Beaufort Highlights Town Manager's Work Program

USDA Funded Utility Projects

Sealed bids for the USDA-funded utilities project were opened on November 9. The results of the bidding are below along with the most recent engineer's estimate for the work and the USDA funding amount.

Contract 1, Wastewater Improvements

- Lowest bid at \$14,460,750 (1 bidder)
- Engineer's January 2023 estimate at \$9,841,442
- USDA funded amount (construction + contingency) of \$9,449,847.

Contract 2, Water Distribution System Improvements

- Lowest bid at \$6,928,934 (2 bidders)
- Engineer's January 2023 estimate at \$8,689,544
- USDA funded amount (construction+ contingency) of \$6,437,765.

Contract 3, Stormwater Collection System Improvements

- Lowest bid at \$4,695,901 (1 bidder)
- Engineer's January 2023 estimate at \$3,685,717
- USDA funded amount (construction+ contingency) of \$2,742,060.

Town staff is working with representatives from USDA due to the bids exceeding the funding amounts. Staff will report to the Board of Commissioners as those conversations develop.

Comprehensive CAMA Land Use Plan

The final public comment period for the Comprehensive CAMA Land Use Plan is open until December 7. The plan can be reviewed at www.beaufortnc.org/future. Comments are to be emailed to the Division of Coastal Management's District Planner, Rachel Love-Adrick at Rachel.love-adrick@ncdenr.gov.

Mayor's Conservation Program

During the November Art in the Park program at Louis Randolph Johnson Jr. Memorial Park, students from the Duke Marine Lab's Community Science Program led activities about storm drains. As a part of

As a part of the project, students from East Carteret High School painted a storm drain in front of the park on Carteret Avenue.



Students from the UNC Institute for Marine Sciences led activities around the Adopt a Drain Program. Learn more about the Adopt a Drain Program and how you can make a difference at https://sites.duke.edu/communityscience/. Learn more about the Mayor's Conservation Program under the Mayor's Corner tab at www.beaufortnc.org.

Ongoing Items of

Business

- Wastewater Pump Station Improvements Project
- ARPA Funded Projects
- George Street & Fairview Drive Project



- Dredging Projects
- Professional Park Area Stormwater Inventory & Flood Study
- Waterfront Improvement Project
- High Rate Infiltration Basin



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Board of Commissioners' Upcoming Meetings

6 p.m. Nov. 13 Regular Meeting

6 p.m. Dec. 11 Regular Meeting/ Organizational Meeting

4 p.m. Dec. 18 Work Session

November Events

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

Wobble Down Front Street 5K: 8 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 23

Santa Comes to Town: 11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 24—Santa will be in his house at John Newton Park Saturdays 11 a.m.-3 p.m. and Sundays 1-3 p.m. through Dec. 17.

Pancakes with Santa: 8 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 2

Christmas Parade: 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 2

Flotilla: 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 2

Art in the Park: 3-5 p.m. Dec. 6 at Louis Randolph Johnson Jr. Memorial Park, 1017 Pine Street.

Race to the North Pole: 10 a.m. Dec. 9

BHA Candlelight Tour: 5 p.m. Dec. 9

Upcoming King Tide Events Nov. 26–28, 2023

> **Town Hall Closed** Nov. 23 & 24, 2023

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More Project Updates Available Online Visit the "Mayor's Corner" and select "Project Updates." www.beaufortnc.org

Public Utilities

Water & Sewer Sections

- Repaired a water line leak in the 200 block of Live Oak Street.
- Repaired a force main rupture near sewer pump station #9 adjacent to the Piggly Wiggly parking lot.
- Staff replaced 20 feet of failed gravity sewer in the 300 block of Fulford Street.

Public Works

- Staff is continuing with the installation of wayfinding signage.
- Staff has replaced several broken and cracked deck boards along the Front Street boardwalk. This maintenance work has become a routine monthly task.
- Replaced the concrete surface removed by Duke Energy in the east parking lot. This was removed during a streetlight repair.
- A new mini-excavator was purchased and is now in operation.
- Hired a new technician. Two positions remain unfilled.
- Normal services were provided 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

- Staff met with the Army Corps of Engineers on Nov. 2. The Corps anticipates the dredge will be here in November or December. An update to the Harbor Environmental Assessment was also provided with a completion date of spring 2024.
- Town Staff and the Historic Commission Advisory Board will participate in a School of Government training session in New Bern on December 7.
- Town Staff submitted our Community Rating System annual report to FEMA and they have re-certified us for another year. This work equates to a 15% discount on Flood Insurance Polices in the Flood Hazard Areas for primary residences and a 5% discount on secondary structures.

Fire

Completed annual service and maintenance on Ladder 1.

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The Story of 20th Century Beaufort in the Voices of Those Who Lived It

- Conducted multiple Fire Prevention events with schools and community groups. Fire Prevention Month is always in October to remind us of the anniversary of the "Great Chicago Fire."
- Fire Department personnel completed annual EMT upgrade classes for the year.
- Worked with NC Emergency Management to complete installation of generators at Town Hall and Public works. The generators are part of a NC EM Hazard Mitigation Grant awarded to the Town after Hurricane Florence.
- Beaufort Firemen's Association is hosting Pancakes with Santa at 8 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 2, 2023 at Beaufort Fire Station #1, 506 Live Oak Street.





for a little Beaufort nostalgia on Thanksgiving night.

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Illuminate Beaufort

Bigger & Better in 2023. We are encouraging Our homeowners to light up Beaufort in their own Streets artistic styles so we may all enjoy the lights of the season. Walk, ride, or drive!

NOVEMBER SAT | NOV 18

9 am - 4 pm

10 am - 3 pm

Jumble Sale

Beaufort Historic Site beauforthistoricsite.org, 728-5225 **Pet Photos with Santa**

Pet Provisions, 1622 Live Oak Street Pet Provisions & Lions Club benefit for Leader Dog for the Blind. \$15 | 1 Dog, \$20 | 2 Dogs, 838-9286



Santa Arrives **by FIRE TRUCK!**

Beaufort Waterfront, John Newton Park

- SAT | NOV 25 Santa in his Workshop 11 am - 3 pm Downtown Beaufort, John Newton Park Small Business Saturday. **Shop Local Businesses Beaufort**
 - Santa in his Workshop 1 - 3 pm Downtown Beaufort, John Newton Park

DECEMBER

- Sing Along at the Christmas Tree FRI | DEC 1 **Beaufort Waterfront** 6 pm **Core Sound Waterfowl Weekend** FRI | DEC 1 thru SUN | DEC 3 Fri 6-10 (ticket event), Sat 9-6, Sun 9-4 Harkers Island SAT | DEC 2 **Pancakes with Santa** 8 - 10 am Fire Station, Live Oak Street 11 am **Beaufort Christmas Parade Beaufort Waterfront** Susan Sanders, 241-4485 Santa in his Workshop 11 am - 3 pm Downtown Beaufort, John Newton Park **Christmas Boat Flotilla** 6:15 pm **Beaufort Waterfront** Santa in his Workshop SUN | DEC 3
 - Downtown Beaufort, John Newton Park 1 - 3 pm



FRI | DEC 8

5 - 8 pm

NC Coastal Federation Oyster Roast Backstreet Pub, 728-7108 **Oysters, Live Music, & Libations**

Visit Santa

by Fire Truck

FRIDAY 11/24 at 11:00

SATURDAYS 11-3 **SUNDAYS 1-3**

SAT DEC 9	Santa in his Workshop
11 am - 3 pm	Downtown Beaufort, Jo
1 - 4 pm	Mattie King Davis Holi
	Art Show & Sale
	Beaufort Historical Site.
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Downtown Beaufort, John Newton Park Mattie King Davis Holiday Art Show & Sale Beaufort Historical Site. Jimmy Craig Womble, Lisa Tuchek, Mandy Johnson

1-4 pm **Beaufort Holiday Art Walk** beauforthistoricsite.org Candlelight Tour B&B's Homes & Inns 5 - 8 pm Tickets \$25. beauforthistoricsite.org

Annual John Costlow Train Show

728-5225

In memory of Doug Doubleday



3 Days, FREE FRI | DEC 15 4 - 7 pm SAT | DEC 16 10 am - 5 pm SUN | DEC 17 11 am - 4 pm **NC Maritime Museum**

315 Front Street

- **SUN | DEC 10** 1-3pm
- SAT | DEC 16 11 am - 3 pm 2 - 5 pm

 - 4 8 pm
- **SUN | DEC 17** 1-3 pm FRI | DEC 31
- 5-7 pm 7 pm

Santa in his Workshop Downtown Beaufort, John Newton Park Santa in his Workshop

Downtown Beaufort, John Newton Park **Claus Crawl**

- Home Base Backstreet Pub. Tickets \$25. nccoastchamber.com, 726-6350
- **Olde Fashioned Holiday Market County Courthouse, Turner Street** oldebeaufortfarmersmarket.org

Santa in his Workshop Downtown Beaufort, John Newton Park

Buccaneer's New Year's Eve Beaufort Waterfront, John Newton Park Free S'mores, hot cocoa, & pirate activities **Capt. Shack Pirate Drop** Beaufort Waterfront, John Newton Park

Beaufort Business Association www.VisitBeaufortNC.com