

Beaufort Highlights

Town Manager's Work Program

Cedar Street Work Pervious Pavement

Work began on June 19 along Cedar Street by the Town of Beaufort's contractor, Sunland Builders, Inc. and has been proceeding at a sound pace. The placement of pervious concrete began during the week of July 3rd. Cedar Street from Turner to Pollock Street is closed. Sunland Builders will continue to maintain driveway access within the work zones; however, there will be a few times when a driveway needs to be closed for a short period.

Front & Queen Street Catch Basins

Area waterways were subjected to extreme high tide events over the July 1st weekend. Engineering staff observed the catch basins in proximity of the Front Street- Queen Street intersection to assess if the recently installed tide valve in the Queen Street outfall if it is operating as desired. Our observations indicated that the tide valve was operating properly as no street flooding was observed during the period. Researchers conducting the Sunny Day Flooding Project revealed that the sensor installed in the catch basin near the Front-Queen Street intersection confirmed staff's observations.

Front Street Dock Fuel Storage System

The Town received one Statement of Qualifications for the design-permit-build Front Street Dock fuel storage system on June 29. The project will be readvertised in accordance with statutory requirements. The new due date is currently slated for July 25.

Professional Park Area Stormwater Inventory & Flood Study

Statements of Qualifications for the Professional Park Drive Area Stormwater Inventory & Flood Study are due July. Twelve firms have expressed interest in this project.

Front Street Town Docks Bulkhead & Boardwalk Improvements Design

Statements of Qualifications for the Front Street Town Docks Bulkhead and Boardwalk Improvements Design are due July 27. To date, 10 firms have expressed an interest in the bulkhead and boardwalk project.

Wayfinding

Staff is finalizing sign proofs for the directional signage portion of this project. Signs will be installed in the coming weeks.

Ongoing Items of Business

- Wastewater Pump Station Improvements Project
- Comprehensive CAMA Land Use Plan
- Space Needs Study
- ARPA Funded Projects
- USDA Funded Utility Projects
- George Street & Fairview Drive
- UDO/160D
- Waterfront Asset Project
- Affordable Housing Projects
- High-Rate Infiltration Basin Project
- Dredging Projects

ELECTION/POLITICAL SIGNS

Election season is upon us and with that comes the plethora of campaign signs. Sometimes the sheer number signs in town can seem a little overwhelming. The ordinances below will help candidates, and citizens alike, understand election/political signage better.



- Political/Election signs are limited to 4ft. X 2 ft.
- Signs must be removed within 3 days following the certification of the election or conclusion of the campaign.
- No more than 1 sign per abutting street
- Shall be located so it doesn't substantially interfere with the view or vision necessary for a motorist to proceed safely through intersections or to enter onto or exit from streets or private roads.

Candidates must have authorization from private property owners prior to installing sign. For more information, contact Jeremy Ganey (j.ganey@beaufortnc.org) with the Planning & Inspections Department.



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Board of Commissioners' Upcoming Meetings

6 p.m. July 10 Regular Meeting

4 p.m. July 24 Work Session

For more information on
meeting dates and to view
agendas visit
[www.beaufortnc.org/
calendar](http://www.beaufortnc.org/calendar).

July Events

Olde Beaufort Farmers Market: Open every Saturday through the end of November from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. on the courthouse lawn.

Music in the Park: 5-8 p.m. Thursdays April through the end of October in John Newton Park

Chat with the Chief: 2 p.m. July 20

Upcoming King Tide Events

July 30–Aug. 3, 2023
Aug. 27–Sept. 4, 2023
Sept. 25–Oct. 4, 2023
Oct. 27–Nov. 1, 2023
Nov. 26–28, 2023

More Project Updates Available Online

Visit the "Mayor's Corner" and select
"Project Updates."

www.beaufortnc.org

Beaufort Emergency Alerts

Hurricane Season began June 1. Prepare now. Sign up to receive notifications directly from the Town.

For Full Registration:

Scan the QR Code and complete the



web form or visit www.beaufortnc.org and follow the registration links.

Text Alerts Only:

Sign up via text by texting "Join beaufortnc-alerts" to 31002 without the quotation marks.

The system will reply with an acknowledgement that you have signed up to receive notifications. Receive Emergency Alerts, Weather Alerts, Road Closure Alerts and more.



Public Utilities

Water & Sewer Sections

- Routine cleaning of the Town's sewer pump stations was performed.
- The pump at the Pine Street water treatment plant ceased operation during the week of July 3. Utilities staff determined the cause was a broken shaft after disassembling the pump and are awaiting the arrival of a service technician from the pump repair company.

WWTP Section

- Utilities staff replaced a chlorine feed line from the chemical building to chemical injection vault.
- Clarifier #1 ceased operation. The cause was determined to be faulty/deteriorated wiring. Accordingly, temporary wiring was installed so that the clarifier could be returned to operation until the permanent wiring can be placed by an electrical contractor.
- Luke Buracker began his employment as the Laboratory Technician on Monday, June 26.

Public Works

- Public Works staff scheduled a technician to visit the Town's splashpad due to the occurrence of several ongoing operational issues since its startup for the 2023 season. The technician found several items in need of repair and replacement. Several items were subsequently ordered with most having been received and installed by staff. Staff are still awaiting delivery of three replacement items. The dump bucket is now fully operational.
- Staff replaced several broken and cracked deck boards along the Front Street boardwalk and secured several loose boards.
- Public Works staff continued coordination of the work of a HVAC contractor to replace ductwork upstairs and a new system at Town Hall. Staff is completing touchup work.
- Staff continued to coordinate the work of an electrical contractor who placed conduits for the electrical generators at Town Hall and Public Works. The work was completed during the week of June 26. The arrival of the generators and their subsequent installation is an active project.
- Public Works staff continued to aid a claims adjuster for the repair of the Train Depot roof. A corner of the roof was struck while a delivery truck was making a delivery.
- Clearing and cleaning of various ditches across Town was completed.
- Normal services continued during the period to include trash collection, sweeping streets, building maintenance, grounds maintenance, janitorial services, park maintenance, street maintenance, stormwater maintenance, sidewalk maintenance, etc.

Planning & Inspections

- The planning department has issued the permit for the Compass Hotel and is awaiting the contractor to provide a timetable the proposed start and completion dates.
- Beaufort received news last week from the State Historic Preservation Office that we have been recognized again as a Certified Local Historic Government. This designation allows the Town to apply for grant funds for historic activities and projects.
- This week the Army Corps of Engineers will be in Town to conduct research for the Beaufort Harbor Environmental Assessment (EA). The assessment once completed, is to allow Corps to dredge portions of the harbor using their fleet. It is anticipated that the EA will be finished this fall allowing for possible dredging in the spring of 2024.

Police

- Staff met with the Beaufort Business Association on June 27 and provided them an update on parking.
- Chief Burdette will host the quarterly Chat with the Chief program at 2 p.m. Thursday, July 20 at the Train Depot. This will be livestreamed on the Town's Facebook page.

Fire

- Robert Smith has been busy as the new Fire Marshal and brought us safely through the 4th of July.
- New Fire Fighter Jeremy Pegg started with A-Shift and is busy learning the Beaufort Fire Department way.
- The new Engine/Pumper has been ordered and delivery is anticipated in the Spring of 2024.

Parks

- The Tennis and Basketball courts will be closed July 17-31. Both courts will be resurfaced and repaired. Pickle ball lines will be added to the tennis courts.
- Work on the boardwalk mural is scheduled to begin in mid-July.