BBLA Beach News

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ACTION NEEDED

- Be sure to <u>renew your BBLA Membership</u> ASAP! (see more info below)
- Plan to be in Town for a BBLA Membership Evening at Bethany Blues - Thursday, April 20, 2023 planning is underway - watch for FLYER next month



BBLA Board keeping members informed through ongoing communications with Town Officials and reporting on meetings affecting Bethany Beach

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Around Town





Announcement of Town's <u>Proposed</u> <u>Budget for 2024</u>

- Public Hearing on Monday, March 13th
- Fiscal Year 2024 begins on April 1, 2023

BBLA Board Members Working for You:





A Big thanks from the BBLA Board to members who have renewed!

For those who haven't, <u>PLEASE</u>
<u>RENEW TODAY</u> to continue
receiving BBLA benefits - like
the *BBLA Beach News* and
the *BBLA Newsletter* - as well as

Here are some highlights:

- due to increase in summer season costs in recent years proposed increase in parking fees and parking ticket fines
- first time in 4 yrs for a proposed increase in property tax rate proposed 3% increase will cost most property owners less than \$23 more/yr
- proposal to eliminate \$0.25 trolley fee

Town Council
Decision Made on the
Creation of a
Continuous and
Connected Pedestrian Pathway
on Collins Street, Kent Avenue
and Wellington Parkway

- original unanimous vote to proceed with the project made in 2019
- modifications made for pathway connectivity, traffic calming & enhancing safety for pedestrians & bicyclists
- unanimous vote to proceed recorded at 2/17/23 Town Council mtg - <u>View</u> <u>Proceedings</u>, including public input, for detailed information

Fire &
Ice
Weeken
d: Big
Hit in
Bethany



Beach

ADVOCACY on issues important for protecting property values



Continued BBLA Board Monitoring on Use of Pervious Materials throughout Town

Because pervious materials allow for the passage of water into the underlying soil, Board Members conducted an informal survey on driveway surfaces and provided the results to the Town.

BBLA is pleased to report the Town has passed two ordinances which will improve standing water issues. They are:

- ORDINANCE TO AMEND
 SECTION 425-2 OF THE
 BETHANY BEACH TOWN
 CODE provides definitions
 to Ground Covering; Natural
 Area; and Non-Pervious
 Materials; and Pervious
 Materials
- ORDINANCE TO AMEND
 SECTION 425-27 OF THE
 BETHANY BEACH TOWN
 CODE provides the
 particulars for promoting
 effective storm water
 management on residential lots
 by limiting runoff directly into
 streets and providing for more
 absorption and filtering of
 storm water within property
 boundaries ...

BBLA Donation Dollars at Work: The DE Center for Inland Bays Winter Lecture Series









Excellent Musical Journey Through Tin Pan Alley by "Notes on the Beach" held 2/15/23

Enjoy More Winter & Spring Cultural Events -Check <u>HERE</u> for more Info on future events

• 3/15 Program: A Culinary History of Southern





Experts provided in-depth information at the South Coastal Library last month -

Next lecture on 3/7 at the Lewes Public Library - TOPIC: The Buzz on Native Plants and Pollinators Registration Necessary



Who Resided in the Bethany Beach Area Long Before Delaware Became the First State?



Nanticoke Indians are native to the geographic area now included in the

Delaware by author Denise Clemons





State of Delaware. In the Algonquian language family, "Nanticoke," translated from the original Nantaquak, means "the tidewater people" or "people of the tidewaters."

Click <u>HERE</u> to read more.

BBLA: An Association for All Bethany Beach, DE Property Owners