salem UMC Thursday & Friday, April 14-15, 2016.

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Suzanne Daley (2017)	301.260.1699
Katherine Farquhar (2017), President	240.753.2121

Brookeville Planning Commission: planning.commission@townofbrookevillemd.org

Chris Scanlon (2016), Chair
Bruce Evans (2016)
Fred Teal (2016)
Debbie Wagner (2016)
Miche Booz (2016)
Andy Spagnolo (2019)
Stefan Syski (2019)

Brookeville Board of Elections Supervisors:

Marti Andress (2017), Chair
Carmen Harding (2017)
(Vacant), (2018) To be appointed by Commissioners

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Andrea Scanlon

2016 Town Directory

The latest edition of the Town Directory is now available (1 per household). If you did not pick-up your copy yet, please contact the Town Clerk to obtain a copy.