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ByPass Project Update

While the ByPass project is 55 percent complete and is in the first of four construction phases, the Brookeville Bypass project schedule has been extended to Year-End 2022

Commissioners were notified by MDOT SHA the bypass schedule was extended to year-end 2022. Per MDOT: "After the most recent review of the project's schedule, it has been determined that additional time will be needed to complete the project. Progress permitting, the new estimated completion date for the project is year-end 2022. The previous estimated completion date for the project was late summer 2021."

The new estimated completion date for the project is directly attributable to bridge redesign work, utility relocation delays, slope repair and excavation work delays, weather, and impacts of COVID-19 on the scheduling availability of work crews.

Bridge abutment work will continue from now through the end of the year. As abutment work continues, crews will focus on soil/slope/roadway stabilization and stream restoration work. Once those items are complete, crews will have a pathway to perform concrete and rebar work for the project.

News from the Brookeville Planning Commission

The BPC is in Preliminary Plan Phase with the owner of 23 High St. (Parcel 770) for the recently submitted subdivision application. The complete file for this project is available for public inspection from the Town Clerk.

The BPC will meeting continue the Preliminary Planning for 23 High St. at the November 2nd Planning Commission meeting via Zoom.

Mark Your Calendars

Planning Commission Meeting Tuesday, November 2, 2021 7:30 pm via Zoom

> Commissioners Meeting Monday, November 8, 2021 7:00pm via Zoom

Planning Commission Meeting Tuesday, December 7,2021 7:30 pm via Zoom

> Commissioners Meeting Monday, December 13, 2021 7:00pm via Zoom

Public Town meetings will be held virtually until further notice. Meeting updates will be communicated via email and posted to the Town's website.

If you would like to attend a public Meeting that is being held via Zoom, please send an email to clerk@townofbrookevillemd.org for login credentials

In Memoriam

Harry E. Montgomery July 24, 1931 – September 15, 2021

Harry Montgomery, of Market Street, Brookeville, MD passed away on September 15, 2021. He was 90. Harry moved to the Town in 1979 and is survived by his wife, Karen, three grown children, four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Please keep Karen and her family in your thoughts as they go through this difficult time.

A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, October 23, 2021, at 11am at the Brookeville Academy with a luncheon to follow.



Gravel Roads Improvement Project Financing

The Gravel Roads Improvement Project Work Plan will be updated with the estimated cost of resurfacing the Town's gravel road with Tar & Chip. The work plan will have a cost comparison for maintain the existing gravel roads vs. resurfacing with tar & chip. Once updated, the work plan will be available for review. The Town Commissioners plan to obtain a loan from Sandy Spring Bank to finance a portion of the resurfacing project, with the remainder of the cost to come from the Town's reserves.

Historic Preservation Tax Credit Program

If you did any exterior work on your property this summer, you might be eligible for the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Tax Credit.

All properties within the Town's municipal boundaries are eligible for the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Tax Credit, regardless of the age of your home.

Examples of eligible projects include, but are not limited to,

- Painting
- Repairing roofs or windows or replacing them in-kind
- Repairing architectural trim or ornament
- Uncovering and repairing original siding
- Repointing brick or stone foundations or chimneys
- Restoring a documented feature such as a dormer or porch that was previously altered or removed
- Repairing and maintaining outbuildings such as barns and garages

For more information, or to download an application, please visit: https://montgomeryplanning.org/planning/historic/tax-credit-program/
Or contact the Historic Preservation Office 301-563-3400

Post Bypass Era Plans

The Town is preparing for the post-Bypass era! According to SHA, the Bypass estimated completion date is year-end 2022.

A. Update to the Transportation portion of the Comprehensive Plan

Preliminary Timeline: Update to the Transportation portion of the Comprehensive Plan:

Final Draft Plan has been received and is being reviewed by BPC and the Town Commissioners.

- TBD: revised Transportation portion of the Comprehensive Plan will be sent to Town Residents for review prior to being ratified.
- October: revised Transportation portion of the Comprehensive Plan sent to Maryland Dept. of Planning for review and comments.

B. Market Street Reconstruction Project (Brighton Dam Rd to MD97 intersection)

After L/KLA design plan is approved by the Town of Brookeville and permits are obtained, work will begin on Market Street. The project will include roadway removal, grading, and resurfacing. The goal of the project is to improve traffic safety for motorists, bicyclists, and pedestrians.

Preliminary Timeline:

- TBD: Civil engineer engaged for construction plans
- TBD: Request for Proposal sent out
- TBD: Construction begins

C. Gravel Road Improvement Project

The Commissioners have a HAWP (Historic Area Work Permit) for tar and chip (double chip seal) with "bluestone" for North, South, and Water Streets.

Preliminary Timeline:

- Fall 2021: update the estimated cost in the Gravel Road Improvement Project Work Plan
- Fall 2021: obtain financing
- Fall 2021: permit on the BPC agenda for review and approval
- Fall 2021: permit on the Town Commissioners agenda for review and approval
- December 13, 2021: contract approval and signed.
- Spring 2022: obtain a schedule of work and notify residents

Projects will be updated monthly. If you have any comments, questions, or concerns about projects going on around Town, please send an email to clerk@townofbrookevillemd.org or contact a Town Commissioner.

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