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# Town of Kitty Hawk

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# Kitty Hawk Park Trail Connection Project Construction Update

Construction has begun on the Kitty Hawk Park to Birch Lane Trail connecter path and work is expected to be complete by June 2021. The project is 100% funded with grant funds received from the North Carolina Division of Parks and Recreation Trails program and Dare County Tourism Board. The low bid for the project was LSI Marine Construction LLC at a cost of \$129,912.

The trail connection consists of 490 linear feet of elevated boardwalk that will connect to the 1.8 mile Birch Lane Trail located in the Kitty Hawk Reserve. The Birch Lane trailhead will be located at the Kitty Hawk Park

which will provide ample parking and users can enjoy the existing amenities at the Kitty Hawk park. The trail will be open to pedestrians, mountain biking, and horseback riding to those who have registered horses with the Town of Kitty Hawk.

The Town will work cooperatively with the NC Coastal Reserve during and after construction to ensure the reserves natural resources are protected. The Town kindly requests that all users of the trail follow all guidelines and posted signage along the trail.



# Town Maintains Community Rating With the National Flood Insurance Program

The National Flood Insurance Program's Community Rating System (CRS) recognizes community efforts beyond those minimum standards by reducing flood insurance premiums for the community's property owners. The CRS is similar to — but separate from — the private insurance industry's programs that grade communities on the effectiveness of their fire suppression and building code enforcement.



CRS discounts on flood insurance premiums range from 5% up to 45%. Those discounts provide an incentive for new flood protection activities that can help save lives and property in the event of a flood. To participate in the CRS, your community can choose to undertake some or all of the 19 public information and floodplain management activities described in the *CRS Coordinator's Manual*.

The CRS assigns credit points for each activity. Based on the total number of points your community earns, the CRS assigns you to one of ten classes. Your discount on flood insurance premiums is based on your class.

Recently the Town of Kitty Hawk underwent its five-year cycle verification review, and has received notification that after review of the flood protection activities for the past five years that the Town remains in good standing in the CRS program and has earned recertification to remain a Class 6. This means that property owners in the SFHA (Flood Zones AE, AH, AO, and VE) receive a 20% discount on insurance rate and property owners outside of the SHFA (X and Shaded X) receive a 10% discount on insurance rates.

Other benefits include for communities participating follow:

- Citizens and property owners in CRS communities have increased opportunities to learn about risk, evaluate their individual vulnerabilities, and take action to protect themselves, as well as their homes and businesses.
- CRS floodplain management activities provide enhanced public safety, reduced damage to property and public infrastructure, and avoidance of economic disruption and loss.
- Communities can evaluate the effectiveness of their flood programs against a nationally recognized benchmark.
- Technical assistance in designing and implementing some activities is available to community officials at no charge.
- CRS communities have incentives to maintain and improve their flood programs over time.

A Special Thanks to Rob Testerman the Town's Planning Director for his continuous work on maintaining the Town's rating.

# **Beach Renourishment Coming in 2022**

The Town Kitty Hawk Beach Renourishment project is slated for construction in the summer of 2022. The Town is currently in the engineering and permitting phase of this project. The project is anticipated to cost \$10,156,000 and will be funded by the Dare County Occupancy Tax Fund and revenues generated from the Municipal Service and Town-Wide Beach Nourishment Tax. There are no anticipated tax increases expected to fund the Renourishment in 2022.



The Town will be working closely to disseminate information to residents and visitors well in advance of the scheduled construction.

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# Town Calendar

### **Youth Fishing Tournament**

Saturday, April 24, 2021, 9:00 am Kitty Hawk Fishing Pier

### **Budget Workshop**

Monday, April 26, 2021, 9:00 am Kitty Hawk Town Hall

### **Town Recreation Committee Meeting**

April 27, 2021, 6:00 pm Kitty Hawk Town Hall

### **Town Council Meeting**

Monday, May 3, 2021, 6:00 pm Kitty Hawk Town Hall

### **Bulk Pick Up**

Monday, May 10, 2021

# **Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day**

May 13, 2021; 9:00 am to 3:00 pm Kitty Hawk Town Hall

### **Planning Board Meeting**

2nd Thursday after Council Meeting Next Meeting—May 13, 2021, 6:00 pm Kitty Hawk Town Hall

# **Town Council Meeting Broadcast, Spectrum Cable 191**

Thursday and Sunday following the meeting—1:00 pm & 7:00 pm

# Bulk Pick Up Scheduled for Monday, May 10, 2021



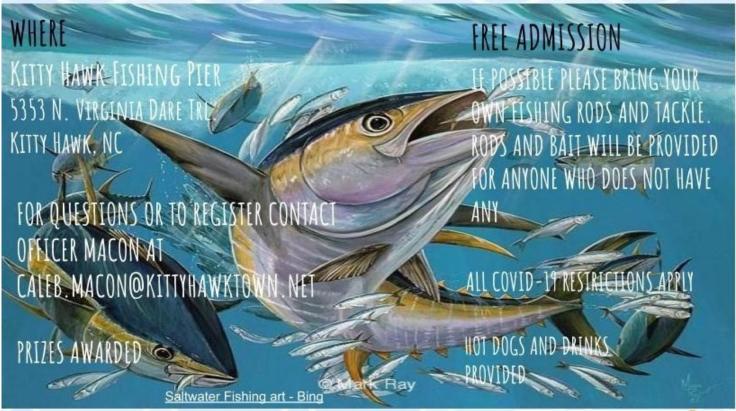
Town of Kitty Hawk Public Works will be conducting the next Bulk Pick Up beginning on Monday, May 10th. Please have items placed in the right of way.

For this pick-up, the following recyclable items will be collected: used auto tires (tires must be removed from rims), used motor oil (only in spill proof containers), auto radiators, scrap metals (rims, motor parts), appliances, furniture, and mattresses and box springs. Please remove doors from refrigerators or place door side down, as to not allow entry.

The following items WILL NOT be collected: Old clothes, shoes, cardboard, etc., tree limbs, stumps, leaves, any yard-clearing debris, construction/demolition materials such as lumber, toilets, windows, doors, etc., any hazardous materials (oil based paint, pesticides, etc.) Water based paint can be picked up but must be dried out. All normal household garbage must be disposed of in your black can. *The next bulk pick up is October 13, 2021*.

Town residents are welcome and encouraged to utilize the Recycling Center located at 4190 Bob Perry Rd, next to the Dare County Boat Ramp, to dispose of large items at their convenience. Please contact the Town Hall for hours and requirements.





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Police Officer II, Amy Heckhaus has joined the Kitty Hawk Police Department. Amy has a Bachelor's Degree in Communications from Salisbury University and started her law enforcement career in Farmington, New Mexico with the Farmington Police. She joins us with strong experience in community policing.

Amy has family ties to the Outer Banks and we are happy to welcome her to the community.



Several Town of Kitty Hawk Police staff have completed their FBI-LEEDA Trilogy. The threeweek course consists of Supervisor Leadership, Command Leadership, and Executive Leadership training.

**Pictured from Left:** Detective Jason Rigler, Sergeant Brian Strickland, and Sergeant James Helms.



# **Smoke Alarms Save Lives of Kitty Hawk Residents**

Earlier this month, Kitty Hawk Fire Department responded to a house fire in the early morning hours, just after 4 AM, involving a multi-family residence.

The fire started in the garage and dangerous smoke quickly spread to the living spaces. Fortunately, working smoke alarms were installed throughout the structure and the occupants were awoken by the sound of the alarms and were able to exit safely just as firefighters arrived and quickly extinguished the fire.



Photo From Southern Shores Fire Department Facebook Page

We share this story as a powerful reminder of the importance of having working smoke alarms in our homes.

# **Kitty Hawk Fire Department Extends Free Smoke Alarm Installation Program**

Kitty Hawk Fire Department, in partnership with the American Red Cross, is extending our free smoke alarm installation program to June 5th which coincides with the Office of the State Fire Marshal's free smoke alarm initiative.

Please share this information with your neighbors, especially those that may be disabled, elderly, or are unable to acquire and install a smoke alarm. All it takes is a simple



phone call to the Station at 252-261-2666 to request your no-cost alarm that will be installed by firefighters.

Remember, "Fire is Everyone's Fight" so let's work together to make Kitty Hawk a fire-safe community.

# **Household Hazardous Waste Collection Days**



Dare County will be hosting a Household Hazardous Waste Collection in 3 locations:\*

NORTHERN BEACH COLLECTION Thursday, May 13, 2021 from 9 a.m. - 3p.m.

Location: Kitty Hawk Town Hall at 101 Veterans Memorial Drive, Kitty Hawk

**BUXTON COLLECTION** 

Friday, May 14, 2021 from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Location: Buxton Transfer Station at 47015 Buxton Back Road Buxton

MANTEO COLLECTION

Saturday, May 15, 2021 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Location: Dare County Public Works at 1018 Driftwood Drive Manteo

\*This collection is for Dare County residents and agricultural community ONLY. Residents may use any of the three locations noted above.

# **ACCEPTABLE MATERIALS:**

- Paint, polishes & varnishes

- Fuel additives

- Pesticides

- Small Batteries

transmission, etc)

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# ITEMS THAT ARE TYPICALLY NOT ACCEPTED:

- 55 gallon drums of material

Mark unlabeled containers.

For more information contact: Doug Huff 252-475-5843

# Kitty Hawk Fire Department is Recruiting Volunteers Incentives Available Call 252-261-2666 for more information.

The Town of Kitty Hawk's newsletter is sent electronically to anyone who wants to receive it. Paper copies of the newsletter are available at Town Hall. The newsletter does not present or represent opinions of the Town Council.



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