

Town Manager Brief – February 2024

TOWN OF LONGBOAT KEY

Breezin' into February...

Breeze OnDemand Transit – finally here! On January 29th Breeze OnDemand went into service as a whole-island single transit solution! For the very first time, an on-demand service that runs from Coquina Beach/Manatee transit stop to the downtown Sarasota Breeze transit location and anywhere in between! Think of it like an Uber, complete with an app to schedule rides, or book by phone. Create your Breeze OnDemand Account at www.scgov.net/breeze or by calling 941-300-1553. Scan the QR Code, Download the App, and start riding! It's a Breeze ♥ Check out the Tip Talk video by clicking here with Jane Grogg, Director, Sarasota County Breeze Transit!

Citizens Satisfaction Survey ends February 10th. If you haven't already, please provide feedback to the Town's Commission and Administration on specific quality of life issues as well as your opinions on services and priorities through our online survey. Each owner was sent a letter including a unique identifier code, along with a set of instructions. February 10th is the deadline! If you did not receive yours or need information call 941-281-4985 today! Sarasota County will be hosting a public input meeting regarding a planned Sarasota Co Library on Longboat Key! The meeting will be held at Town Hall on Monday, February 12, at 1:30pm to talk about what the

community envisions for the planned Library for the Town Center. Hope to see you at Longboat Key Town Hall! In the meantime, we have the Sarasota County Pop Up Library remains available on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm (February 6th & 20th) in the back parking lot of Town Hall.

On February 14 happy couples can Say "I Do" Again at the Town Center Green on Longboat Key! Couples can register for a free non-denominational vow renewal ceremony, officiated by Senior Federal Judge Jay Plager. The ceremony begins promptly at 4:30 pm. The event includes a certificate & flower, light refreshments, music and photo opportunity. Pre-registration is required before February 9, 2024 – call Town Hall at 941-316-1999 to register.

Savor the Sounds Concert Series is Back for the 2024 Season! Saturday, February 17 enjoy soulRcoaster; and Saturday, March 16 features YESTERDAZE! Gates open at 4:30 with live music by Mike Sales and then the band kicks off at 5:30. Advance Ticket Sales Monday-Friday 9am-5pm at the LBK Chamber Office, 5390 Gulf of Mexico Drive, Suite 102. For information call 941-383-2466. VIP tables w chairs available by advance purchase only.

Bayfront Park Dog Park – K9Grass Artificial Turf Project. Calling all Dog Lovers! A generous donation funded a pilot project to install K9Grass artificial turf in 75% of the large dog park. The grass is so popular with dogs, residents and guests that the Town has em"bark"ed on a fundraising campaign to complete the last 25% of the large dog park, and completely cover the small dog park with the same product. It creates a cleaner, and better smelling space for dogs and their people! Our goal of \$175,000 will fund full conversion of both dog parks! Donations are being accepted through the Longboat Key Foundation, PO Box 8297, LBK, FL 34228 or www.lbKFoundation.org. **Tennis Courts striping for Pickleball play at Bayfront Park** coming in early February

Household Hazardous Waste and E-Scrap collection will be held on Saturday February 3, 3034 from 8am-12pm, 1699 Morrill Street, Sarasota, FL 34236. This is a drive-through event where you remain in your vehicle. Residents of Longboat Key form both Sarasota and Manatee Co sides of the island are welcome. On Saturday, February 17 from 9am-3pm at the Manatee HHW Building 3333 Lena Road Landfill, Bradenton, 34211.

FDOT Crosswalk work continues on Longboat Key. FDOT is under construction of their crosswalk safety upgrade project. Included are Country Club Shores mid-block pedestrian crossing; Bayfront Park mid-block pedestrian crossing; near Banyan Bay Club; near Companion Way; and South of Broadway Street. The work is planned for February & March and will be conducted Sunday-Thursday with nighttime single-lane closures from 8pm-5am to avoid peak season traffic disruption.

Upcoming Public Meetings/Events

•	February 5, 2024	1:00 pm	Town Commission Regular Meeting
•	February 12, 2024	1:30 pm	Sarasota Co//LBK Library Public Input/Workshop Meeting
•	February 13, 2024	9:15 am	Planning & Zoning Board
•	February 14, 2024	10:00 am	Special Magistrate
•	February 15, 2024	9:30 am	Zoning Board of Adjustment
•	February 16, 2024	9:00 am	Consolidated Retirement System Board of Trustees Meeting
•	February 20, 2024	1:00 pm	Town Commission Regular Workshop