

Award Winning Beaufort

Pelican Award. I am thrilled to announce that Beaufort has been awarded a 2021 NC Coastal Federation Pelican Award. This honor reflects our town's commitment to cleaning up and protecting our glorious coastal ecosystem. We have made great progress but we still have work to do. Our greatest thanks to all the partners who have supported these environmental efforts.

USCGC Glen Harris. I received the following from Steve Goodwin, "On August 6th of this year the Coast Guard will officially commission a new 154-foot fast response cutter named Glen Harris. The ceremony is scheduled to be held at Fort Macon. The vessel's homeport will be Manama, Bahrain, in the Arabian Gulf. The late Mr. Harris was born and raised in Stacy, but spent the majority of his life living on Ann Street, with his wife and two daughters." What a great tribute to a Beaufort resident!



Photo Credit: US Coast Guard

COVID-19. I really had hoped that we would be far enough along in recovery that we would not have to talk about the pandemic in this month's newsletter, but alas, we still have concerns. Throughout the pandemic, Dr. Rachel Noble from UNC has been collecting samples at the Beaufort Wastewater Treatment site to detect spikes in COVID-19 cases. During a two-week period in June, Dr. Noble's team identified increased concentrations of the virus. This may very well be associated with an increase in visitors but fortunately we have not seen a proportional increase in positive cases at the County Health Department and Carteret Health Care Hospital. The results of the sampling should be a reminder that we are not done with the pandemic yet.

- Mayor Everett S. (Rett) Newton

Find a COVID-19 Vaccine

Local health officials are urging all residents 12 years old and over who are not yet vaccinated to find a vaccine location near them. Safe and effective vaccines are widely available. Additionally, it is important for people who are not fully vaccinated to continue taking steps to prevent spread, including wearing a mask, practicing social distancing, and washing their hands frequently.

To find a vaccination location near you, please visit - <https://myspot.nc.gov/>.

To find a testing center if you are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 or think you may have been exposed to COVID-19, please visit - <https://covid19.ncdhhs.gov/about-covid-19/testing/find-my-testing-place>.

To see the most recent data and more information about the NC Wastewater Monitoring Network, please visit - <https://covid19.ncdhhs.gov/dashboard/wastewater-monitoring>.

**COVID-19
vaccines:
Safe,
effective,
free.**



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TAKE YOUR
SHOT.

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8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Monday-Friday

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The Very Best of Beaufort

Our Beaufort business community is amazing and goes above and beyond to support our town. Martha Barnes is a small business owner who has volunteered extensively as a tour guide on the Beaufort Historic Association double-decker bus, and she is a key leader in the Beaufort Women's Club, Beaufort Garden Club, and Sweet Potato Queens. She is kind, thoughtful, and elegant, and she truly loves Beaufort. As we approach the 4th of July, we should recognize that Martha has organized many of our Beaufort parades. Martha Barnes is a great example of the extraordinary contributions of our business community, and she clearly represents the very best of Beaufort.

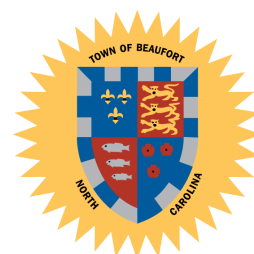


Newsletter Submissions:

Due July 20, 2021 at 5 p.m.

Send to

r.johnson@beaufortnc.org



Board of Commissioners Action List

◀Adopted the Town of Beaufort's FY2021-22 Annual Operating Budget, Capital Investment Plan (CIP), and Five-Year Financial Plan.

◀Approved two (2) Voluntary Annexation Requests - 186 Chadwick Road and 190 Chadwick Road.

◀Authorized the Town's Attorney to review the text amendment changes proposed by Stewart Consultants to meet the statutory changes per 160-D.

◀Approved the Site Plan for East Port II Apartments which will provide three multi-family buildings and contain 48 total units.

◀Approved an event request "Dining on the Docks - Sip & Stroll" from Beaufort Wine and Food to use the west parking lot and John Newton Park for a 2-day event (10/7 and 10/8).

◀Approved an event application from Beaufort Triathlon to hold their half triathlon on May 14, 2022.

◀Received an update from the

Historic Preservation Commission

The Town of Beaufort Historic Preservation Commission met June 1, 2021 and discussed the following items:

Case # 21-22: 510 Front Street - Signage - Black Sheep- Request from Jeff Adams of Black Sheep Restaurant on Front Street to replace the existing signs with two new signs (Beaudega at 16 sq. ft. and a Black Sheep at 12.25 sq. ft. for a total of 28.25 sq. ft. along Front Street.) Approved.

Case # 21-24: 113 Front Street - Addition & Outside Stairs - Request from George & Page Littlewood to create a cantilevered area of 18" on the west

Beaufort Garden Club Public Art Subcommittee on the public art display at Topsail Park.

◀Recognized the Beaufort Police Department for their exceptional efforts on successfully completing the North Carolina League of Municipalities (NCLM)'s Law Enforcement Risk Review.

◀Appointed Ian Huckabee to serve on the Town's Historic Preservation Commission (HPC).

◀Appointed eight individuals to serve on the Town's new Beaufort Harbor and Waterways Master Plan Advisory Committee (BHWMPAC)

◀Received the monthly financial reports and notes for May 2021.

◀Received an update from the Town Engineer on current/active Town Projects.

The action list above should not be considered official minutes. Please visit www.beaufortnc.org/meetings for current meeting agenda and minute information. Questions: Contact Town Clerk, Allen Coleman, at (252)728-2141, ext. 233 or a.coleman@beaufortnc.org.

side of the structure and install exterior stairs on the rear of the garage off Sunset Lane. Approved.

During the meeting the Commission stated their appreciation for Janet Woodward who served on the Historic Commission the past several years and recently resigned. The Board of Commissioners appointed Ian Huckabee to serve Woodward's remaining term.

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.

July Meetings

Presently, all Town board meetings are being conducted virtually. We anticipate returning to in-person meetings soon. Please visit the Town's website at www.beaufortnc.org/calendar for up-to-date meeting information. If you have any questions, please contact the Town Clerk, Allen Coleman, at 252-728-2141, ext. 233 or a.coleman@beaufortnc.org.



6 p.m. July 1—Parks & Recreation Advisory Board

6 p.m. July 6—Historic Preservation Commission

6 p.m. July 12—Board of Commissioners

6 p.m. July 19—Planning Board

4 p.m. July 26—Board of Commissioners Work Session

6 p.m. July 26—Board of Adjustment

4 p.m. July 27—CAMA/Comp Plan Steering Committee

Planning Board

The Planning Board met June 21, 2021 and discussed the following items:

Case # 21-11 Site Plan - Front Street Village - Transportation Center- Request to construct a 16,500 sq. ft. Transportation Center as approved as part of the original PUD approval in 2008. Elevation drawings for the center were approved in 2014 and were included as attachments in this proposal. Recommended approval with a 3-2 vote and requested the name be changed to a Transportation, Storage & Office Facility.

Case # 21-12 Preliminary Plat - Front Street Village - Phase IV- Request to subdivide a 10.44 acre tract into 34 Single-Family Residential lots. Unanimously recommended approval.

Case # 21-18 RZ 100 Fairview & 1310 Live Oak - B-1 to TCA - Request by The Cullipher Group, on behalf of Beaufort Properties - NM, LLC to rezone 100 Fairview Drive and 1310 Live Oak Street from B-1 General Business

to TCA Townhomes, Condominiums and Apartments. Unanimously recommended approval.

Case # 21-19 Final Plat- Palmetto Plantation @ OBV Phase 2 - Request to subdivide a 1.11 Acre Tract into 4 Lots Single-Family lots. Unanimously recommended approval.

Case # 21-20 Final Plat - Live Oak Commons - Request to subdivide a 1.28 acre tract into 8 single-family lots. Recommended approval with a 4-1 vote.

In other planning news: The Inspections Division issued 62 Building Permits and completed 263 inspections for the month of May. From July 2020 to May 2021 there were 693 building permits issued and 2,187 inspections completed.

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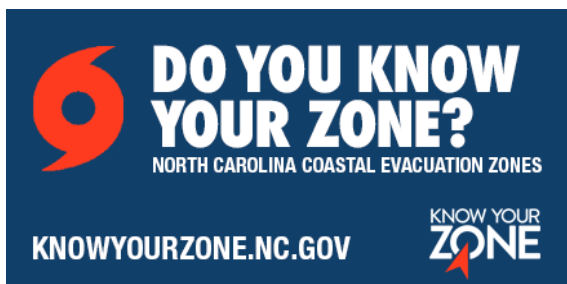
Pay to Park Season

The 2021 Pay to Park Season is May 24-Sept. 6, 2021. Parking rates are \$1/hour between 8 a.m.-5 p.m. except in the West/East parking lots which are at an escalating rate starting at \$1/hour. Passes available at Town Hall, pay at any of the 16 meter locations or use the Pay to Park app on your phone. For more information, visit www.beaufortnc.org/parking. Handicap parking is free at any parking location.



Flood Insurance

Just one inch of water in your home can cause up to \$25,000 in damage. Enter hurricane season with the peace of mind and protection that flood insurance can bring. To find out what type of flood insurance coverage is right for you, visit FloodSmart.gov/policy.



Chat with the Chief 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 20, 2021



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 virtual and broadcast Live on the Town of Beaufort Police Department's and the Town of Beaufort's Facebook pages.



Carteret County Public Libraries

Summer Reading Program

Tails and Tales, Carteret County Public Library System's 2021 Summer Reading Program, kicked off June 14. The Summer Reading Program offers engaging virtual events, "Grab and Go" activity kits, reading and activity challenges and prizes.

According to Carteret County Public Library System Director, Lesley Mason, students reading over summer break can help prevent the learning loss known as the "Summer Slide" and keeps kids on track for the upcoming school year.

"Summer slide is the loss of academic skills when school is not in session," Mason said. "It is largely attributed to a lack of reading during the summer months and this is critical since the effects of summer slide are cumulative. Libraries work hard to provide summer initiatives around reading."

During the nine-week program, the library is offering virtual programs for pre-K,

children, teens, and adults from a variety of performers. To view the full list of events and to register, visit <https://carteretcountync.libcal.com/calendar>. The summer program runs from June 14 through August 16 and like last year, this program will be virtual. All library system programs are free to the public.

In addition, each participant who completes the program and turns in a completed reading log, will be entered into a raffle for a prize pack. Every child and teen that finishes the program will be allowed to select a new paperback book.

The Carteret County Public Library System would like to thank the Friends of the Beaufort and Western Branches for their support of the 2021 Summer Reading Program.

To find out more about the Carteret County Public Library System's Tails and Tales Summer Reading Program, visit <https://carteretcountync.libguides.com>.

Randolph Johnson Park Dedication

11 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 7, 2021

Join the Town on Saturday, Aug. 7 for a special dedication of the newly renovated Randolph Johnson Memorial Park, 1017 Pine Street.

The celebration will feature several speakers, free food while supplies last and a splashdown! Come join the fun and celebrate.

Look for additional details on the Town website and on Facebook during the month of July.



BEAUFORT *Historical Association*

The Beaufort Historical Association is excited to welcome back their annual Summer Party 7-11 p.m. July 10 on the grounds of the Beaufort Historic Site at 130 Turner Street.

"Our Summer Party is slightly reimagined this year, but still with the same great food and drinks from Scarborough Fare Catering, and all our many friends that love this party!"

Executive Director Patricia Suggs said. "Not only will there be great food, but the party will also feature lively music and a silent auction."

"We are downsizing a little bit, so instead of a big traditional band we will have music by Blazin' Keys Entertainment, a high energy dueling piano trio," Public Relations Director Hannah Taylor said. "We are excited to welcome this group, we think it will make the party even more interactive with guests getting to request their own songs and watch this piano group duel it out!"

Back again this year will be the online silent auction. Over 100 different items will be available, thanks to donations from the many friends of the BHA. From fine art to vacation getaways and private air tours, this auction has something for every-

one!

"We are really fortunate to have such a supportive community," Taylor said. "The unique thing about the auction this year, is that all the proceeds will be going to our Old Jail restoration project. It's a very extensive and expensive project, but well worth it!"

The Old Jail c. 1829 is the second oldest jail in North Carolina, second to the Edenton jail built in 1825. For 125 years it remained the active jail for Carteret County. After talk of its demolition in the early 1960s, local commissioners and the newly formed Beaufort Historical Association knew it was worth saving.

In 1977 the Old Jail made the journey from Courthouse Square to the grounds of the Beaufort Historic Site. Since then, it has welcomed over 60,000 visitors, school groups, and daily tourists every year. The Association started their recent restoration of the jail at the end of 2020. It will focus on restoring the structural integrity of the jail and is set to conclude in the fall.

Auction items are now available for bidding at www.one.bidpal.net/bhasummerparty2021/. The silent auction is open to anyone anywhere! Tickets are \$100 and can be purchased, along with sponsorships, at www.beauforthistoricsite.org, by calling 252-728-5225, and or by visiting the Old Beaufort Shop at 130 Turner Street.

Open for the Season

The new splashpad at Randolph Johnson Park, 1017 Pine St., is open for the season. Hours are 8 a.m.-7 p.m. daily. The park is open from sunrise to sunset and features a large playground area and a picnic shelter area in addition to the splashpad.

All park facilities are available for use on a first come, first serve basis.

Parking is in the Pine Street parking lot with additional parking at the tennis courts.



Olde Beaufort Farmers' Market

Join the fun each Saturday this July at the Olde Beaufort Farmers' Market on the courthouse grounds. Vendors are offering nutritious locally grown veggies, meats, eggs, honey and other farm fresh products along with beautiful, quality artisan treasures under the oaks. Come enjoy a safe, comfortable, light-filled morning with the OBFM from 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

For weekly updates on vendors and special market days visit <https://www.oldebeaufortfarmersmarket.org/>

or follow the market on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/OldeBeaufortFarmersMarket>. The market is open every Saturday through November.



Donate Used Books to the Friends of the Library

The Friends of the Library is pleased to accept donations of used books to raise funds for the Beaufort branch library.

You can bring books on Tuesday mornings (9-10 a.m.). Go behind the library where the red Book Wagon is stored and stocked. If you have a large donation, contact Jane Burbella to arrange a drop-off or pick-up time—(252) 723-3132 or onetoread@gmail.com. If you have just a few books to donate, you can drop them off at the book Wagon on Saturdays at the Olde Beaufort Farmers' Market.



Veggie Van Mobile Farmers Market

Carteret Local Food Network is selling the freshest produce in Beaufort from our VEGGIE VAN every Wednesday from 2-4 p.m. at Beaufort Housing Authority Community Center, 407 Second Street, Beaufort. Grown on only Carteret County farms, Chef Caroline finds the freshest and healthiest veggies, fruits and eggs and helps families keep their local farmers in business. Free Recipes and SNAP clients get HALF OFF! Other locations during the week include Carteret Community College, Crystal Coast Apartments, and more. Visit our website at <https://www.carteretlocalfoodnetwork.org/veggie-van> for the full schedule or call (252) 777-2359 for more information.

Beaufort Town Flags

Beaufort 3' x 5' flag (\$70) and 12" x 18" garden flags (\$25) are for sale at Ace Hardware, 1511 Live Oak; Cousins Bed & Breakfast, 305 Turner; and First Citizens Bank, 1501 Live Oak. Proceeds benefit the community

News from the Beaufort Development Association

Summer is in full swing in case you haven't noticed and our shops and streets are in post covid exuberance. Family and friends are rediscovering joy in one another and our very special community. Beaufortnc.com is a resource for our community and others farther afield; please send comments, busi-

ness openings and newsworthy notes that may be included on the website and in the BDA newsletter to wendydauidson98@gmail.com. Enjoy our 4th of July Fireworks; thank you if you were able to contribute. Play safe and enjoy time with your family and friends. For information on the BDA, email wendydauidson98@gmail.com, find BDA on Facebook or visit beaufortnc.com.

Travel through history with your North Carolina History Museums

The North Carolina History Museums have joined together to create a fun-filled family adventure across the state and away from computer screens. And the North Carolina Maritime Museums are included in the stops.

The "Skip the Screen" initiative starts at ncmuseumofhistory.org/skip-the-screen. From there, you will get all the information and tools needed to explore and connect with family-friendly opportunities during July and August in one of three specific ways: Time Travel Ticket, Read through History and History Anywhere, Anytime.

Travel across the state and use the Time Travel Ticket to earn some rewards. To participate, print off a ticket or pick one up at participating museums: North Carolina Maritime Museum in Beaufort, North Carolina Maritime Museum at Southport, Graveyard of the Atlantic Museum in Hatteras, Mountain Gateway Museum in Old Forks, Museum of the Cape Fear in Fayetteville, North Carolina Museum of History in Raleigh and Museum of the Albemarle in Elizabeth City. When you visit a listed museum, complete the activity provided and collect the rewards. One museum visit and completed activity

wins a small souvenir, two different museums can win you a souvenir and a museum store discount on one item, and three or more visits to different museums win a souvenir and a museum store discount on your total purchase. Please note that discounts, which must be used on the day of the visit, are not applicable at the Graveyard of the Atlantic Museum store in Hatteras. One discount is allowed per family, and some exclusions on items and restrictions may apply.

If you travel to the different museums or prefer to stay closer to home, Read through History invites visitors to open a book and explore North Carolina culture, stories and history. The list of books, many of which are available at our museum gift shops, includes titles appropriate for readers of all ages. If traveling isn't in your summer plans, take a journey whenever you want with History Anywhere, Anytime. Discover how you can go on a journey—in your home, across town, or on the road—with the following activities: Hands-on History, Treasure Hunt, Artifact or Art-Fiction?, Bake-Off/Cookout, and No Plugs, No Batteries.

So no matter how you explore this summer, there's a bit of North Carolina history waiting to be discovered.



The Beaufort Picture Show at Mill Space

7 p.m. Saturday, July 24

"Chuck Leavell, The Tree Man"

The cinematic documentary that explores the world's fascination with the greatest piano and keyboardist over the last 40 years—who also happens to be an environmentalist.

More info and tickets www.beaufortpictureshow.org.

Yo ho ho & a bottle o' Run 5k and Fun Run



The Yo ho ho & a bottle o' Run 5k and 1 mile fun run will be 7-10 a.m., Saturday, July 3 in downtown Beaufort. Cost is \$35 per event. T-shirt included. Register at Beaufortpirateinvasion.com or Runtheeast.com or by calling 336-707-8276.

Pirate Invasion

The Beaufort Pirate Invasion will be Aug. 13-15 at the Gallant's Channel Complex.

The Gallants Channel Complex is a large open area that is gated and visitors can purchase a wristband or ticket to enter. The admission fee is \$10. Children that can "walk under the Plank" will enter free. Professional performers are slated for this year to include, professional magicians, sword-fighters, pirate musicians, bullwhip demos, black powder demos with cannons. Family friendly comedy show, living history displays and reenactments, stilt walkers, mermaids, peg-legged pirates, blacksmithing, axe/ knife throwing and so much more..., and that is a show to see mates. For more information, visit www.beaufortpirateinvasion.com.



The Old Beaufort Post Office Papers Project

Calling all local Beaufort history lovers! Cape Lookout National Seashore is working on a new program for the Beaufort area, and would love to hear your story of time spent in the Old Beaufort Post Office. Whether you were checking your postal box, buying stamps, admiring the New Deal Murals or just catching up on the local news with neighbors, we are hoping you would like to share some of your experiences.

A big part of the mission of the National Park Service is to preserve natural and cultural resources for the enjoyment, education, and inspiration for this and future generations. By sharing your memories and collaborating with Cape Lookout National Seashore, we can continue to preserve the special and unique history of the Old Beaufort Post Office together.

If you are interested in sharing your experiences that may be used in future Ranger programming at the Beaufort Visitor Information Center, please email your memories to Ranger Kathleen O'Grady at kathleen_o'grady@nps.gov.

