



Bon Accord

ISSUE May & June 2020



Your Government

Board of Commissioners Work Session

2nd Monday | 6:00 p.m.

Town Hall Conference Room
May 11th & June 8th

Board of Commissioners Meeting

4th Monday | 6:00 p.m.

J. Curtis McInnis Board Room
May 26th (Tuesday) &
June 22nd

Planning Board Meeting

3rd Thursday | 6:00 p.m.

J. Curtis McInnis Board Room
May 21st & June 18th

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Town Holiday Closing

In observation of Memorial Day, Town administrative offices will be closed Monday, May 25, 2020.

There will be no garbage or recycle pick up on Monday, May 25th. The make-up day will be Wednesday, May 27th.



Message from the Manager

COVID-19 and the Town of Aberdeen – Much has happened over the last 60 days and since our last Bon Accord was published! With the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, NC Governor Roy Cooper issued a Stay-At-Home Order effective on March 30th and Mayor Farrell also issued a [Declaration of a State of Emergency](#) for the Town of Aberdeen that went into effect March 30, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. and remains in effect until modified or rescinded. Please check our website at www.townofaberdeen.net for the most current information on the State of Emergency and for other resources on COVID-19.

Our **town meetings are now available remotely** and you can view the meetings on our website at www.townofaberdeen.net. This is a new step by the Town, along with local governments all over NC, as we try to maintain an open environment for our citizens to view our public meetings. Also, in an effort to slow the spread of the virus, all of our offices in Town, including police, fire, administration, parks, planning, and public works, are closed to public access. Staff is still working in a full-time capacity and we are providing all of our normal services in an on-line or by telephone manner where possible. *Thank you for your patience as we all work through this unique time together!*

The Town will **postpone all quasi-judicial hearings and all advisory board meetings** until on or after May 11, 2020, subject to further notice. The Town has continued with its budget review process for FY 20/21 and provided remote access and will provide public input to the required budget hearing(s) if this declared emergency is still in place through May 26, 2020. The Board of Commissioners is considering delaying the actual

budget hearing from the originally scheduled date of May 26 and moving it to June 8 with the hope that the meeting(s) will be more easily accessible to the public at that time. Please check our website (above) for the final date of the budget hearing.

During this period of extreme circumstances and in an effort to assist our residents, the **Town shall not require immediate cut-off of water, sewer, and sanitation on residential accounts** for non-payment of fees through June 8, 2020, and shall accept partial payments on accounts. This date is subject to change based on an Order by the Governor. Past due amounts will be collected in the future under a payment plan.

In order to assist businesses during this time, the Town will temporarily **suspend Temporary Signs enforcement** to allow 1-2 temporary signs per business that must be on business property and not on public right-of-way or public property. The Town will temporarily suspend Temporary Banner enforcement and permitting for the following instances: 1 temp banner per business located on business property (not on the right-of-way) and 32 ft total square footage per banner. At the end of this period, the businesses will be allowed 7 days to remove the signs and banners.

The Town's budget schedule calls for a budget hearing in either late May or possibly in early June. These dates are subject to change so please check our website www.townofaberdeen.net for the most current budget and meeting information. PLEASE BE SAFE AND HEALTHY BY FOLLOWING THE COVID-19 GUIDELINES FOR SOCIAL DISTANCING AND OTHER CDC RECOMMENDATIONS.

Coach-Pitch Baseball

Coach-Pitch Baseball is for kids, ages 6-8, aging out of t-ball or who have never played baseball before. Practices and games will be held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at Colonial Heights Park.

Registration Deadline: June 26th (or until full)

First Practice: July 7th

Cost: \$12 for residents and \$25 for non-residents

All-Star Camp

Kids, ages 5-12, will learn the basics of different sports. Each day a specific sport will be taught. The camp will be held at Colonial Heights Park and one session will be held at Aberdeen Elementary School. Campers will receive a snack and drink after every session and receive a 2020 All-Star Sports Camp T-Shirt at the end of camp.

Registration Deadline: June 4th (or until full)

Dates: June 8th – 12th

Hours: 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Cost: \$30 for residents and \$40 for non-residents

One-Day Kickball Tournament

Date: Saturday, June 27th

Registration Deadline: June 19th

Cost: \$90 per team (min. of 6 teams)

We're kickin' it up a notch this summer with a one day, double elimination kickball tournament. Players, ages 16+, will need to form their own teams and come up with a team jersey. The tournament will be held at Colonial Heights Park.

Summer Camp

Campers, ages 5 – 12, will play group games, participate in arts and crafts, and go on field trips.

Dates: June 15th – July 31st

Registration deadline: June 5th or until full

Hours: 7:45 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Cost Per Week: \$85 for residents and \$130 for non-residents

Mini-Masters ½ Day Art Camp

Create your own masterpieces with Nicole Torres at the Aberdeen Recreation Center. Campers will learn about famous artists throughout history and create fun replicas. Campers will need to bring a water bottle and snack each day. Open to ages 5-12.

Dates: June 15th – 19th

Registration deadline: June 5th

Hours: Ages 5 - 8 - 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Ages 9 - 12 - 2:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Cost: \$60 for residents and \$90 for non-residents

2019 Sewer Collections System Performance Report

Overall the Town's sewer system is in good shape. The main issues we encounter in our system stem from inflow and infiltration and root and grease buildup in the lines. We are consistently replacing old sewer lines, videotaping to identify trouble areas and sealing older manholes.

2019 - We did not have any violations.

Spills that were less than the required overflow, we have not listed. Spills that do not enter surface water are dammed up to prevent spreading downstream and treated with an application of lime and then removed and taken to the Moore County Waste Water Treatment Plant.

I, certify under penalty of law, that this report is complete and accurate to the best of my

knowledge. I further certify that this report has been available to the users or customers of the named system and that those users have been notified of its availability.

-Brandon Mills

Water/Sewer Superintendent

Facility/System Name: Town of Aberdeen

Responsibility Entity: Town of Aberdeen Public Works Department

Person in Charge/Contact: Brandon Mills

Applicable Permit(s): Grade II Collections System Only

Description of Collection System or Treatment Process: Approximately 20 miles of sanitary sewer main; approximately 2 miles of sanitary forced sewer main; 7 sewer lift pump stations – treatment is provided by Moore County.

Fun Family Fourth of July

Celebrate Independence Day with an evening of live entertainment, food vendors, and activities for all ages. Purchase a Kid's Zone wristband for your child, which allows them unlimited access to the rock climbing wall, inflatable slides, bounce houses, obstacle course, and more. Grab your blankets and lawn chairs and bring family and friends to enjoy one of the largest and most exciting

fireworks displays in the area! Pets, alcoholic beverages, personal fireworks, and coolers are not allowed.

Date: Saturday, July 4th

Time: 5:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Location: Aberdeen Lake Park

Admission to the Park is FREE. Admission to the Kid's Zone is \$5.

Rescheduled Events

Egg Hunt

Due to concerns regarding COVID-19 the Easter Egg Hunt was cancelled on April 4th. This event is tentatively re-scheduled for May 23rd.

The Egg Hunt is open to ages 9 and under. Ages will be divided as such: 0-3, 4-6, and 7-9 and prize eggs will be hidden in each age group. There will be face painting, pony rides, train rides, and a petting zoo starting at 10:00 a.m. and the egg hunt starts at 11:00 a.m. Don't forget your baskets!

The Egg Hunt will be held at Malcolm Blue Farm located at 1177 Bethesda Road.

Blue & Brews

Due to concerns regarding COVID-19 Blue & Brews was cancelled on April 18th. This event

is tentatively scheduled for June 6th from 12:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. at Malcolm Blue Farm.

Join us for this festival at the farm. Enjoy bluegrass performances and yard games all day with beer, cider, and food available for purchase. Don't forget your lawn chairs!

Admission: \$5 (Entrance is cash only; some vendors may not accept credit cards)

Performances By:

Cuttin' Grass Bluegrass

Garrett Newton Band

Cumberland County Line

Shortly Thereafter

Vendors:

Railhouse Brewery, Southern Pines Brewery, James Creek Ciderhouse & more to come!