

Beaufort Highlights

Town Manager's Work Program

Cedar Street Work Pervious Pavement

The construction of the pervious concrete pavement parking lanes along Cedar Street was completed with all portions of the street being opened to traffic on September 6th. Town staff has been advised that NCDOT's paving contractor is slated to begin a resurfacing project in Morehead City around mid-September. The Cedar Street resurfacing work is anticipated to begin upon completion of the work in Morehead City.

Waterfront Improvement Project

Project scope and fee negotiations have been undertaken by staff with the engineering consulting firm of Moffatt & Nichol for the design of landside improvements along the Front Street waterfront. The firm was selected from among the firms that submitted Statements of Qualifications for the planned project by the selection committee consisting of the Harbor & Waterways Advisory Committee Chairman, the Town Manager, the Planning and Inspections Director, and the Town Engineer/Public Services Director.

Professional Park Area Stormwater Inventory & Flood Study

Project scope and fee negotiations have been begun by staff with the engineering consulting firm of W.K. Dickson for the Professional Park Drive Area Stormwater Inventory & Flood Study. The firm was selected from among seven engineering firms that submitted Statements of Qualifications for the planned project. The firm was selected after three firms were invited by the Town staff selection committee to make in-person presentations.

Water/Sewer Projects

Staff received an official letter from NCDEQ informing the Town of approval of a \$6.186M SRF Loan. The staff is currently reviewing the terms and conditions of the loan offer. Once a full review is completed, the staff will make a recommendation to the Board.



Mayor Sharon Harker and Town Manager Todd Clark visited the Beaufort Garden Club and President Rita Tomlinson presented them each with a personalized apron.



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Board of Commissioners' Upcoming Meetings

6 p.m. Sept. 11 Regular Meeting

4 p.m. Sept. 25 Work Session

6 p.m. Oct. 9 Regular Meeting

For more information on meeting dates and to view agendas visit www.beaufortnc.org/calendar.

September/October 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

Art in the Park: 3-5 p.m. Sept. 20 & Oct. 18 at Louis Randolph Johnson Jr. Memorial Park, 1017 Pine Street.

Coffee with a Cop: 8:30 a.m. Monday, Sept. 25 at the Beaufort Coffee Shop at Cru

Beaufort Pirate Invasion: Sept. 22-24 at Gallant's Channel

National Night Out: 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 3 at Beaufort Elementary School

ECHS Homecoming Parade: 4 p.m. Friday, Oct. 6 on Front Street

Seafood Festival: Oct. 6-8 in Morehead City

Candidate Forum: 6 p.m. Oct. 12 at the Train Depot—Event by the LWV & the Chamber

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
- High-Rate Infiltration Basin Project
- First Tryon will provide a presentation at the Board's September 25th Work Session

ELECTION/POLITICAL SIGNS

- 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 placed 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 a sign.

Water & Sewer Department

- A cloud based cellular supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) system continues to be installed at 20 of the Town's sewer pump stations.
- Staff continues to experience operational issues with the Vacuum-type sewer pump station located within the Beaufort Club subdivision. Staff have been able to manage the problems thereby keeping the station in compliance.
- The staff has experienced operational issues with the Wastewater Treatment Plant's internal SCADA System, such that many of the plants automated features are having to be performed manually. A full assessment of the SCADA System is being performed to determine what recommendations should be made to the Board to update the system.
- The Town's Wastewater Treatment Facility was inspected by the Department of Environmental Quality on September 26, 2023, and was found to be in compliance.

Public Works

- Public Works staff conducted storm water drainage work along First Street near Live Oak Street. The work included the conversion of a stormwater manhole to a drop inlet as well as removal of unneeded street pavement that is to be replaced with sod. Staff also determined that a hole in the bottom of an aging corrugated pipe was the cause of a sinkhole in the street. This repair will need to be conducted by a contractor due to the type, size and depth of the pipe.
- Repairs to the roof of the Train Depot have been completed.
- Staff also cleaned and washed the roof and exterior walls of the Train Depot.
- The installation of Wayfinding signage has begun. Poles have been ordered and installation will continue as the poles arrive.
- Staff continued to replace several broken and cracked deck boards along the Front Street boardwalk and secured several loose boards.
- Staff removed several dead trees located within the rights-of-way.

Planning & Inspections

- Dredging is scheduled to take place in October at Bulkhead Channel by the Corps of Engineers.
- At their September 18th meeting, the Planning Board will receive an update from the Town's legal council on 160-D Planning Statutes and the LDO.
- The CAMA Land Use Plan is scheduled for a public hearing during the October 9th Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting.

Police

- Coffee with a Cop is at 8:30 a.m. Monday, September 25th.
- Staff has begun planning for National Night Out, on the first Tuesday in October.
- Staff completed Sergeant Promotional process—Ofc. Bedsole was selected.

Parks/Events

- Art in the Park resumes on Wednesday, September 20th. The Title Wave Bookmobile, National Park Service and Maritime Museum of Beaufort will be joining Town park staff for these events. Art in the Park will be monthly through December. The program offers an after school program with an art project, games and snacks. The events are free of charge to all participants and all ages are welcomed. Program times are 3-5 p.m.

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