

NBVFD IS SEEKING VOLUNTEERS



North Beach Volunteer Fire Department is seeking new volunteers of all ages. Now is the time to become an important part of our community...YOUR COMMUNITY! As a volunteer, you will learn skills that prepare you to help members of your community when they need it the most. Think about how rewarding it will be to offer aid to those who call upon you. Training and gear provided. Inquire at the firehouse located at 8536 Bayside Road Chesapeake Beach or www.northbeachfire.com.

DON'T BE A LITTERBUG



Stop litter before it happens by holding on to your trash until you can dispose of it properly. It's that simple! And, did you know that the filters on cigarettes are made of cellulose acetate, a form of plastic that is slow to degrade in the environment? A typical cigarette butt can take anywhere from 18 months to 10 years to decompose, depending on conditions. No butts about it; don't litter!

TEXT NOTIFICATIONS



To receive text messages about things that may impact you as a resident, follow these simple instructions:

- VIA TEXT. In your phone, enter 30890 as the phone number you want to send a text to, and enter the words **join northbeachalerts** in the message area, then hit send.
- ONLINE SIGNUP. From the homepage of the town's website, click on **Subscribe to Text Notifications** and follow the steps to add contact details.

Some examples of text notifications are road closures, water shut off for repair, water and sewer payment reminders, hydrant flushing and meeting announcements.

SUBSCRIBE TO E-NEWS



Residents can subscribe to receive informational emails by visiting the town website homepage / **Subscribe to News** link. Choose the topic(s) on which you would like to receive emails. After entering your email address and submitting your request, look in your email box for a confirmation email (this might be hidden in your Junk or Spam Folder). Reply to that email to start receiving town emails.



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RESIDENT GUIDE

Town of North Beach, Maryland 20714

North Beach

Welcome to the neighborhood!

Please use this as a how-to guide and to learn more about some of the resources and services that are available to you as a North Beach resident.

#northbeachmd #livenorthbeachmd

Contact Us



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Website
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Normal Business Hours
8:30 am to 4:30 pm



Town Hall
8916 Chesapeake Avenue

Sign up for
email & text
notifications
to stay
informed!

WHEN THE LEAVES START TO FALL



Fall means beautiful foliage colors, but with this comes falling leaves. Please bag or haul away all leaves and yard debris. This will keep debris out of the storm drain collection system and ensure the water flows properly. Once leaves and debris enter the underground piping system, it is very difficult and expensive to remove this type of material. Bagged leaves can be placed with household trash for pick up on Mondays and Fridays.

REGULAR TRASH, RECYCLABLES & BULK PICK-UP



All regular trash/recyclables/bulk must be curbside by 6 am. **Regular trash** must be placed in secured plastic bags and placed in trash cans WITH A LID; it is collected on Monday/Friday of each week. Promptly put away empty cans after trash is collected. **Recyclables** must be in a container clearly marked "recycling." **Bulk trash** is picked up monthly, by appointment only. Call Town Hall by the Friday prior to the pickup date to schedule for your bulk trash pickup. The full schedule is available on the town website. *Christmas trees may be placed with regular trash for the months of January and February, and with bulk for the month of February.*

TOILET TALK



Whether you call it a potty, commode, or a porcelain throne ... we need to talk about it for a minute! The town's sewer system gets clogged with items like baby wipes, disposable diapers, hand towels and hair extensions. Yes, you heard me right...HAIR EXTENSIONS! NONE of these things should ever be flushed! Even if that product label says it is "flushable," don't do it! Throw it in the trash! All joking aside, the ONLY things that should be flushed down the toilet are urine, feces and toilet paper.

SCOOP THE POOP: STOP POINTLESS POO-LLUTION



Pets must be leashed and cleaned up after. There are ample trash receptacles and "mutt mitt" stations around town for your use. When you fail to pick up after your pooch, you may be doing more than upsetting the residents and guests to our town. A quick rain shower is all it takes to transfer dog droppings from the ground and into the Chesapeake Bay. Thank you for cleaning up after your pet!

HOW TO PAY YOUR WATER & SEWER BILL



1. **Pay online** on the town website. This allows you to view history, billings and payments. There is a \$3 processing fee for this service. You must register.
2. **Drop box** located on the left outside wall of the Town Hall entrance.
3. Use the enclosed remittance envelope provided in your quarterly bill to mail via **USPS mail**.
4. Pay by **credit card** by calling Town Hall and providing your credit card. There is a \$2 fee for this service.
5. **In person** at the Town Hall M-F, 8:30am to 4:30pm. Town Hall no longer accepts cash. If paying in person, please use a personal check, cashier's check or credit card.

WATER & SEWER RATES



The gradual change in rates is to promote conservation and to achieve a rate structure similar to what Calvert County uses. The following three areas were pertinent to this decision: balancing the budget (no increase in water/sewer rates since 2007), conservation of water (significant growth resulting in increased water usage), equitable rate structure (distribute the cost of operating the utility based on actual usage). *For a complete explanation and to view the 2020 Water and Sewer rates, go to the Treasurer's page on the town website.*

HEALTHY HOMES PROGRAM



The Town of North Beach is leading the way toward sustainability in Calvert County by providing grant funds to residents to save energy with free energy upgrades to eligible homeowners. Visit the town website for more details.

NO GREASE IN THE SINK



Grease is a culprit that causes blocked sewer pipes. Never pour grease in your sink drain. When grease washes down the sink, it sticks to the insides of the pipes that connect your home to the town's sewer. It also coats the insides of the town's sewer pipes. Eventually, the grease will build up and can completely block sewer pipes which can create difficult and expensive maintenance problems for both the town and private property owners. To prevent sewer backups and blockages, please be mindful of what items you are flushing down your toilets and pouring into your sink drains!