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News From the Commissioners

BROOKEVILLE, MARYLAND

Dear Brookeville Residents,

We want to update you on what the Brookeville Commissioners are working on. As we enter the post-bypass era, we are focused on enhancing the historical charm of our beloved Town. Here are the key projects currently in progress:

1. **Route 97 Highway Mitigation and Redesign**: In partnership with the Planning Commission, we are collaborating with the State Highway Administration (SHA) to mitigate remnants of old Route 97 and redesign the old highway to include sidewalks, crosswalks, and a safe intersection with traffic calming measures. Our approach is to update the road to align more closely with our historic district while prioritizing pedestrian safety and accessibility. Preserving our Town's historical authenticity and enhancing its walkability is at the heart of this endeavor.

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- 2. Federal Grant Application: To bolster our efforts, we have applied for a \$500,000 federal grant to fund a community-led design of the redesign. To bolster our efforts, we have applied for a \$500,000 federal grant to fund a community-led design of the redesign. We are grateful for the steadfast support from Senator Craig Zucker and our State Delegates!
- 3. Light Post Restoration and LED Upgrades: The Town's light posts need a facelift! We are diligently working to restore the light poles, giving them a fresh coat of paint and upgrading to energy-efficient LED streetlights. The lights will look the same, but they will be more efficient and consistent. This initiative will not only enhance aesthetics but also promote sustainability.
- 4. **New Overhead LED Street Lights through PEPCO**: Collaborating with PEPCO, we are initiating the installation of new overhead LED streetlights that are designed for historic districts such as ours.

We invite all residents to actively participate and stay informed by attending our Commissioner Meetings. Your engagement is invaluable, and your insights are essential as we continue to shape the future of our historic Town.

Together, let's preserve our heritage and elevate the beauty of Brookeville.

Sincerely, The Brookeville Town Commissioners (Garrett Anderson, Mark Davis, and Dan Ennis)

Mark Your Calendars

Town Picnic Sunday, October 22, 2023 3:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Planning Commission Meeting Tuesday, November 7, 2023 7:30 pm via Zoom

Commissioners Meeting

Monday, November 13, 2023 7:30 pm via Zoom

Holiday Party

Sunday, December 3, 2023 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm Brookeville Academy

Planning Commission Meeting

Tuesday, December 5, 2023 7:30 pm via Zoom

Commissioners Meeting Monday, Decembre 11, 2023

7:30 pm via Zoom

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

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Halloween is just around the corner. Less traffic makes our streets safer and presents a delightful and cozy opportunity for a Brookeville Halloween Event on Saturday, October 28.

MALLOWEEN

Let's transform our streets into a Halloween haunt, light up our fire pits, and encourage our children (and those of you children at heart) to embrace the spirit of Halloween right here at home on Saturday, October 28! If this sounds good, please decorate as much or as little as you would like and keep your porch light on at dusk to let people know you're "open for business!"

We look forward to seeing you and your little ghouls and goblins on October 28 for Brookeville's Halloween Celebration!

Rescheduled: Town Picnic

Sunday, October 22, 2023 3:00 pm – 7:00 pm Brookeville Academy Lawn

Live musical performance by The Fire Hazards Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream Truck 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm

New This Year: Open Mic: Brookeville has a lot of talented musicians. Come show off your musical talents at the picnic! 1st Annual Holy Smokes BBQ Contest: Cash prizes and bragging rights are up for grabs when you bring your best-smoked dish. Please have your entry at the Academy by 3:30 pm.

The Town will provide: Burgers (beef and veggie) Hot dogs Soft drinks

What to bring: Potluck dish/dessert to share BYOB (beer/wine) Join Us

Celebration!

Sunday, December 3, 2023 3:00 pm – 6:00 pm Brookeville Academy

Holiday Party

Holiday Brunch

The Town will be hosting a family-friendly Holiday Brunch. Plenty of holiday-themed craft activities will keep the kids entertained while the adults can relax and socialize with the neighbors.

Come to enjoy food and the company of your neighbors.

Traffic Concerns

We want to address a growing concern among many town residents about excessive speeding and a lack of stop sign adherence. As the Bypass has halted through traffic, there is more foot traffic and outdoor activities with children taking place in and around town. We have also observed a dramatic increase in vehicles speeding and ignoring stop signs, specifically surrounding the town's main intersection. Our small town is a place where everyone should feel safe as pedestrians, and we implore all residents to drive responsibly, obey posted speed limits, and come to a complete stop at stop signs. Protecting our community is a shared responsibility, and by working together to address these issues, we can ensure a safer and more pleasant environment for all. Please spread the word within your household of our growing concern.

Please stay safe and look out for one another. Thank You, The Brookeville Town Commissioners

Upcoming Community Events



Sunday, October 15, 2023 1:00 p.m. Outdoors - rain or shine Salem United Methodist Church 12 High Street, Brookeville

This free community event will be held rain or shine to bless the bond between animals and their humans. All animals, including dogs, cats, rabbits, birds, fish, and farm animals, are welcome but must be leashed or in pet carriers.

Visit www.salemunitedmethodist.org or call 301-774-7772.

COMMUNITY YARD SALE

Salem United Methodist Church Saturday, November 11, 2023 7:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Rain or Shine Tables available to rent - \$20

Decluttering before the Holidays?

Donate your unwanted items to SUMC. Drop off items you're donating to benefit SUMC (thank you) at the garage in the back of the church on the following dates: Sunday, October 29, 10:30 a.m. (after church) Wednesday, November 1, 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 7, 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Prefer to sell your items at the Yard Sale? Consider renting a table for \$20. Please email <u>clerk@townofbrookevillemd.org</u> to reserve your table.

Dumpster for Bulk Trash

November 8-15,2023

New Location Salem United Methodist Church Parking Lot

What items are not accepted in bulk trash?

- Propane Tanks
- Uncovered glass mirrors/table tops
- Debris generated from major construction, remodelings, 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

Report a Streetlight Outage

The Town of Brookeville or Pepco maintains the streetlights within the Town's municipal boundaries.

Pepco streetlights are mounted on wooden utility poles and are owned and maintained by Pepco. Please report a Pepco streetlight outage directly to Pepco by calling the 24-Hour Outage Report Line - 1-877- PEPCO-62 (1-877-737-2662) or online: <u>https://pepco.streetlightoutages.com</u>

The Town owns and maintains several cast-iron streetlights and three wooden ornamental streetlights. These ornamental streetlights do not have pole numbers. If you notice an ornamental streetlight that is out, please report the location to property@townofbrookevillemd.org

Example of the new overhead LED Pepco streetlights

Teardrop Style Overhead Fed Style

Description: Period style luminaire serving urban applications with higher mounting heights. Has options for wider area coverage or for roadway applications.



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The Comprehensive Plan for the Town of Brookeville can be viewed and downloaded from the Town's website.