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# Brookeville Times



## COVID-19 Update

Governor Larry Hogan issued a stay-at-home order on Monday, March 30. All residents must remain in their homes unless they are essential employees traveling to or from work, obtaining food or medicine, or seeking urgent medical care. You can enjoy the fresh air by exercising outside while maintaining a safe distance from others.

- Be sure to say at least six feet away from anyone who is not a member of your household.
- Avoid gathering in groups.
- Wash your hands often with soap and warm water for at least 20 seconds.
- Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60 percent alcohol if soap and water are not available.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using standard cleaning practices.
- Cover your coughs and sneezes with a tissue, your sleeve, or your elbow.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- If you are sick, stay home except to get medical care.

For everyone's health, Governor Hogan has a public health order requiring face coverings in grocery stores, pharmacies, farmers' markets, and retailers.

This order is in place to protect shoppers and employees from the spread of COVID-19.

A face covering can be a homemade cloth covering, a scarf or bandana that snugly covers your mouth and nose. The CDC has issued detailed guidance regarding how you can make and use homemade cloth face coverings:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html>

This can be a stressful and confusing time, so it's crucial that each of us learn about the virus and take precautions to reduce the risk to ourselves, our families, and our community. Get all the information you need on: <https://coronavirus.maryland.gov/>

### Mark Your Calendars

All Meetings will be via Video Conference until further notice. Updates will be communicated via email and posted to the Town's website.

#### Bulk Trash Dumpster

April 24 – May 4  
Schoolhouse Lot

#### Planning Commission Meeting

Tuesday, May 5, 2020  
7:30 pm

#### Commissioners Meeting

Monday, May 11, 2020  
7:00pm

#### Town Election

Tuesday, May 12, 2020  
3:00pm – 7:00pm

#### Planning Commission Meeting

Tuesday, June 2, 2020  
7:30 pm

#### Commissioners Meeting

Monday, June 8, 2020  
7:00pm

#### Annual Town Meeting

Tuesday, June 9, 2020  
7:30pm – 9:00pm

# Town Election

There will be an election on Tuesday, May 12, 2020, for one Town Commissioner who will serve a two-year term beginning in June 2020. Bill Gaskill currently holds the seat.

## **There is one candidate on the ballot: Bill Gaskill**

Due to the COVID-19, the May 12 Commissioners election will have the following protocol:

- One-way entrance from the Academy's side door
- One-way exit through the Academy's front door
- Stay at least 6 feet from other people; tape will mark 6 feet segments
- Pens to mark the ballots will not be reused
- A face covering must be worn

## **How can I vote by mail?**

You must request an Absentee ballot no later than April 24, 2020.

**An informal written request** for an absentee ballot may be submitted to the Supervisor of Elections, and it must contain the following information:

1. Voter's name
2. Residence address
3. Address to which the ballot is to be mailed, if different from the residence address
4. Voter's Signature

You must mail your voted ballot. You cannot submit your voted ballot online or return it by email or fax. The mailed ballot must be received by the board of elections by 3:00 pm on May 12, 2020.

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

Marti Andress  
Supervisor of Elections  
301-204-7527  
[Marti.Andress@verizon.net](mailto:Marti.Andress@verizon.net)

**Spring Cleaning?  
Residential Dumpster  
April 24 – May 4, 2020**

**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
Tuesday, June 9, 2020  
7:30 pm – 9:00pm**

A dumpster for Bulk Trash disposal will be available to Town Residents on April 24 – May 4 at the Schoolhouse parking on North Street.

The Town Commissioners will hold the Annual Town Meeting on June 9, 2020

## **Use Social Distancing**

- Stay at least 6 feet from other people
- Do not gather in groups
- Wear face-covering around other people

Highlights of the meeting will include but not limited to:

- State of the Town
- The budget for FY '21
- Roadways

## What can I throw in the dumpster?

Some rules-of-thumb are that bulk trash is an item that doesn't fit in a trash can or trash bag

- a single large item from home remodeling (examples: a door, a cabinet)
- large non-metal items like furniture, carpet, and mattresses
- 5 or more bags or cans of trash

## What items are not accepted in bulk trash?

- Propane tanks
- Uncovered glass mirrors/table tops
- Debris generated from major construction, remodeling, demolition, or repair work like bricks, concrete, lumber, non-metal fencing, shingles, drywall, paint, rock, sod, auto parts, tires, non-metal kitchen cabinets, sheds, and large dog houses, etc.
- Dirt, yard debris, rocks, tree trunks
- Hazardous materials
- Human or animal fecal or uriniferous matter; infectious waste; dead animals
- Large items that will not fit in the dumpster

## News from Around Town

The schoolhouse lot received a spring clean-up from Mark and Suzanne Friis. Many thanks to the Friis Family for spending countless hours weeding and for donating and installing plants along North Street.

A new ductless splits HVAC system has been installed at the Schoolhouse. A Maryland Heritage Areas Program Grant is funding the HVAC system.

A tree fell across the lower end of Water Street during the early morning hours of April 8th. The Town Commissioners, aided by North Street Resident Matt Pollock, quickly sprang to action with chain saws to remove the tree from the roadway.

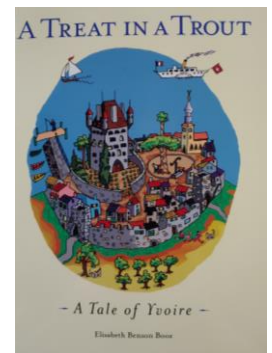
If you need a mask, Allison Moffett, North St. Resident, has kindly offered to make masks for Town Residents.

Town Social Network: Commissioner Garret Anderson manages a private Town of Brookeville Nextdoor page. This can be utilized by town residents. If you would like to access the site please follow this [link for Town of Brookeville](#)

The Town installed 4 Bluebird Nestboxes in memory of Susan Bartley. The Eastern Bluebird population is in decline due to the loss of habituate and invasive, aggressive birds such as European Starling and the House Sparrow (which is not native to the US).



Diane Teague has a free children's book for Brookeville's quarantined kids. A Treat in a Trout was written and illustrated by Miche Booz's mother. It is set in a picturesque medieval French village called Yvoire long before technology. The village still exists, and you can use technology and google maps to get an aerial view. We have enough for any family in town who wants one. It is available in French and English.



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Garrett Anderson (2021)	301.706.9506
Mark Davis (2021)	202.355.3744

**Brookeville Planning Commission:** [planning.commission@townofbrookevillemd.org](mailto:planning.commission@townofbrookevillemd.org)

Buck Bartley	(2023)		
Miche Booz	(2021)	Chris Scanlon	(2021)
Margaret Kay	(2022)	Allison Moffett	(2022)

**Brookeville Board of Elections Supervisors:**

Marti Andress (2020), Chair  
Iris Stratton (2022)  
Jeff Johnson (2022)

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Brooke Curley

All public Commissioner and Planning Commission agendas are posted on the Town's website at least 24 hours before each meeting.

Please note that agendas are subject to change until the time of convening.

Meeting minutes for Open Meetings are posted on the Town's website after adoption and as soon as practicable.