

Town of Beaufort Newsletter

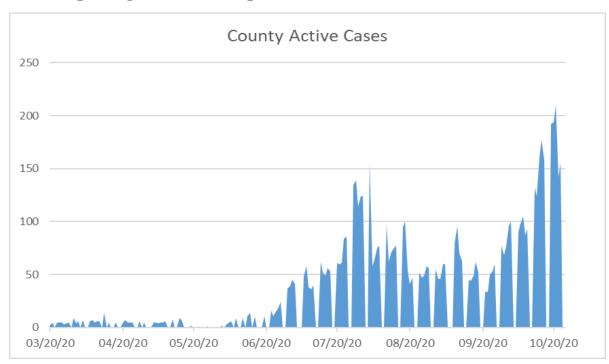
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November 2020

Living Safely in Beaufort

COVID-19 Update. October was a bad month in our fight against COVID-19. The number of active cases, number of deaths, and hospitalizations were at all-time highs during the month. All trends are in the wrong direction, and the arrival of flu season only heightens our concerns. The graph is derived from Carteret County Health Department daily COVID-19 updates and reflects the number of active cases in the county.

We know the best practices for defeating COVID-19 include wearing a mask, staying at least 6 feet from others who may be infected, and washing hands frequently. If you are feeling poorly or believe you have been exposed, please contact your medical provider or the County Health Department at (252) 728-8550. We know how to defeat COVID-19...it takes all of us using best practices...lets get it done!



Road Safety. I've heard from citizens about their concerns for the safety of walkers and bicyclists in and around our roads. After the opening of the Grayden Paul High-Rise Bridge and Turner Street Bridge, we are clearly a more walk-able, bike-able, and live-able community. For those driving cars and trucks in town, please be vigilant for walkers and bicyclists. For walkers, please use sidewalks where available and stay out of the street. We will be adding sidewalks in many parts of the community in the next few years. For bicyclists, follow the rules of the road...your bicycle is considered a vehicle and you are the driver. It will take time to change our current culture (developed over decades) that prioritizes cars to a healthier community prioritizing walkers and bikers.

- Mayor Everette S. (Rett) Newton

Town Hall

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Office Hours

8 a.m. -5 p.m.
Monday-Friday
Closed Nov. 11, 26 &27
Please note offices are closed
to the public due to Covid-19.
Please call or email staff.

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Newsletter Submissions:

Due Nov. 20, 2020 at 5 p.m. Send to r.johnson@beaufortnc.org



Board of Commissioners

During the Oct. 12, 2020 regular monthly meeting, the Board of Commissioners took the following actions:

- Approved the minutes for the Aug. 24 Work Session and the Sept. 14, 2020 Regular Meeting.
- Approved the Park Improvements Budget Amendment
- Approved the Capital Reserve Fund Amendment #4.
- Approved Stewart Inc. as the consultant for the CAMA Land Use Plan & Unified Development Ordinance.
- Approved project additions to the Turner Street 100 Block Pedestrian Improvement project.
- Approved a request from Beaufort Pirate Invasion.
- Appointed Brian O'Haver, Julie Arthur and Johanna Davis to four year terms on the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board and James Taylor to the HPC.

Historic Preservation Commission

The Town of Beaufort Historic Preservation Commission met Oct. 6 and discussed the following six items using Zoom technol-

• Case # 20-20 206 Marsh Street-Historic Plaque -Request for a historic plaque for 206 Marsh Street and to be known as the WHILEY H. TAYLOR HOUSE, circa 1910. Approved.

Planning & Inspections **Items**

The Board of Adjustment met on Sept. 28 and took evidence and heard testimony on the following item: Case # 20-02 111 Moore Street: Request for a reduction of front setback on Moore Street from 25 feet to 4 feet (21 foot reduction) & reduction of rear setback from 25' to 2' (23 foot reduction). The Board of Adjustment approved a revised request for a 4' setback from Moore Street and 4' from the rear property line.

The **Planning Board** heard the following items on Oct. 19: Case #20-11. RZ 1205 Lennoxville Rd B-1 to TCA: Request to rezone 1205 Lennoxville Road from B-1 General Business District to TCA Townhomes, Condominiums & Apartments District as well as a CAMA Map amendment from Light Industrial to Mixed Use. Approved.

• A request was made of staff to submit a request for revocation of the COA for 400 Front Street pending the applicant submit a request of modification for the November meeting. **Historic Guidelines Up**date: The State Historic Preservation Office and staff reviewed the first draft of the document. "Draft standards" should be available for community comment and review in early January.

Case #20-12 102 Professional Park Drive: Kennel, Indoor/Outdoor Operation: A Special Use Permit request to operate an indoor/outdoor kennel located at 102 Professional Park Drive. Recommended for approval with two conditions: the indoor kennel area have sound proofing material to dampen the sound of animals and; the vegetative buffer be designed and installed by an arborist to provide sound dampening between the outside area and the residents of Pearl Drive.

In other news: The Inspections Division issued 69 Building Permits and completed 175 inspections for the month of September.

Contact Planning Director Kyle Garner at k.garner@beaufortnc.org for more information.

November Meetings

All meetings will be conducted virtually via Zoom. Please visit the calendar item for the meeting at www.beaufortnc.org.calendar for meeting login infor-

6 p.m. Nov. 3 —Historic Preservation Commission

6 p.m. Nov. 5—Parks & Recreation Advisory **Board**

6 p.m. Nov. 9—Board of Commissioners

6 p.m. Nov. 16—Planning Board

4 p.m. Nov. 23—Board of Commissioners

Work Session

6 p.m. Nov. 23—Board of Adjustment

CAMA Comprehensive Land Use Plan and Unified Development Ordinance

The Town will be working with Stewart Inc. to update the Town's CAMA Core Land Use Plan and create a user-friendly Unified Development Ordinance. The Comprehensive Land Use Plan will set the tone for future growth and development within the Town and Extraterritorial Jurisdiction. As members of the community, your voice matters! There will be several opportunities for citizens to get involved in the planning process. Be on the lookout for updates on the Town's website and Facebook page!

The Very Best of Beaufort



Our town ment strives to provide a solid

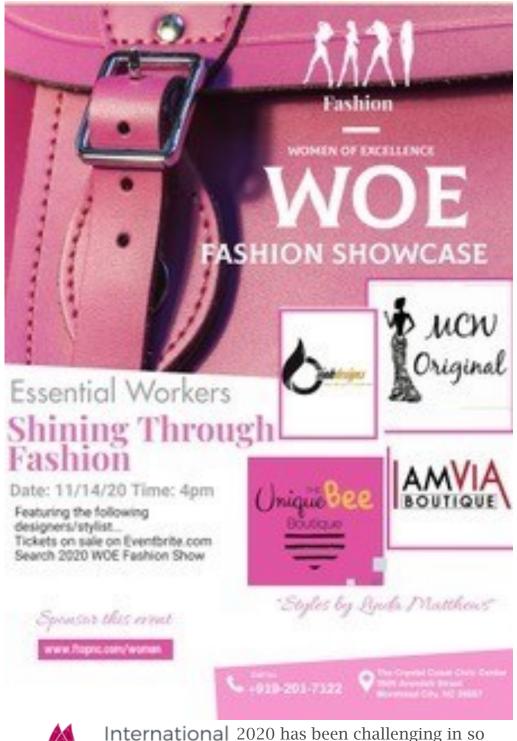
foundation for the health and prosperity of our community. I firmly believe that what makes Beaufort truly amazing is the extraordinary volunteerism across our town. The Beaufort Picture Show (BPS) Board volunteers Billy Kane, Barbara Chappetta, Vic Fasolino, Virginia Ferri, David Sharpe, Ron Smith, Susan the NC Maritime Muse-Smith, and Lynn Sutton are a great example of a group of selfless citizens making a big difference. Before COVID-19, the volunteers were "featuring the coolest movies in the Beaufort.

coolest small town." To ensure safety during the govern- pandemic, the BPS volunteers have instituted a few new programs, including an online conversation series called BeauShow Convo's (via Zoom), BeauShow al Fresco (outdoor screenings at Mill Whistle), and the now-famous Beaufort Drive-In at Gallants Channel to show the movies using specific COVID-19 guidelines, with the proceeds from the Drive-In going to support Beaufort Middle School and the Friends of um. We have talented and caring citizens in our town, and the Beaufort Picture Show Board volunteers certainly represent the very best of

BEAUFORT Historical Association

Womble, Johnson and Tuchek Art Opening at Mattie King Davis Art Gallery, Dec. 4, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. Join us for an art opening on December 4 from 4:30 - 6 p.m. for Jimmy Craig Womble, Mandy Johnson, and Lisa Tuchek! The three will be showcasing a variety of pieces including many new ones. Please be advised that the opening will follow COVID guidelines. Masks required and select number allowed in gallery at a time. For more information about the artists visit beauforthistoricsite.org, call 252-728-5225, or stop by the Mattie King Davis Art Gallery at 130 Turner Street. Art work will be available to view virtually on the Mattie King Davis Art Gallery Facebook page.

Christmas Candlelight Tour, Dec. 12, 5:30-8:30 p.m. Celebrate the season in Beaufort and ride on the double-decker bus as you view downtown homes, churches, and inns with their festive décor and decorations. Enjoy a guided tour of the Beaufort Historic Site buildings and Old Burial Grounds and find unique gifts in the Old Beaufort Shop. Tickets (limited) are \$20. For more information or to purchase your tickets visit www.beauforthistoriciste.org, call 252-728-5225, or stop in at the Beaufort Historic Site Welcome Center, 130 Turner St. Please be advised that masks will be reguired and the tour will follow all COVID guidelines. All Beaufort Historic Site events are subject to change and or be canceled. Please follow us on social media @thebeauforthistoricsite, visit beauforthistoricsite.org, or call 252-728-5255 for the most updated information.





2020 has been challenging in so many ways. If you're struggling, we want to encourage you to reach out. Don't go through it on

your own. We are DownEast Beaufort Center for Women's Ministries, We are here to listen to and encourage you. Newly located at Bridgeway Church at 100 Lockhart Dr in Beaufort, we're available Mondays, 10 am-4 pm and by appointment. We are seeking more volunteers who have a heart to help women. For more information or to make an appointment for Free peer counseling, please call 252-504-2441 or email us at downeastbeaufortcwm@outlook.com. Your inquiries are kept strictly confidential. We have been where you are and would love to walk beside you. You are not alone!



Glorious fall at the Olde Beaufort Farmer's Market, filled with the colors and scents of the season!

Come get your happy fix while you shop for homegrown veggies, homemade baked goods, and handmade artisan treasures!



Mark you calendars for the Olde-Fashioned Holiday Market on the evening of Dec. 19th from 4:30 - 8:30 PM. Shop for special gifts and fill your bags with delicious food! You don't' want to miss this beautiful event!

If you leave home, know your Ws!



a cloth face covering.



6 feet apart, Avoid close contact.



use hand sanitizer.

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

through the Beaufort Woman's Club.

Writers' Exchange Beaufort NC

The Writers Exchange Beaufort NC offers Critique-on-the-Fly zoom meetings for all poets and writers every 2nd and 4th Thursdays, 6-9 PM. Check our Facebook page for more info and request an invitation here: thewritersXchange@aol.com.



BEAUFORT DRIVE-IN

The Beaufort Picture Show is pleased to announce the new Drive- In movie venture at the Gallants Channel (near Bonehenge). Yup, just like the old drive-ins. Bring a carload of friends, snacks as you wish and enjoy an outdoor night at the movies while remaining covid-safe in your vehicle.

6 p.m. Friday, Nov 13: "SPIDERMAN, IN-TO THE SPIDER-VERSE"

BEAUFORT AL FRESCO

These are movies shown outdoors at our Mill Space location. Bring a chair, your favorite picnic, grab a beer from Mill Whistle Brewing and join us in a covidsafe movie venue.

6 p.m. Sat, Nov 23: "The 100-FOOT **IOURNEY**"

Find us at www.beaufortpictureshow.org for tickets and information.