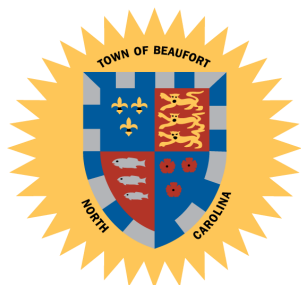


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Office Hours

8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Monday-Friday
Town Hall will be closed
Jan. 2 & Jan. 16



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Newsletter

Submissions:
Due 5 p.m. Dec. 15, 2022
Send to
Rachel Johnson, PIO at
r.johnson@beaufortnc.org

Happy New Year, Beaufort!

January brings the beginning of a new year. In 2022, we said farewell to former Commissioner Charles McDonald, my friend, a true leader, and a champion for the citizens of Beaufort. He will be missed but never forgotten. I was honored to meet many newcomers to our beautiful town and hear their stories about why they chose Beaufort. I was able to celebrate the retirement of our dear friend James Jones. He is more than the UPS man who delivers our packages; he is a friend to many. As much as I'm excited to enter 2023, it's important to recognize that we have achieved so much, but we are still a work in progress. The town has a fantastic staff invested in getting the work done for our citizens. I cannot find the words to capture how much I appreciate our team's hard work and dedication. This team is passionate about what they do and enjoys helping those they serve. I look forward to working with our Commissioners to continue our efforts in the new year. We are

excited to keep the momentum going with projects and events in the works.

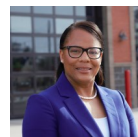
I also look forward to working with our residents. I believe residents provide a wealth of ideas and perspectives. Working in collaboration with the community is important for the Board of Commissioners and me as this year progresses.

So, please add volunteering to your list of new years resolutions!

Beaufort is a beautiful community because of the contributions of everyone who lives, works, and plays here, and I am very proud to represent this town we call home.

As I look ahead to this exciting year, I hope for all residents that 2023 is filled with opportunity and joy and that we can celebrate another year together in this beautiful city.

Thank you, and Happy New Year!



Sharon E. Harker
Mayor, Town of Beaufort, NC

VOLUNTEER BOARD VACANCIES

The Town is now accepting applications for the following Volunteer Boards and Commissions:

- Board of Adjustment- (2) ETJ Members
- Historic Preservation Commission- (2) In-Town Members
- Planning Board- (3) In-Town Members; (1) ETJ Member

This information is online at: <https://www.beaufortnc.org/bc>. The deadline to submit an application is Jan. 10, 2023.



Christmas trees are picked up annually by the Town of Beaufort Public Works Department. Please place your live Christmas trees curbside and separate from Yard Debris by 7 a.m. on Monday mornings during the month of January for pickup. Trees are taken to Atlantic Beach for the recycling program. The last day for pickup Monday, Jan. 30, 2023

January Town Meetings/Events

Meetings will be conducted in the Beaufort Train Depot, 614 Broad Street, Beaufort unless otherwise noted. Please visit the Town's website at www.beaufortnc.org/calendar for meeting agendas. Regular Meetings of the Board of Commissioners are livestreamed on the Town's Facebook page.

6 p.m. Jan. 3—Historic Preservation Commission
6:30 p.m. Jan. 5—Parks & Recreation Advisory Board
6 p.m. Jan. 9—Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting
6 p.m. Jan. 17—Planning Board
2 p.m. Jan. 18—Chat with the Chief
4 p.m. Jan. 23—Board of Commissioners Work Session
6 p.m. Jan. 23—Board of Adjustment

Sunshine List: Sign up for meeting notifications by emailing Town Clerk Elizabeth Lewis at e.lewis@beaufortnc.org.

Want to know more about what is going on around Town?

Visit www.beaufortnc.org for Project Updates and the Town Manager's Work Program. Both may be found inside the "Mayor's Corner."

Town of Beaufort Mayor and Board of Commissioners



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Mayor Pro Tem
John Hagle



Commissioner
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Board of Commissioners

The Board of Commissioners met on Nov. 28 and Dec. 12 for regularly scheduled meetings. They took the following actions and heard the following presentations:

- Adopted a resolution instructing the Town Clerk to investigate two Petitions for Voluntary Annexation of 180 & 190 Davis Bay Drive, submitted by Blue Treasure, LLC.
- Approved Nov. 14 and 28, 2022 meeting minutes.
- Approved Human Resources Amendments to Personnel Policy.
- Approved the Comprehensive & CAMA Land Use Plan (Draft version as of 11/22/22).
- Approved the Preliminary Plat- Beau Coast Phase 3.
- Approved FY 2023 Budget Amendment 5; regarding Oceanview Cemetery im-

provements.

- Approved the voluntary annexation of 185, 187 & 189 Freedom Park Road and 243 & 249 Leonda Drive.
 - Approved a Resolution of Intent to Amend the Charter of the Town of Beaufort, and the Town Code of Ordinances. In conjunction with adopting the resolution, the Board set a public hearing for Jan. 9, 2023, on the question of amending the Charter of the Town of Beaufort, any subsequent Amendments thereto, and the Town Code of Ordinances to change the term of the mayor from 2 to 4 years, pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §§ 160A-101 and 102, effective beginning with the 2023 mayoral election.
 - Tabled the Preliminary Plat for Davis Bay Subdivision.
- For more information contact Town Clerk Elizabeth Lewis at e.lewis@beaufortnc.org.

Historic Preservation Commission

The Historic Preservation Commission met Dec. 6 and discussed the following items:

Case #22-30 400 Front Street:

Signage: Request to install two 15.5 sq. ft. signs for Bimini Twist of 400 Front Street. One sign would be on the front and the other on the rear of the structure. Approved.

Case # 22-31 214 Orange Street: Accessory Structure:

Request to install new windows, a door and new paint to the rear accessory structure. Approved.

Case # 22-33 118 Orange Street: Accessory Structure:

Request to add a 285 sq. ft addition to the back of the existing 202 sq. ft. accessory structure with the replacement of the existing roof with a standing seam metal-mini batten 1" and replacing the siding of the structure with weather resistant and long-lasting cedar shake siding. Approved.

If you have any questions about Beaufort's Historic District, please contact Kyle Garner, Planning Director, at 252-728-2142 or at k.garner@beaufortnc.org

2023 Golf Cart Registration

Per the Town of Beaufort's golf cart ordinance, safety inspections and registration are required annually and are valid per the calendar year



in which they are registered (Jan. 1st- Dec. 31st). There is a \$75 registration fee at time of

registration or renewal. All golf carts must pass a safety inspection and be registered with the Town of Beaufort to be lawfully operated within the city limits. Golf cart safety inspections and registration are to be completed at the Beaufort Town Hall located at 701 Front Street. For more information, please call the Town of Beaufort Town Hall at (252) 728-2141 ext. 229.

NOTICE:

Planning & Inspections

The Town of Beaufort's Planning & Inspections department is currently working with Infovision Software to implement Evolve, an electronic permit and plan review software system. Evolve will allow staff to receive electronic permit applications and plans for review through an online, easy-to-use secure customer portal. Citizens can search for building permits and view permit information. Contractors and homeowners will be able to submit applications online, schedule and cancel inspections, view their application status, pay fees, view their plans and print their Certificate of Occupancy along with many other

features. The customer portal can be accessed from any device and used with any browser. Evolve will streamline the plan review and permit process by allowing Town staff to instantly access the application, plans and their workflow dashboard (to do list) from any device with internet access. Reviews are completed simultaneously by each department instead of waiting for paper plans to be routed which will speed up the review process. Plan review comments and notifications are automated. Other notifications such as power releases to the utility company are also automated and sent at the moment the inspection is approved. The software is anticipated to "Go Live" before spring 2023.

Planning Board

The Beaufort Planning Board met Nov. 21, 2022 and discussed the following items:

Case # 22-22 Preliminary Plat:

Davis Bay: Request to subdivide two tracts totaling 20.08 acres into 4 lots (These lots would be served by Phase 3 of the Beau Coast development). Staff suggested several conditions for the proposed subdivision if recommended for approval. Recommended denial because the proposed subdivision did not meet Town standards.

Case # 22-23 Preliminary Plat:

Beau Coast Phase III: Request to subdivide one tract totaling 27.64 acres into 48 lots. These are the last lots as part of the Beau Coast & Beaufort East Village Development needing preliminary plat approval. Recommended approval.

Case #22-24 Rezoning from R-20 to IW-457 Hwy. 101-

Request to s rezone 457 NC Highway 101 from R-20 to I-W for warehousing space. Tabled. If you have any questions please contact Kyle Garner, Planning Director, at 252-728-2142 or at k.garner@beaufortnc.org.

2023 Small Vessel/ Kayak Lottery

The Town of Beaufort will have a lottery for small vessel storage permits at 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 1, 2023. The lottery will be live streamed on the Town's Facebook page. All applica-

tions must be received by 5 p.m. Monday, Feb. 27, 2023 to be entered into the lottery. All

applications must be submitted electronically. If you need assistance, please email r.johnson@beaufortnc.org or call (252) 728-2141 ext. 231.

Trash/Recycling Service Questions

For information on signing up for service, changing current services and/or billing, please contact Town Hall at (252) 728-2141 ext. 229. The 2023 trash/recycling calendar is available online at www.beaufortnc.org under the Residential Trash Ser-

Bulk Item Pick-up

Please call Town Hall at (252) 728-2141 ext. 221 to schedule a bulk item pickup by 5 p.m. on Monday the week you would like pickup. Bulk item pickup is on Wednesday.

Street & Area Light Repairs

Reporting light requests is now easier with Duke Energy's Street & Area Light Repair tool. This tool allows you to contact Duke Energy to identify light issues and outages, request new light installations and receive updates on your repair's status.

Why use the tool?

To report a broken streetlight or fixture.

Beaufort Town Flags

Beaufort 3' x 5' flag (\$70) and 12" x 18" garden flags (\$30) for sale at Ace Hardware, 1511 Live Oak; Cous-



The rental rate for the 2023 lottery will be \$100. Applications are now being accepted for the 2023 lottery. Please read the rules and regulations carefully for both eligibility and vessel requirements.

Spaces will be assigned in the order selected during the lottery. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Rachel Johnson, Parks & Events Coordinator/PIO, at r.johnson@beaufortnc.org or call 728-2141 ext. 231. REMINDER: ALL VESSELS REGISTERED TO SPACES IN 2022 MUST BE REMOVED BY 1 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1, 2023.

Read the eligibility guidelines and apply under the "Residents" tab at www.beaufortnc.org.

vices tab or in Town Hall. During inclement weather your schedule may be altered. You can track inclement weather alerts online at www.gflenv.com. For more information or to report issues with pickup, please contact GFL at (252) 223-4176.


Pickups must be scheduled and items must be placed at the curb by 7 a.m. on Wednesday. There is a 75-lb weight limit. Contractor debris is not accepted.

To request a new light or LED lighting

To report a light that is too dim or too bright.

Please note: If the light you are reporting is creating a hazardous condition, you should call Duke Energy immediately at 800.769.3766 or call 911. Visit duke-energy.com/OutdoorLightingRepair to make a request, get repair notifications and check your repair status.

ins Bed & Breakfast, 305 Turner; First Citizens Bank, 1501 Live Oak; and online at www.BeaufortWomansClub.org. Proceeds benefit the community through the Beaufort Woman's Club.



Chat with the Chief

2 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 18, 2023

Chat with the Chief is an opportunity for citizens to engage with the Beaufort Police Chief Paul Burdette, Jr. to learn more about what is happening in the community, discuss neighborhood issues, identify problems, discuss police/community relations and to deepen community partnerships.

During the meeting, Chief Burdette will provide an in-depth look at data from the last quarter. He will share statistics and trends as well as information on the daily operations within the Beaufort Police Department.

Citizens and business owners are encouraged to submit questions in advance to r.johnson@beaufortnc.org or to ask them live during the meeting.

The meeting will be in person at the Beaufort Train Depot, 614 Broad Street, and broadcast Live on the Town of Beaufort Police Department's and the Town of Beaufort's Facebook pages.

Public Hearing Regarding Change to Mayoral Term

The Town of Beaufort Board of Commissioners will conduct a Public Hearing at 6 p.m. Jan. 9, 2023 on the question of amending the Charter of the Town of Beaufort, any subsequent amendments thereto, and the Town Code of Ordinances to change the term of the Mayor

from 2 to 4 years, pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §§ 160A-101 and 102, effective beginning with the 2023 mayoral election. The meeting will take place at the Train Depot, 614 Broad Street. For more information, please visit the Town website at: <https://www.beaufortnc.org/calendar> or contact the Town Clerk at 252-728-2141, ext. 233.

Beaufort Emergency Alerts

Sign up to receive Important Notifications and Emergency Alerts from the Town of Beaufort.

For Full Registration:

Scan the QR Code or online at



www.beaufortnc.org under the "Residents" tab.

Text Alerts Only:

Sign up via text by texting "Join beaufortnc-alerts" to 31002 without the quotation marks. Receive Emergency Alerts, Weather Alerts, Road Closure Alerts and more. You may opt into alerts that are of interest to you.

For more information on the Emergency Alert system, call (252) 528-8765.

Street Sweeping Schedule

The Town of Beaufort Public Works Department operates a street sweeper on a monthly basis. The street sweeper operates on Thursdays and Fridays during the third week of each month beginning at 6 a.m.

Thursdays:

- Mulberry Street south to Cedar and from Turner Street west to Live Oak
- Island View Drive
- Taylor Creek Drive
- Jefferson Street

- Legion Street
- 2nd Street
- Turner Creek Way
- Professional Park area if needed

Fridays:

- Cedar Street south to Front Street
- Hill Street east to Moore Street
- Live Oak if needed from Cedar Street to Highway 101

This schedule may be found under the Residents tab at www.beaufortnc.org.

Clam Chowder Cook Off

Join us 6 p.m. Jan. 20 at the Watercraft Center for the 12th Annual Clam Chowder Cook Off.



Taste delicious clam chowder and cornbread made by guest chefs and vote on your favorite

at this fundraiser for the North Carolina Maritime Museum.

Space is limited. Pre-Orders are highly recommended as this event always sells out. No limit to the number of tickets purchased although attendance to taste (and vote) is limited to 100 ticket holders.

Each ticket holder will be pro-

vided a tasting-sized portion of each of the chowders and a piece of each cornbread. Participants then vote by ballot for their favorite chowder and their favorite corn bread.

Tickets are \$40 for members and \$45 for non-members. Memberships start at just \$35. All proceeds go to the Friends for the benefit of the Maritime Museum.

Tickets are available online at <https://maritimefriends.org/product/clam-chowder-tickets/> calling 252.728.1638, or at the Port Of Call Museum Store.

Four volunteer guest cooks will participate with chowder and four with corn bread. Dianne's famous lemon cookies will also be available along with your ballot to vote for your favorite chowder and corn bread. Beer, wine and soda is included.



Queen Street Missionary Baptist Church Community Project

Please assist us in demolishing the remaining remnants of the Old Queen Street High School at 604 Mulberry Street. The project cost is approximately \$22,000.

Donations may be sent to Queen Street Missionary Baptist Church C/O Pastor William Ellison, 510 Queen Street, Beaufort, NC 28516 or call Pastor Ellison at (252) 728-4245 for more information. All donations and services are welcomed.

Plastic Free By the Sea Eco-Friendly Gift Giving

Plastic Free by the Sea
Let's Start 2023 Plastic Free!



Carry your reusable shopping bags to every store you enter. Bring a reusable bottle

filled with water when leaving the house, rather than buying bottled water.

Present your reusable mug/bottle when ordering a drink from a restaurant or cafe.

Bring reusable containers to restaurants to put leftovers in. Give up straws, especially plastic ones.

Refuse plastic utensils and condiment packets when ordering take-out.

If you eat take-out away from home, purchase a portable, reusable utensil set to use.

Buy loose produce rather than packaged, putting it into reusable produce bags.

Store leftovers and snacks in reusable containers rather than plastic zip bags.

BEAUFORT

Picture Show

The Beaufort Picture Show at Mill Space: We are pleased to offer these screenings back inside our ancestral home, Movies @ Mill Space. Purchase tickets and reserve your spot at beaufortpictureshow.org.

ALI & AVA—7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 14 Join us for our first in-person event of the new year. Ali and Ava, both lonely for different reasons, meet and sparks fly. Over a lunar month a deep connection begins to grow, despite the legacy of Ava's past relationship, and Ali's emotional turmoil at the breakdown of his marriage. PG-13 | 1hr, 35min | Drama | 2021 Admission: \$5

THE SMELL OF MONEY

7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 21
We are pleased to offer this screening in conjunction with the Coastal Carolina River-watch.

What is the price some pay for

the world's pork? North Carolina residents take on one of the world's most powerful companies in a fight for their rights to clean air, pure water, and a life free from the stench of pig feces.

1hr, 35min | Documentary | 2022 Free Admission (Donations Accepted!)

FILM CLUB!

7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 28
Join us as we kick off a new program at the Beaufort Picture Show, the BeauShow Film Club, where we'll preview (and maybe even judge) Beaufort Film Festival submissions! Let's watch previews, some shorts, some dramas, maybe some comedies, who knows. Either way, it'll be that rare chance to gather with friends (and maybe enemies) to consume some culture (and maybe some beer). It'll be fun, we promise. Free Admission (Donations Accepted!)

Neuse Pamlico Sound Women's Coalition

Neuse Pamlico Sound Women's Coalition, Inc. is looking for assistance in identifying patients in Carteret County that may be affected by Sickle Cell disease and have a financial need.

Our organization is composed of professional women who live in Carteret, Craven, Jones and Pamlico counties. We are a community service organization taking pride in support-

ing local families.

We have provided support by paying light bills, repairing cars, sending kids to camp and providing Christmas to children who are affected by Sickle Cell.

We are looking for a connection that will notify us when a patient in Carteret County has a need.

For more information, please have them contact (252) 422-2366 or (252) 229-8675.

Fats, Oils & Greases

Many overflows, or SSO's, are caused by the accumulations of fats, oils, and greases (FOG) in the wastewater collection system. While the

collection system is designed to handle and safely transport sanitary waste to the wastewater treatment plant, too much FOG placed into the system can cause clogs and result in an overflow, especially after high flow events such as heavy rains. Dumping fats and oils derived from animal and vegetable sources, includ-

ing meats, nuts, cereals, and beans, down any drain, in either a home or business, can cause a stoppage that forces raw, untreated waste to spill into our yards, streets, and streams. The Town has adopted a sanitary sewer ordinance in an attempt to reduce the frequency of grease-related overflows.



Fats, Oils & Grease Buildup



Do Not Pour Down the Drain!