

IMPORTANT CONTACT INFO

TOWN OFFICE

(302) 424-7659 - leave message

townofslaughterbeach@comcast.net

The unstaffed office is located on the second floor of the Fire Hall.

STATE POLICE - non-emergency

(302) 855-2980 or

(302) 644-5020

Our town falls under the jurisdiction of DE State Police Troop 7 in Lewes, DE.

TOWN GOVERNMENT

Slaughter Beach is governed by an five member elected town council. Town Council meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of each month at the Fire Hall on the 2nd floor. Elections are held annually, if needed.

KEEPING UP-TO-DATE

If you would like to receive emergency information, annual newsletters, and public notices in a timely fashion, please e-mail slaughterbeachsignup@comcast.net. Provide your name, street address, telephone number and e-mail address.

Please Note: For more information regarding our town please go to our town website

www.slaughterbeach.delaware.gov

HOSPITALS

MILFORD MEMORIAL - Milford (12 miles)

21 W. Clarke Avenue

(302) 422-3311

BEEBE HOSPITAL - Lewes (19 miles)

424 Savannah Road

(302) 645-3300

KENT GENERAL - Dover (25 miles)

640 S. State Street

(302) 674-4700

SUSSEX COUNTY 911 PHONE REGISTRATION

Please register your phone number to help emergency crews respond efficiently.

(302) 855-7801

DUPONT NATURE CENTER

2992 Lighthouse Road

(302) 422-1329

WEBSITES

State of Delaware www.delaware.gov

Sussex County www.sussexcountyde.gov

DNREC www.dnrec.delaware.gov

Fish & Wildlife Enforcement 24 hr. hotline

(800) 523-3336

Recreational Water Quality Hotline

(800) 922-WAVE

Evacuation Info - DEMA - www.dema.delaware.gov

Mammal/Animal Stranding (MERR)

www.merrinstitute.org

(302) 228-5029

Animal Control

(302) 698-3006

WELCOME

to

SLAUGHTER BEACH

Pop. 205

Est. 1681

Inc. 1931

Horseshoe Crab Sanctuary 2004
Certified Wildlife Habitat Community 2015



We are a small coastal community with great pride and love for our surroundings. There is a laid-back feel to living here. Kids play outside, neighbors wave to each other plus the love of the water and unspoiled nature draws and keeps us here. Each season brings its own surprises, from snowy owl sightings in winter to horseshoe crab spawning and dolphins in late spring and summer.

We hope you enjoy and nurture our town and all of its inhabitants as the rest of us do.

TOWN CONTACT INFO

SCHOOL DISTRICT

Milford School District
906 Lakeview Ave
(302) 422-1600

TRASH PICK UP - see website for more info

Mondays - usually early AM

Recyclables - every other Monday early AM

ZONING CODE OFFICIAL/ FLOODPLAIN ADMINISTRATOR

(contact before starting **any** construction)
Bob Clendaniel
(302) 270-0687
zoningofficial@slaughterbeachde.com

SLAUGHTER BEACH WATER CO.

(302) 422-2293

TAX COLLECTOR

Angela Tibbitt (302) 424-1127
taxcollector@slaughterbeachde.com

TOWN CLERK

Kathy McFadden (302) 424-7659
townclerk@slaughterbeachde.com

VOLUNTEER MEMORIAL FIRE CO

(302) 422-8888 (non-emergency)

DELMARVA POWER

(800) 898-8045 - Customer Service
(800) 898-8042 - Power Outage

COMCAST

(800) 266-2278

OUR ENVIRONMENT

As a coastal community we have “visitors” that not all communities get to enjoy. Winter brings **Canada and snow geese** and the occasional **tundra swan**. In recent winters, a **snowy owl** has been gracing our town with its presence. The warming days of April give the baby **diamondback terrapins** a reason to emerge from the sandy beach and make their way to the marsh. Please, if you see these babies in the yard or on the street, move them to the safety of the marsh. If you happen across an adult terrapin, you can help it cross the road in the direction it was heading. May and June delight us with the spawning season of the **horseshoe crab**. These creatures are our mascot. They may look menacing but they are docile creatures. If you see one on its back, gently flip it over, but not by its tail. Shorebirds flock to the area, especially **red knots** to feast and fatten up on the horseshoe crab eggs. The **purple martins** and **hummingbirds** are back in full force. **Dolphins and cownose rays** frolic offshore during the summer months. Fall shows us the migration of the **monarch butterflies** across the bay. Slaughter Beach is a Certified Wildlife Habitat as of May of 2015, and we are beginning to naturalize our surroundings to help the monarch population, and other wildlife, grow and thrive.

...**A man knows that the world is not given by his fathers, but borrowed from his children...**

Wendell Berry 1971

GUIDELINES FOR SAFE FUN

Please watch our children, we have many, but can't spare any.

The speed limit through town is 25 mph, until you get to the north end where it increases to 35 mph.

SWIMMING

Swim with other people - at your own risk - since there are no lifeguards.

BOATING

Boat a safe distance from shore. Consider water depth particularly at the north end of the beach and during low tide.

JET SKIS

Ride jet skis a minimum of 100 feet from shore, swimmers, non-motorized boats, and anchored boats.

PETS

Keep your dogs leashed and under your control. Remove pet waste and dispose of properly.

BONFIRES

When building a bonfire consider wind force and direction along with possible burn bans. Keep fire pits below dunes and at least 50 feet from the nearest dune grass or other vegetation. Extinguish fully by covering with sand before leaving.

DUNES

Enjoy strolling the beach looking for special treasures but please stay off the dunes/beach grass as they are fragile and are the first line of protection from flooding.