



Town of Beaufort Newsletter

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...And More Great News For Beaufort!!

We've had a great month of May in Beaufort with the Wooden Boat Show, Boat Building Challenge, Olde Beaufort Farmers Market, Crystal Coast Full and Half Booty Triathlon, Beaufort Music Festival, and Miles for Music 5K road race. It is also inspiring to see Finz and Beaufort Café have re-opened after repairing storm damage. June promises to be another great month for our Town. Our heartiest congratulations to East Carteret High School Lady Mariners soccer and track teams, including a State champion 4X100 relay team and Breah Taylor winning a total of three gold medals and a silver. With academic awards and graduation on the horizon, we are very proud of our students, faculty, and staff who have succeeded despite the adversity of Hurricane Florence.



We wish our graduates fair winds and following seas, and greatly appreciate their exceptional contribution to our community.



Behind the scenes, our Town Staff is preparing to execute a robust plan to fix Beaufort's infrastructure. You can find examples of this massive effort at beaufortnc.org. We recently cleared the Old Burying Ground of storm debris, and have worked closely with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to dredge Bulkhead Channel which was rapidly filling with sand from Beaufort Inlet.

Finally, I would like to highlight the selfless volunteers of the Beaufort Garden Club. They are extraordinarily active in beautification efforts across our community and a key part of what makes Beaufort the "#1 Small Town in the South."

- Mayor Everette S. (Rett) Newton

The Very Best of Beaufort



Our Carteret County schools are vital to the success of our community and have been on the front line of recovering from Hurricane Florence, opening only 15 days after this massive storm and closely monitoring the specific needs of students, employees, and their families. Tabbie Nance has been a key leader in this effort both in her role as School System Communications Director and her interaction with the Carteret County Public School Foundation. Quite simply, she cares deeply about Carteret County, is a strong advocate for education, and she "gets stuff done." A few examples include finding housing for the displaced, food for the hungry, funding for repairs and utilities, and supplies for those in need. Eight months after the storm, she tirelessly continues her quest to find and help those who need assistance. Tab-

bie Nance is a force for good, and truly represents the very best of Beaufort.

Sharon Harker Completes Advanced Leadership Training Provided by the UNC School of Government

Beaufort Mayor Pro-tem, Sharon Harker completed the Advanced Leadership Corps (ALC) training offered annually to county and municipal elected officials by the School of Government at the University of North Carolina at



Chapel Hill. ALC is a weeklong program designed by the School's Center for Public Leadership and Governance to help elected officials understand the broader challenges of governing in today's environment, to enable them to build their personal leadership abilities, and to give them an opportunity to learn how to lead and act collaboratively. More than 80 municipal and county elected officials from across North Carolina have completed this selective program since its inception, and this year, the School will celebrate the program's 100th graduate.

"I am so grateful to be a graduate of the ALC program," said Harker. "During my week of training, I gained and learned crucial knowledge that will help me become a better leader for the citizens of Beaufort."

Generous financial support from Prudential Financial allows elected officials from across the state to attend with only modest cost to the local unit of government.





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Newsletter Submissions: Due June 20, 2019 at 5 p.m. Send to r.johnson@beaufortnc.org

Board of Commissioners

During their May 13, 2019 regular monthly meeting, the Board of Commissioners took the following actions:

• Approved a Resolution Supporting Carteret County Litter Prevention Initiative.

• Approved a Resolution Endorsing the Drainage Improvements Along Cedar Street.

• Approved the Notice of Award and Budget Ordinance for the NCDOT Water Line Relocation on NC Highway 101 Project Approved the minutes for the March 11 regular meeting, the March 25 work session, the April 8 regular meeting and the April 22 work session.

• Approved the Beaufort Ole Towne Rotary Road Race Special Event Application.

- Approved Budget Amendments 6 and 7.
- Approved a Permit request for Beaufort Cart Tours.
- Approve Option 2 for the Cedar Street Improvement Project.
- Approved a request from the Beaufort Pirate Invasion for the closure of the West Parking Lot and the sale of alcohol.
- Approved a request for the BDA Music in the Park on Thursday evenings and the sale of alcohol.
- Approved a request for the Boat Building Challenge 2020.
- Approved a request for Mardi Gras 2020.
- Approved all Event Grant requests totaling \$8,047.50.

• Approved the establishment of an Infrastructure Capital Reserve Fund.

• Appointed Joyce McCune to serve a three year term to the HPC, appointed Brian O'Haver to fill an unexpired term on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and appointed Diane Meelheim to serve a three year term on the Planning Board.

• Received the proposed FY20 Budget.

Planning Board

The Planning Board met on May 9, 2019 and discussed the following items:

•1107, 1111 Live Oak St and 101 Loftin Lane: Request to rezone three lots totaling 1.31 acres from R-8 to RS-5 including a request to the CAMA Future Land Use Map from Medium Density Residential to High Density Residential: Recommended for approval for the rezoning and amendment to the CAMA Future Land Use Map.

•1809 Live Oak: Request to rezone a 15.03 acre tract from B-1 (General Commercial) to PUD (Planned Unit Development) as well as an amendment to the CAMA Future Land Use Map from Commercial Business to Mixed Use. The request includes a proposed daycare, 17 multi-family units and 37 single -family lots: Recommended for approval for the rezoning and amendment to the CAMA Future Land Use Map.

•Cedar Street Mixed Use District: Text Amendment and Rezoning: Request by Town Staff to create a new zoning district

Historic Preservation Commission

The Town of Beaufort Historic Preservation Commission met May 7, in the Train Depot. The following items were discussed: 201 Broad Street-Request to replace a shingle roof with a new metal roof-Denied. •321 Orange Street-Request for a new 11/2 story single family dwelling-Approved. 330 Front Street-Request from FINZ Grill to paint the exterior to include trim a new color-Tabled until May 21 for the applicant to provide color samples of the paint. •500 Ann Turner Street-Request from Ann Street United Methodist Church for sun shade for the daycare center-Tabled until May 21 for the applicant to provide color samples of the paint and building material samples.

along the Cedar Street Corridor between Turner Street and Hedrick Street that would provide for the opportunity of mixed uses with design criteria to include building materials: Tabled for revision at a Planning Board Workshop.

•Live Oak Corridor Overlay District and Rezoning: Text Amendment and Rezoning: Request by Town Staff to create a new overlay zoning district along the lower portion of Live Oak between Cedar Street and First Streets. This new overlay would provide for the opportunity of design criteria to include building materials and stricter sign control/ standards to include a proposal of amortization signs that are non-compliant within a five year period if adopted -Tabled for revision at a Planning Board Workshop. Staff is hopeful to have this item complete and before the community no later than July. If you have any questions about Beaufort's Planning Board, please contact Kyle Garner, Planning Director, at (252) 728-2142 or at k.garner@beaufortnc.org.

•101 Broad Street-Request to install a new deck to the exterior structure-Tabled at the applicant's request.

•108 Moore Street-Request to install a new chimney on the northern side of the structure and close off two northern side windows with non-working shutters and install new fencing to screen the above ground utilities—Approved.

The Board was informed of a State Historic Preservation workshop on June 21 in Morehead City's Webb Library. This will be a full day event and will count towards the Certified Local Government historic training requirement for certified Historic Commissions.

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.

June Meetings

All meetings are in the Train Depot, 614 Broad Street, unless otherwise posted. The public is welcome at all meetings. **4 p.m. June 3**—Budget Workshop #3 (Town Hall Conference

- Room, 701 Front Street) 6 p.m. June 4 —Historic Preservation Commission
- 6 p.m. June 6—Parks & Recreation Advisory Board
- 6 p.m. June 10—Board of Commissioners
- 6 p.m. June 13—Planning Board
- 4 p.m. June 24-Board of Commissioners Work Session (Town
- Hall Conference Room, 701 Front Street)

6 p.m. June 24—Board of Adjustment

Old Burying Ground Update

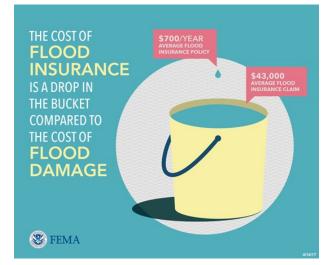
Debris removal contractor, Lanier Tree Service of Kinston, started on the Old Burying Ground May 13. The State Historic Staff onsite had nothing but praise for the contractor as they weaved their way around many historic grave stones and significant graves. The goal is that by the time you are reading this, the Old Burying Ground has reopened to visitors. We appreciate your patience and understanding during this time of removal.

Dredging Update

The US Army Corps of Engineers began dredging Bulkhead Channel the week of May 6 and finished on May 16. At this time an updated depth of the channel has not been provided to the Town indicating the new depth. This channel is a vital part of Beaufort as it is the main water access into and out of Town and sees hundreds of transient boaters each year as well as thousands of year-round and weekend boaters.

Consumer Confidence Reports

The Consumer Confidence Report for the Town of Beaufort (PWS ID 04-16-010) & Eastmans Creek SD (PWS ID 70-16-013) is available for the public. These Consumer Confidence Reports can be obtained by requesting a copy at Town Hall or by visiting www.beaufortnc.org/publicutilities. If you have any questions, comments or concerns, contact Wade Keeler at (252) 728-2130.



Disasters Don't Plan Ahead. You Can.

June 1st marks the official start of hurricane season. Flooding can happen to anyone. Low-risk doesn't mean no risk.

This hurricane season, make sure you're prepared.

Property specific flood risk information is available at https://fris.nc.gov.

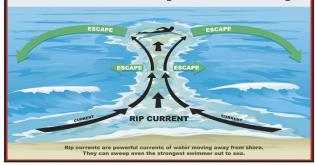
Flood insurance information is available at https://www.floodsmart.gov/

Please contact Kate Allen, Town Planner, at k.allen@beaufortnc.org, (252) 728-2142 for more information.



Call (252) 728-4561 if you need assistance or have any questions.

RIP CURRENTS Break the Grip of the Rip!



IF CAUGHT IN A RIP CURRENT

- Don't fight the current
- Swim out of the current, then to shore
- If you can't escape, float or tread water
- If you need help, call or wave for assistance

SAFETY

Know how to swim



Never swim alone
If in doubt, don't go out

Now is the Time to Prepare for Hurricane Season RALEIGH, N.C. – Hurricane season begins June 1. Taking steps now to prepare your family, home and business can make a big difference:

• Create an emergency communication plan with your family. This plan spells out how everyone will contact each other, where to go and how to get back together.

 \cdot Build an emergency kit. Keep it ready at home, at work and in the car.

• Check your insurance coverage. Damage caused by flooding is usually not covered by homeowners insurance policies. Buy flood insurance.

 \cdot Know your community's evacuation plan, evacuation routes and how to receive alerts.

 $\cdot\,$ Stay informed about current conditions. Listen to local officials and evacuation orders.

 \cdot Download an emergency weather app on your phone. Have backup power for your phone. Purchase a weather radio.

 \cdot Keep all important documents in a waterproof container to take with you if you evacuate.

 \cdot Ready.gov/hurricane and ReadyNC.org provide helpful information on how to plan.

Unfinished storm repairs could make your home vulnerable to future storm damage. For more information on North Carolina's recovery from Hurricane Florence, visit ncdps.gov/ Florence and FEMA.gov/Disaster/4393. Follow us on Twitter: @NCEmergency and @FEMARegion4.



Mayor Rett Newton presents Fire Chief Larry Fulp with a key to the **rown** at Fulp's retirement party.

Chief Fulp Retires

Fire Chief Larry Fulp retired from the Town of Beaufort after 42 years on April 30. Fulp's interest in becoming a firefighter began when he was an Eagle Scout in 1977 and was working on a firefighting merit badge. He began as a volunteer firefighter in 1977 while he was working full time in the Town's water department. He eventually transitioned to a full time firefighter postition with the Town, and worked his way through the ranks from Engineer, to Captain and eventually becoming Chief of the Department in 2008. Larry exemplifies the virtues of honor, service and personal sacrifice. As a full time shift firefighter, he missed many holidays and times spent with his family. During extreme weather events such as hurricanes, he was working for the community during the worst of the storms, and not home with his family. His continued years of service to the Town has made a significant impact on the community. Thank you Chief Fulp for your dedicated service to the Town of Beaufort.

Anthony "Tony" Ray Named Interim Fire Chief



Tony Ray was named Interim Fire Chief in early May. Chief Ray, an Applachian State University graduate, comes to the Town of Beaufort with a wealth of experience to include: serving the Charlotte Fire Department for 28 years where he retired as a Battalion Chief. Ray also attended Central Piedmont Community College, Officer Candidate School - I & II, University of Maryland, MFRI Staff and Command School, Urban Area Security Initiative – Charlotte Region/CFD Emergency Management for Critical Infrastructure Protection, Buffer Zone Protection and Urban Search and Rescue. Ray has served as a NC Fire Service Instructor, In-

terim Chief of the Blue Ridge Fire Department and has spent 42 years on the National Ski Patrol.

He is a member of the North Carolina State Firefighters Association, North Carolina Association of Fire Chiefs, International Association of Fire Chiefs and the North Carolina Society of Fire Rescue Instructors.

The Beaufort Picture Show presents the Coolest Movies in the Coolest Small Town



The Beaufort Picture Show, a new non-profit, neighborhood collective organization, will begin its inaugural season of sharing and showcasing movies in Beaufort, at the newly retro-fitted Mill Space (adjacent to Mill Whistle Brewery) starting this summer—June-August. The theater is at 1354 Lennoxville

Road. For tickets, schedules, showtimes and more visit www.beaufortpictureshow.com.

Carteret County Public Libraries

Happenings for June 2019

Events: Come join us for an afternoon of knitting every Wednesday from 2:30-4:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome!

Book Exchange and Sale: The Book Nook is open during regular library hours with many used books and audio materials for sale. **Children's Activities:** Pre-K Story time (3-5) meets on Wednes-days at 10 a.m. and Toddler Storytime (2-4) meets on Fridays at 10 a.m. Lego Club meets on the second Wednesday of the month from 6-7 p.m. Page-Turners (6-12) meets on the first and third Thursdays of the month from 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Featured Artwork: This month the Art Gallery features the work of Marsha Deane. Marsha's artwork is created by what she sees in the coastal environment where she lives. She paints seascapes, wildlife, and her garden using a variety of mediums. The display case features the work of Deb Baker. She creates beautiful etched glass designs. The display case features the work of Deb Baker. She has a wide range of talents including making animals from old books and etching lighthouses on glasses using acid. Come and take a look!

National Park Service—Beaufort



Horse Sense and Survival: 8 a.m. June 15-Join the Horse Sense and Survival tours with Wildlife Resources Ranger, Dr. Sue Stuska. Dr. Sue's intimate knowledge of the horses makes for an exciting and enlightening glimpse into the relationships, behavior, and survival of these wild animals. Participants will gain an appreciation of all that can be gleaned while

watching from a distance. They will understand how to determine an appropriate position and distance for watching that doesn't affect the horses' natural behaviors. Space on the tours is limited and reservations are required. The program is free; the ferry is \$17 for adults & \$10 for children (11 and under). For reservations and to ask individual questions, call the park at 252-728-2250, ext. 0. For more information, including meeting places, times, and ferry costs, see http://go.nps.gov/horsewatch

Art of the New Deal: Sundays, 2 p.m. June 23-Sept. 1 Calling all art enthusiasts! Discover the art of the New Deal era through the nationally treasured murals of Simka Simkhovitch, which capture moments of our local maritime history. Locals who have grown up with the murals are encouraged to attend (and share their memories).

Rove with a Ranger: Fridays, 9:15 a.m. June 21-Aug. 30 (Program meets at the Island Express Ferry Service ticket booth in Beaufort; Ferry fees apply, call the ferry for tickets) Explore Shackleford Banks for a morning walk with a Park Ranger, and see if you can spot some of the wild horses, or discover one of the many sea birds that reside, or stop by on their migration. Come prepared for the adventure by bringing water, snacks, binoculars/camera, sunscreen, bug spray, and a pair of waterwalking shoes. Come for the walk, stay and enjoy the day at Shackleford beaches at your leisure.

2019 'Woman of the Year' Nomination

The League of Women Voters of Carteret County is excited to announce 2019 'Woman of the Year' nominations are available.



 This award was initially created in 2000 to spotlight and recognize the role that women play in our community across many diverse fields including arts, education, healthcare, government, law enforcement, business, not-for-profit and others. Nominapen to everyone in the community. Nominees must

tions are open to everyone in the community. Nominees must reside in Carteret County to be eligible. Deadline for submission is 5 p.m. Monday, June 24.

Submission forms are available online at

www.lwvcarteretcounty.org/home. Submission forms may be sent to: c/o Woman of the Year 2017, PO Box 2181, Beaufort, NC 28516 or online to carolgeer@gmail.com.

Olde Beaufort Farmer's Market

The Olde Beaufort Farmers' Market is moving into its summer



months with lots of interesting themes and activities. Head down to the courthouse square 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday mornings to buy your food needs for the week, including fresh veggies, meats, eggs, seafood and baked goods, along with beautiful art and craft treasures, all home-

grown, homemade, handmade and fresh caught. June 1, the focus will be on our furry family members with Hug Your Hound Day. June 8 is Color Outside the Lines Day, the focus is on market artisans who will be demonstrating their work and educating about their processes and methods. The 15th will honor fathers with a pancake breakfast, the 22nd will focus on tomatoes, and the 29th will be an "eggs-cellent" day at the market. Stay informed by visiting our website: oldebeaufortfarmersmarket.org and we'll see you at the market!

Beaufort Garden Club

Beaufort Garden Club members will be making flower arrangements for the Old Homes Tour on Thursday, June 27, 8:30 a.m. -12 p.m. at St Paul's Episcopal Church.

Beaufort Woman's Club

Town Flags—Beaufort 3' x 5' and 4' x 6' flags and 12" x 18" garden flags are for sale at Beaufort Ace, 1511 Live Oak St.; Beaufort Home Store, 113 Turner Street; Cousins Bed & Breakfast, 305 Turner Street; First Citizens Bank, 1505 Live Oak Street and Time in a Bottle, 300 Front Street, Unit 3. All proceeds benefit the community through the Beaufort Woman's Club.

LEASH PETS WHILE VISITING LOCAL ISLANDS

Be sure to leash your pet when visiting the islands of the Rachel Carson Reserve (including Carrot Island) and Cape Lookout National Seashore. This protects your pet, wild horses, sensitive resources and other visitors' enjoyment. Plus, it's the law. Have a great time out there with your furry friends!

