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Your Government

Board of Commissioners Work Session

2nd Monday | 6:00 p.m.

Town Hall Conference Room

January 13th & February 10th

Board of Commissioners Meeting

4th Monday | 6:00 p.m.

J. Curtis McInnis Board Room

January 27th & February 24th

Planning Board Meeting

3rd Thursday | 6:00 p.m.

J. Curtis McInnis Board Room

January 16th & February 20th

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Town Holiday Closing

In observation of Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Town administrative offices will be closed Monday, January 20, 2020.

There will be no garbage/recycle pick up on Monday, January 20th. The makeup day will be Wednesday, January 22nd.



Update on Aberdeen Lake

In October of 2016, Hurricane Matthew came through Aberdeen and did significant damage. The lower end of Aberdeen Lake Park flooded, and the town lost the old fire rescue squad. Upon further examination, the pipe in the lake dam was blown out, and significant damage was done to the sluice gate. A sluice gate is the device which allows for the lowering and raising of the lake level. The Town applied for, and was granted, FEMA funds to repair the dam. The dam had done its job and held up well over the years, completed by the Army Corps of Engineers in the early 1940s, but the time had come for the Town to address its future.

The process of applying to FEMA, contracting and developing plans with engineers, and then working with the Army Corps of Engineers and NC State Dam Safety is a lengthy one. But in 2018, Phase 1 of this project was completed. A coffer dam was constructed to allow contractors to control water around the concrete spillway. This additional dam made primarily of large stone, gave contractors the ability to greatly slow the flow of water directly to the primary dam. This would allow contractors to pump out water around the dam to allow for work to be done. Work slowed after completion of Phase 1, as the process of getting all permits needed from NC State Dam Safety took over half a year.

The Town has raised and lowered the level of the lake several times throughout this process, all in a controlled manner for the purpose of going through the inspection and repair process.

This winter, finally, the permitting process was completed and Phase 2 began. Contractors are first filling cavities that developed within the concrete spillway. Recent rainfall has slowed this process, but given a dry week of above freezing temperatures, the contractor will be able to complete this portion of the project. Following this, a new pipe and sluice gate will be installed in the spillway. The final step is a final resurfacing to cover the spillway. The project is still dependent on weather, but the Town feels there is a very good chance that this will all be completed prior to the end of January.

This process has been a very long one, and our lake has looked a bit sad at times throughout the process. However, the positives are that we had a very good dam which did its job for nearly 80 years, and we will now once again have an excellent dam which has been completed without having to dip into Town tax funds to do so. It has been a bit of a muddy mess through the process, but one which is well worth it in the end.

Christmas Tree Disposal

There are a couple of ways to dispose of live Christmas trees. The Town will pick up all live trees that are placed at the curb. All business owners need to make sure to not leave discarded Christmas trees behind their business. The trees must be completely clean of any ornaments or tree stands in order to be picked up by the Town.

Citizens can also take their Christmas tree Monday through Saturday from 7:30 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. to the following locations:

- Moore County Landfill
456 Turning Leaf Way,
Aberdeen, off HWY 5
910-295-4202
- Carthage Collection Site
5361 US HWY 15-501 S.,
Carthage
910-947-2704

Winterize Your Irrigation System

If you have an RPZ valve installed on your water line, it is your responsibility to make sure that it is properly insulated for extreme low temperatures.

If your valve is tied off of your water line to your house to serve an irrigation system, swimming pool, or other non-sewered service then you should cut the valve off and properly drain it for the winter.

Upcoming Activities & Athletics

-Youth Kickball – Registration deadline is February 28th.

-Senior Games in the Pines – Registration deadline is March 23rd.

-Easter Eggstravaganza – April 4th

-Downtown Aberdeen Dog Fair – April 4th

-Spring Break Camp – April 6th – 9th

-Blue & Brews: A Festival at the Farm – April 18th

Duke Energy Progress will be Clearing Around Power Lines

Duke Energy Progress will be doing tree and vegetation maintenance work this winter and early spring around power lines in Aberdeen and surrounding areas.

Beginning January 2nd, contract tree crews from Lewis Tree Service will be performing vegetation maintenance work around the Duke Energy Progress power lines along 49 miles of circuits that serve areas in parts of Aberdeen and the surrounding areas.

This work will include clearing the power lines along NC Highway 5 between Aberdeen and Pinehurst, Sandpit Road, Roseland Road, Pinebluff's west and south sides, and US Highway 1 South between Pinebluff and Hoffman. This circuit terminates a short distance south of Camp Mackall. (This list of roads is not all-inclusive, but provides examples of areas to be worked).

This work on these 49 miles of circuit is expected to be completed by the end of April, weather permitting.

Trees growing near power lines can cause fires and be an electrical hazard to the public. During storms, trees and tree limbs can fall into power lines and cause power outages.

Door hangers from Duke Energy identifying the planned work to be performed in the area will be left on each customer's door (typically one week or more in advance) of the crews arriving for scheduled pruning.

Customers who have questions related to this work may contact Duke Energy Progress customer service at 800-452-2777.

Unified Development Ordinance Approved in November

At the November 25th Board Meeting, the Board approved the new Unified Development Ordinance (UDO). The UDO contains the Town's zoning, subdivision, and flood damage prevention regulations.

The purpose of the UDO is to protect the public health, safety, morals, & general welfare of the citizens and landowners of the Town, and to implement the policies and objectives of Town-adopted plans addressing the Town's growth and development.

Citizens interested in viewing the new UDO and Zoning Map can find a copy on the Town's website at www.townofaberdeen.net.

Stay Up-To-Date on Events and Emergency Notifications

There are many ways for citizens to be informed of activities, news, programs and emergencies in the Town of Aberdeen.

The first is the Town website, www.townofaberdeen.net, where all Parks & Recreation athletics, activities, and special events are listed, Town Board and Commissions meetings are advertised, any news that may be pertinent to citizens, information about water main breaks that may result in water being turned off, and more.

The second is to like and follow the Town on Facebook @**TownofAberdeenNC**. News, Parks & Recreation activities and athletics, information about water main breaks, any emergency announcements, and employment opportunities are posted to the Facebook page.

The third is to follow the Town on Instagram @**townofaberdeen**. Parks & Rec events and athletics, employment opportunities, other happenings in Town are posted.

The fourth way is Nixle. Nixle is an emergency notification service that the Town uses to send messages of water main breaks in areas that require water to be shut off, road closures for special events, weather related closures and the Police and Fire Departments use Nixle to inform citizens of police activity in certain areas or other emergencies.

Citizens can sign up for Nixle by sending a text message to 888777 and in the body of the message enter 28315 and hit send. Citizens will then receive a confirmation text that you have signed up. Citizens can also sign up at www.nixle.com or on the Town's website, www.townofaberdeen.net, just enter your phone number and email address to receive notifications

If you need more information or have questions on how to sign up for any of these ways of communication, contact the Town at 910-944-1115.