

# Beaufort Highlights

## Town Manager's Work Program

### Cedar Street Work Pervious Pavement

The placement of pervious concrete began during the week of July 3rd and continues. Cedar Street from Turner to Pollock Street is closed.

### Professional Park Area Stormwater Inventory & Flood Study

Statements of Qualifications for the Professional Park Drive Area Stormwater Inventory & Flood Study were received from seven engineering firms by the July 20th due date. A Town staff selection committee subsequently narrowed the field of candidates to three. The three firms are scheduled to make in-person presentations through August 22nd. Thereafter, the selection committee is expected to select a firm with which to begin scope and fee negotiations.

### Waterfront Improvement Project

Statements of Qualifications for the Front Street Town Bulkhead and Boardwalk Improvements Design were received from four engineering firms. A 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 are set to review the submissions. The committee is expected to either select a firm to begin scope and fee negotiations or to narrow the field of candidate firms. If narrowed, the selected firms would then be invited to make in-person presentations to the committee.

The readvertisement of the Front Street Dock fuel storage system potential design-build-permit project did not result in submission of additional qualifications statements. Accordingly, Town staff will undertake scope and fee negotiations with the only firm that submitted a Statement of Qualifications, J.M. Davis Industries, Inc.

### Mural

The Arts in Beaufort mural project on the boardwalk is complete and has become a popular spot in downtown Beaufort.



### Wayfinding

Staff is working together on the installation of the signs. Installation will begin later this week beginning with the replacement of existing signage. Staff is constructing the appropriate poles for the new signs.



The American Public Works Association's (APWA) annual conference returned to Beaufort in August. Each year they host a fundraiser during the conference. The past two years, the APWA have asked Mayor Sharon Harker to select a local charity to receive the funds. On Friday, Aug. 4, David Cox of the APWA along with Mayor Harker presented a \$200 cash donation to Loaves and Fishes' Gabbie Gaskill, Human Resources manager/bookkeeper and David Bruce, Executive Director.



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### Board of Commissioners' Upcoming Meetings

6 p.m. Aug. 14 Regular Meeting

4 p.m. Aug. 28 Work Session

For more information on meeting dates and to view agendas visit [www.beaufortnc.org/calendar](http://www.beaufortnc.org/calendar).

### Paid Parking Season

May 22-Sept. 4, 2023

Parking passes are available for sale at Town Hall.

### August/Sept. 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

**Carteret County Arts Coalition Show:** Sept. 1-3 at Beaufort Historic Site

**Back to School Bash:** 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9 at Louis Randolph Johnson Jr. Memorial Park

**Art in the Park:** 3-5 p.m. Sept. 20 at Louis Randolph Johnson Jr. Memorial Park

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

### Upcoming King Tide Events

Aug. 27-Sept. 4, 2023

Sept. 25-Oct. 4, 2023

Oct. 27-Nov. 1, 2023

Nov. 26-28, 2023

### 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
- Dredging Projects

## 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.

## Public Utilities

- Cloud-based cellular supervisory data acquisition systems were installed at 7 of the Town's 27 sewer pump stations. A purchase order was also issued for the installation and startup of systems at the other 20 stations.
- The Town's sewer vacuum-jet truck was repaired onsite by an outside vendor.

## Public Works

- Staff coordinated the replacement of the rooftop HVAC equipment and upstairs ductwork at Town Hall. The space occupied by Town Hall staff is now served by an operational HVAC system.
- Staff continued to coordinate the electrical contractor responsible for the placement of generators at Town Hall and Public Works.
- The Public Works Manager has begun planning the installation of wayfinding signage.
- Staff replaced several broken and cracked deck boards and secured loose boards along the Front Street boardwalk.
- Staff continues to work with an insurance adjuster to facilitate the repair of the Train Depot roof. A corner of the roof was struck while a delivery truck was making a delivery.
- Conducted clearing and cleaning of various ditches across Town.
- Normal services were provided during the period to include trash collection, sweeping streets, building maintenance, grounds maintenance, janitorial services, park maintenance, street maintenance, stormwater maintenance, sidewalk maintenance, etc.

## Planning & Inspections

- The Inspections department has launched its new permitting software (Evolve). The software streamlines the permitting process with online submittals, review and scheduling.
- The Historic Commission will attend training in Washington, NC on Aug. 24.
- Staff in conjunction with the Town Attorney is completing its draft of the 160-D changes. This should be complete by November.

## Police

- Interviewing applicants for vacant positions.
- Processing supplemental documentation for a \$29K grant from the Governor's Crime Commission- no match.

## Fire

- Personnel participated in the Tom Tillis "Preparing for Disaster" webinar.
- Beaufort Fire Department is sponsoring two cadets to the Crystal Coast Fire Academy hosted by Carteret Community College.
- Staff participated in the "Touch-a-Truck" community engagement event hosted by the Carteret County Library.
- Has been working with the Town Engineer and Public Works onboarding the three generators funded by the NC Emergency Management Hazard Mitigation Grant. Two generators have been installed and connected at Public Works. The Town Hall generator has been installed and will be connected to the building the weekend of Aug. 19-20.

## Parks

- The splashpad is fully operational.
- The basketball and tennis courts have been resurfaced.
- Art in the Park resumes on Wednesday, Sept. 20. 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.

- The Parks & Recreation Advisory Board is hosting a Back to School Bash at Louis Randolph Johnson Jr. Memorial Park on Saturday, Sept. 9. There will be free food, games, music and more during this community event from 1-3 p.m. The National Park Service, Maritime

Museums of Beaufort and several other organizations will also be on hand to provide activities and fun. BES has been invited to participate.



## Beaufort Emergency Alerts

Sign up to receive notifications directly from the Town.

### Full Registration:

Scan the QR Code and complete the web form or



visit  
[www.beaufortnc.org](http://www.beaufortnc.org)  
and follow the registration links.

### Text Alerts

Only:

Sign up via text by  
texting "Join beaufortnc-alerts" to  
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More Project Updates Available  
Online

Visit the "Mayor's Corner" and select  
"Project Updates."

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**Back to School Bash**  
Celebrate the start of the new school year!  
**1-3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9**  
Louis Randolph Johnson Jr. Memorial Park  
1017 Pine Street



- Free food & drinks
- Games
- Prizes
- Arts & Crafts
- Music
- Splashpad

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