



# BELLEFONTE TOWN COMMISSION

901A ROSEDALE AVENUE, BELLEFONTE DE 19809

December 2022

Re: Parcel number [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

Happy New Year neighbor! On behalf of the Town of Bellefonte, we bring you greetings and well wishes for a happy and healthy New Year!

We are writing to you to ask you to join us – as part of Bellefonte!

In 2019, the Town of Bellefonte Comprehensive Development Plan, adopted by the Town and approved by the State of Delaware, declared the Town's interest in annexing two neighboring subdivisions: 1) **Riverside Gardens** up to the middle of River Road and 2) **Phillips Heights** up to middle of Rodman Road.

Recently, the Bellefonte Town Commission passed a resolution to move forward with this annexation, which is intended to square off the Town's borders.



If annexation is completed in July as anticipated, your property will be inside the Town borders. Here's what that means:

- You will now pay Bellefonte Real Estate Taxes (average bill: \$300 per year). If you are able to deduct real estate taxes, these are deductible (consult your tax preparer)
- Residents of Bellefonte are provided residential trash, **recycling, and yardwaste collection**, so you can cancel your current contract once annexation is complete.
- Residents are provided snowplowing services (above 3" by current contract)
- If you sell your home, transfer taxes will be paid to Bellefonte instead of New Castle County.
- You'll get other services and benefits provided by Town government, like planning, zoning control, and community activities.

We are excited to have you join our Town and hope you are excited too! Once complete, our borders will be simpler, with Philadelphia Pike, Mt. Pleasant MS/Prospect Ave., River Road, and Rodman Road being our borders. Even more importantly, you most likely always considered yourself part of Bellefonte – and now it will be true!

Public hearings on this annexation will be held Monday, January 9, and Monday, February 14, 2023.

**We have provided a petition/feedback form for you, which you must return by February 28, 2023. If we DO NOT hear from you, we will assume you are agreeable. If you are NOT agreeable to this annexation, please complete the enclosed petition/feedback form and return to us by the deadline above.**

If you would like to learn more about this potential Annexation of the Town in general, you can read more information at [www.townofbellefonte.com](http://www.townofbellefonte.com).

We look forward to hearing from you!

Sincerely,

Jim Paradise, Chair  
Bellefonte Annexation Committee

☐ **Yes! I want to be part of the Town of Bellefonte**

☐ **No, I don't want to be annexed**

Reasons/Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Co-Owner: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

