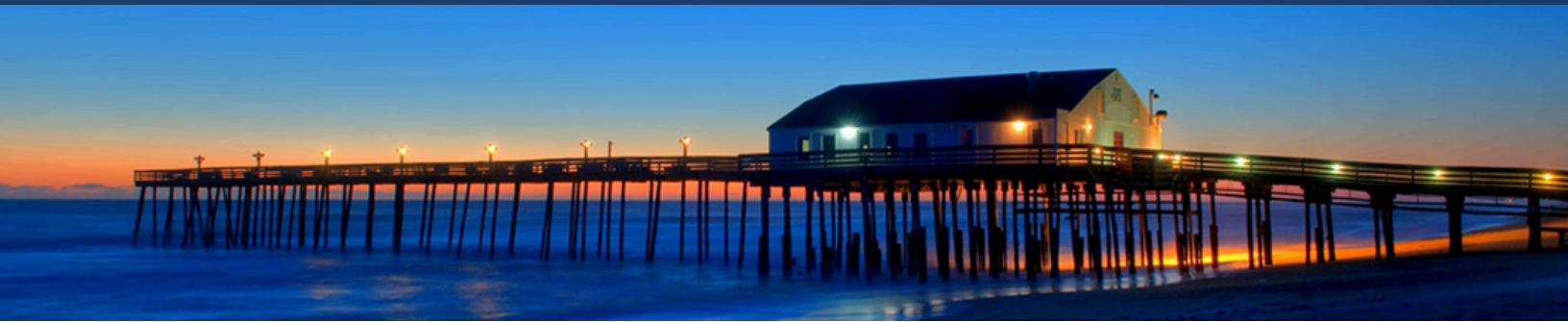




# TOWN OF KITTY HAWK

101 Veterans Memorial Drive  
PO Box 549, Kitty Hawk, NC 27949 ~ 252-261-3552  
Fax 252-261-7900  
[www.kittyhawknc.gov](http://www.kittyhawknc.gov)



## Town Manager Message

Summer has come to an end, and the town staff is looking forward to the fall season. There are exciting things happening, and we have several upcoming community events and activities planned in Kitty Hawk.

Our contractor is making visible progress on the Police Station building. Interior demolition is complete; exterior siding has been removed, two walls have been replaced with cinderblocks for more stability, and the foundation for the new portion of the building has been completed. The plumbing rough-in is done and the electrical work is in process. An interior and exterior concrete slab will be poured in the upcoming weeks. In addition, the roof is currently being replaced. The project is on schedule and budget. We anticipate a mid-spring move-in.

The Town's volunteer Recreation Committee has worked diligently to recommend a trail around Town Hall. They are looking for volunteers to help with this project and hope to begin work in late October. Please reach out to Town Hall for more information about this volunteering opportunity.

Dare County has started constructing a much-needed northern EMS station at 4904 N. Croatan Hwy. As part of this project, a Fire Bay will also be built for use by Kitty Hawk Fire and Rescue.

We are organizing several community events, including a community trash collection, a flu shot clinic with Outer Banks Health, a Hocus Pocus movie night, and capping off the season with our 2nd annual Santa Motorcade.

Town staff and I are committed to serving our community and making this the best place to live and work.

Sincerely,

*Melody C. Clapton*

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# Town Calendar

**Town Council Meeting**

Monday, October 7, 2024 at 6:00 pm

**Keep It Clean Trash Pick Up**

Saturday, October 12, 2024 at 10:00 am

**Town-Wide Chipping Begins**

Monday, October 14, 2024

**Planning Board Meeting**

Thursday, October 17, 2024 at 6:00 pm

**Hocus Pocus Movie Night at Town Hall**

Thursday, October 24, 2024 at 7:00 pm

**Recreation Committee Meeting**

Tuesday, October 29, 2024 at 6:00 pm

**Flu Shot Clinic at Town Hall**

Wednesday, October 30, 2024 at 1:00 pm

**Town Council Meeting**

Monday, November 4, 2024 at 5:00 pm

**Town Offices Closed- Veterans Day**

Monday, November 11, 2024

**Planning Board Meeting**

Thursday, November 14 , 2024 at 6:00 pm

**Town Offices Closed- Thanksgiving**

Thurs/Fri, November 28 & 29, 2024

**Town Council Meeting**

Monday, December 2, 2024 at 6:00 pm

**Planning Board Meeting**

Thursday, December 12, 2024 at 6:00 pm

**Second Annual Santa Motorcade**

Wednesday, December 18, 2024 at 6:00 pm

**Town Offices Closed- Christmas**

Tues/Weds/Thurs, December 24-26, 2024

**Town Offices Closed- New Years Day**

Wednesday, January 1, 2025

# Town Events



## KEEP IT CLEAN KITTY HAWK!

JOIN US FOR TRASH CLEAN  
UP FROM 10 AM TO NOON,  
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12TH  
AT TOWN HALL

All supplies will be provided, appreciation lunch to follow. To register to volunteer, click the link below. Contact Town Hall for additional information at [info@kittyhawktown.net](mailto:info@kittyhawktown.net) or call 252-261-3552.

**OCTOBER 12, 2024**

101 Veterans Memorial Drive, Kitty Hawk NC

[REGISTER HERE!](#)

[www.kittyhawknv.gov.com](http://www.kittyhawknv.gov.com)



**Keep it Clean Kitty Hawk Fall  
Trash Clean Up**  
**Saturday, October 12th at 10 am**  
**Supplies provided, lunch to follow!**  
**[Click here to sign up to volunteer!](#)**

**First Ever Town Outdoor Movie Night**  
**Featuring Disney’s Hocus Pocus**  
**Kitty Hawk Town Hall**  
**101 Veterans Memorial Drive**  
**Thursday, October 24th at 6:30 pm**  
**Free admission**



TOWN OF KITTY HAWK

## Outdoor MOVIE NIGHT

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24TH

START AT 6:30 PM

101 VETERANS MEMORIAL DRIVE

BRING YOUR CHAIRS!



OUTDOOR MOVIE

FREE ADMISSION!



CALL TOWN HALL AT 252-261-3552 FOR MORE INFO!



# Town Events



The Town of Kitty Hawk is hosting a diaper drive in support of Children and Youth Partnership. Donations of unopened packs of diaper in sizes 1 through 6. Donations will be accepted at Town Hall through October 6th. See details on Page 17. Purchases can be made online via CYP's Amazon Wish List. [Click here for link!](#)



Outer Banks Health is Hosting a Flu Shot Clinic at Kitty Hawk Town Hall  
101 Veterans Memorial Drive  
Wednesday, October 30th  
1:30 pm to 4:30 pm  
Scan QR code on flyer on Page 16 to schedule an appointment



Mark your calendar for the Second Annual Town of Kitty Hawk Santa Motorcade!  
The route will begin Wednesday, December 18th at 6 pm. Details to come on Facebook, make sure to follow us!



# NEW FACES

**Gavin Sorrell**

Fire Department

Part time Firefighter

*Hired July 16, 2024*



**Alex Hux**

Fire Department

Part time Firefighter

*Hired July 2, 2024*

**Joshua Hardison**

Fire Department

Part time Firefighter

*Hired July 30, 2024*



**Greg Hardin**

Public Works

Custodian

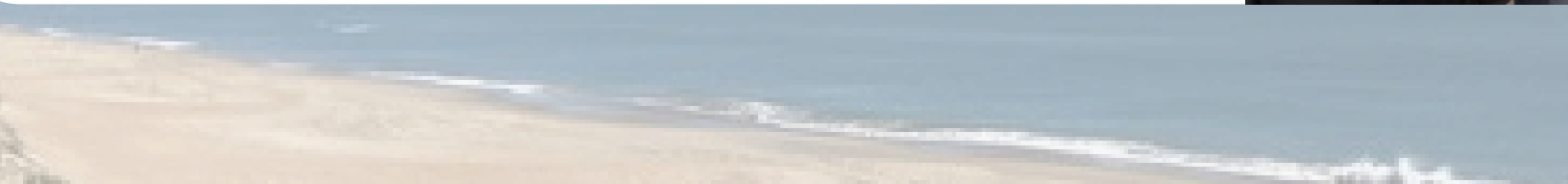
*Hired August 13, 2024*

**Ben Elko**

Police Department

BLET Police Trainee

*Hired August 14, 2024*



**Lalani Baker**

Fire Department

Volunteer Firefighter

*Hired August 14 , 2024*



**Thomas Hill**

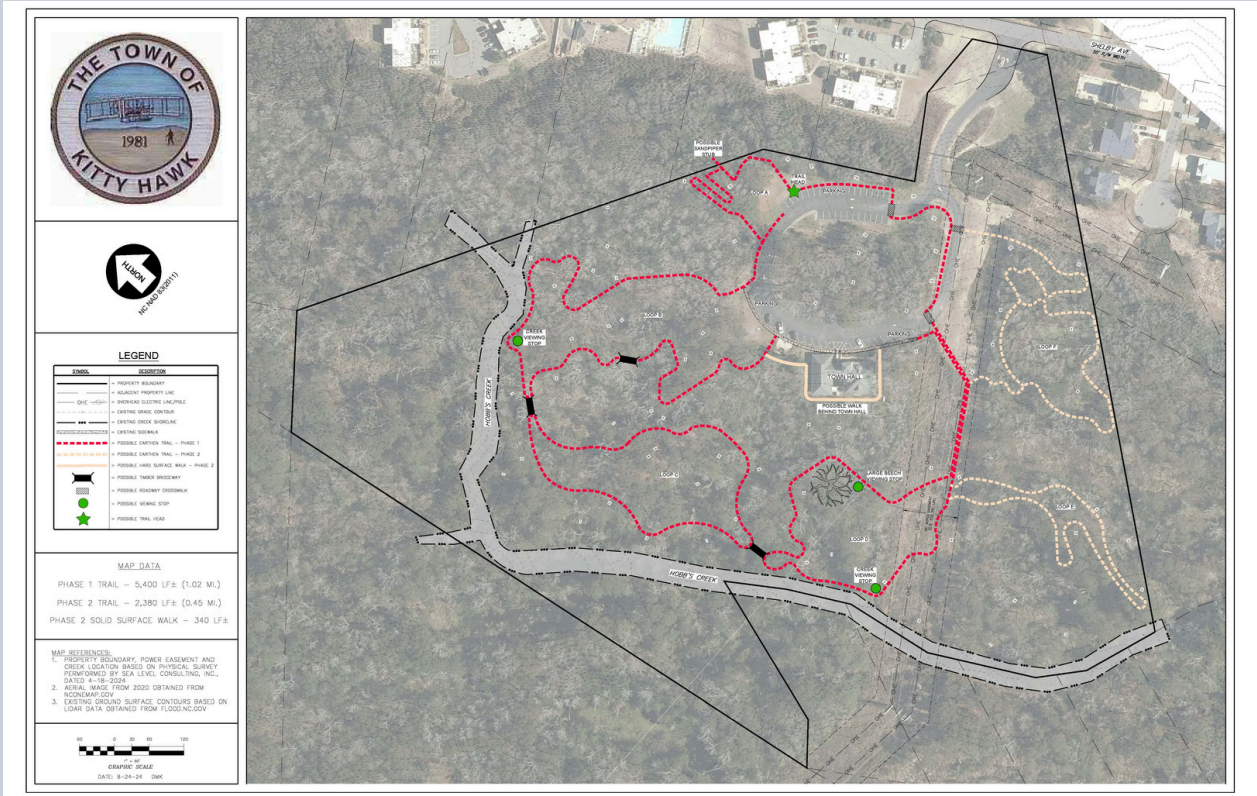
Fire Department

Volunteer Firefighter

*Hired September 27, 2024*



# Coming Soon!



The Kitty Hawk Town Council recently approved a new Town Hall trail proposal by the Town’s Recreation Committee. The first phase of the new trail spanning just over one mile in length, is scheduled to begin initial clearing in October 2024 with completion anticipated in March or April 2025. The Recreation Committee will be seeking volunteer assistance with building the trail. Stay informed by following the Town’s Facebook page as well as email notifications!



# Living with Wildlife

The Town of Kitty Hawk staff recently met with NC Wildlife Resources Commission to discuss resources and best practices when dealing with wildlife. NCWRC officer shared the following information regarding frequently asked questions about local wildlife.

**Q: I saw a nocturnal animal out during the day. Does it have rabies?**

**A: It's unlikely. Nocturnal animals can be awake during the day for many reasons, such as being disturbed or just looking for a "midday snack". Wildlife that live in towns or neighborhoods often become comfortable around people, and may not immediately run away.**

**Q: What are common signs of illness, such as rabies, in wildlife?**

**A: Unprovoked aggression, appearing drunk or confused, inability to maintain balance, fur loss or low body weight.**

**Q: Will the Wildlife Resources Commission remove a wild animal that is acting unusual?**

**A: NCWRC does not provide any trapping or wildlife removal services. If a person or pet has come into direct contact with a potentially rabid animal, contact Dare County Health and Human Services at 252-475-5080 to report a potential rabies exposure.**

**Q: How can I protect my pet from wildlife?**

**A: The best way to protect pets is by closely supervising while outside and keep dogs on a leash. Toy breeds are especially vulnerable and should never be left outside without supervision. Cats also should not be allowed to roam freely outside.**

**Q: What should I do if I find injured wildlife?**

**A: Be extremely cautious when approaching potentially injured wildlife. You can find a licensed wildlife rehabilitator at <https://ncwrc.maps.arcgis.com/apps/>**

**The NCWRC can be contacted via email at [HWI@ncwildlife.org](mailto:HWI@ncwildlife.org)**

**The Wildlife Helpline is open Monday through Friday 8 am to 5pm**

**Call 1-866-318-2401**



# Town of Kitty Hawk Annual Financial Audit



Government audits are essential for maintaining transparency and accountability. In the Town of Kitty Hawk, these audits are conducted by qualified certified public accountants, who ensure the accuracy of financial statements, the effectiveness of internal controls, and the lawful use of public funds.

Auditors review financial records, assess internal controls to prevent fraud, and verify public funds are used responsibly and align with their intended purposes. They also evaluate the performance of town officials and report any irregularities for corrective action.

The audit process includes thorough planning, risk assessments, fieldwork, and the preparation of a comprehensive report, which is submitted to the North Carolina Local Government Commission. The report is shared with the town, oversight bodies, and the public.

Kitty Hawk’s annual audit occurs between August and October, with the final report available on the town’s website: <https://www.kittyhawknc.gov/audits/>.





# Kitty Hawk Public Works Department

**On-Demand Large Item Pick Active as of September 20th**  
**[Click here to complete a request form!](#)**



**Chipping begins October 14th**  
**[Click here for a link to fall chipping guidelines!](#)**





# KITTY HAWK POLICE DEPARTMENT

*Policing in Paradise!*

## Police Officer of the Quarter Announced!

Join us in congratulating Officer Morris for earning Officer of the Quarter for Q4 of 2024! We thank him for his exemplary service to our community and the Town of Kitty Hawk. Criteria for consideration includes productivity, leadership, community engagement, customer service and involvement. The leadership team collectively agreed that Officer Morris demonstrated excellence in all five criteria.



# KITTY HAWK POLICE DEPARTMENT

*Policing in Paradise!*

The Kitty Hawk Police Department is excited to partner with Faith & Blue, a unique opportunity to strengthen the bonds between law enforcement and the community we serve. The collaboration is designed to foster mutual understanding between local faith groups and police officers through meaningful conversations, community-building activities and shared service.

The Faith & Blue initiative recognizes the importance of faith-based organizations in promoting peace and understanding. By bringing together law enforcement and members of the community, we aim to build trust, reduce biases, and create a safer, more united town for everyone.

Partnering with local churches, Kitty Hawk Police Department will be collecting donated non-perishable food items which will be distributed to people in need within our community. Final details are being worked out and will be distributed through our website, social media, and the participating churches networks. We look forward to expanding initiatives in support of Faith & Blue weekend in the years to come!



[www.FaithandBlue.ORG](http://www.FaithandBlue.ORG)

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# Kitty Hawk Police Department

*Policing in Paradise!*



The new Kitty Hawk Police Department is well underway. Construction crews have completed demolition work, are finishing the foundation to the new entrance addition, and replacing the roof. Framing of the new addition, siding, and window replacement will begin soon. It is exciting to see this building transform daily!



Kitty Hawk Police Department is actively recruiting and hiring experienced officers. We offer competitive salary, excellent benefits, and comprehensive training. If you're ready to serve and protect with integrity, apply today and become a part of something greater. Visit [kittyhawknc.gov/town-jobs](http://kittyhawknc.gov/town-jobs) to begin your journey!

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# KITTY HAWK FIRE RESCUE

## Fire Prevention Week: October 6th through 12th

As we observe Fire Prevention Week, the Town of Kitty Hawk reminds everyone of the importance of fire safety. This year's theme, "Smoke Alarms: Make Them Work for You!", highlights the simple yet life-saving measures we can all take to prevent fires and protect our homes. This year's campaign strives to educate everyone about the importance of having working smoke alarms in the home. The campaign's key calls to action are: **INSTALL**, **TEST**, and **REPLACE**. Fires can happen anywhere and at any time, and it is crucial to be prepared. Taking these small proactive steps can make a big difference in an emergency! Go to [nfpa.org](https://www.nfpa.org) to learn more.

Fire safety is everyone's responsibility, and Fire Prevention Week is the perfect time to review your family's fire preparedness plan. Make sure to check smoke detectors, discuss escape routes, and ensure fire extinguishers are in working order. Together, we can reduce the risk of fires and keep our community safe. For more fire safety tips and information, visit [fpw.com](https://www.fpw.com). Let's work together to keep our homes and families safe from fire.



# KITTY HAWK FIRE RESCUE

Please be aware that lifeguard stands are closed for the season. Ocean Rescue is currently performing roving patrols which will be suspended October 15th.



**Congratulations to Jeremiah LaCentra for being hired full-time by Garner Fire Rescue.**

**Thank you for your dedicated service to our department and the people of the Town of Kitty Hawk!**





# IMPORTANT REMINDERS

## Follow us on Facebook!

The Town of Kitty Hawk has launched its official Facebook page! Follow us to stay connected to the latest community news, events and meeting announcements.



The Outer Banks Tourism Bureau will be presenting their latest initiative, The Outer Banks Promise at the October 7th Town Council Meeting. Watch the link below for information on how you can participate in the Outer Banks Promise!



It's election season! Please be reminded that political signs must be installed in accordance with Section 42-577 of Kitty Hawk Town Code. Visit <https://www.kittyhawknc.gov/town-code/> or contact Town Hall for details.



OUTER BANKS HEALTH  
FLU SHOT CLINIC



COMMUNITY  
Flu Vaccines &  
Wellness  
Screenings

Outer Banks Health will offer free wellness screenings, which include blood pressure, heart rate, cholesterol, blood sugar, and body mass index, as well as health coaching. Flu vaccines are available for those 18-64 years of age. Anyone 65+ is encouraged to see their provider or local pharmacy for the higher-dose flu vaccines.

Walk-ins are welcome if appointments are available. Scan the QR code below to learn more and register. Questions? Call 252-449-4529.

Screenings will take place on the Health Coach vehicle in the parking lot.

**Tuesday, September 24 | 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.**

Family Recreation Park | 602 Mustian St, Kill Devil Hills

**Wednesday, September 25 | 2 p.m. – 5 p.m.**

Outer Banks Health Parking Lot | 4800 S Croatan Hwy, Nags Head

**Tuesday, October 1 | 4 p.m. – 7 p.m. (Nags Head National Night Out )**

Dowdy Park | 3005 S Croatan Hwy, Nags Head

**Wednesday, October 2 | 9 a.m. – noon**

Community Care Clinic of Dare | 425 W Health Center Dr, Nags Head

**Saturday, October 5 | 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. (Vintage OBX Fall Yard Sale)**

Central Square Shopping Center | 2910 S Croatan Hwy, Nags Head

**Friday, October 11 | 10:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.**

Harris Teeter – Corolla | 601 Currituck Clubhouse Dr, Corolla

**Wednesday, October 16 | 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.**

Kill Devil Hills Library | 400 S Mustian St, Kill Devil Hills

**Wednesday, October 30 | 10 a.m. – noon**

OBX Chevrolet | 6166 N Croatan Hwy, Kitty Hawk

**Wednesday, October 30 | 1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.**

Town of Kitty Hawk | 101 Veterans Memorial Dr, Kitty Hawk



**SCAN QR CODE TO  
SCHEDULE AN  
APPOINTMENT!**



[outerbankshealth.org](https://outerbankshealth.org) | 252-449-4500  
4800 S. Croatan Highway | Nags Head

**CHILDREN & YOUTH PARTNERSHIP**  
**DIAPER DRIVE**

Join us as we recognize

**Diaper Need Awareness Week**



September 23-September 29, 2024




**Did you know?**

- One in Two American families struggles to afford enough diapers for their child.
- Safety net programs such as WIC and SNAP (formerly Food Stamps) do not allow for the purchase of diapers.

**YOU can help!**

CYP's Diaper Bank relies on donations to provide diapers to families in our community. Scan the QR Code below or visit [darekids.org/diaper-bank](http://darekids.org/diaper-bank) to learn more!



**CYP's**   
**Diaper Bank**  
*A Change for the Better*



Children & Youth  
**Partnership**  
FOR DARE COUNTY

a partner  
in the  
  
Smart Start  
network.



# LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS CANDIDATE FORUMS



THE 2024  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONER  
CANDIDATE  
FORUM

Will also be live streamed in Buxton at  
The Fessenden Annex

THURSDAY 10.3.2024 7PM TO 8:30PM	Manteo Board Room 954 Marshall C. Collins Dr., Manteo
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THE 2024   
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Candidate  
Forum

Will also be live streamed in Buxton at  
The Fessenden Annex

MONDAY 9.30.2024 7PM TO 8:30PM	Manteo Board Room 954 Marshall C. Collins Dr., Manteo
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Public Event



# HURRICANE HELENE RELIEF



Photo from Biltmore Village in Asheville, NC by Stephan Pruitt



## PACK THE TRUCK

Hurricane Helene has caused significant damage in North Carolina, leaving many residents in need of urgent assistance. We are actively working with local and state authorities to coordinate relief efforts. Your support is crucial in helping us provide the necessary assistance to the communities affected in Western NC.

Officers from the Duck Police Department are going to Western NC on Friday, October 4 for recovery assistance. We are asking you to help pack the truck with supplies for those in need. Bring your donations to Town Hall by Thursday, October 3 at 8 7 p.m. to have your items delivered this week.

Should there be any future collection drives, those details will be shared on our platforms.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sports drinks (powdered packets)</li><li>• Hydration packs (powder form)</li><li>• Baby wipes</li><li>• Diapers (children and adults)</li><li>• Baby formula</li><li>• Bug spray</li><li>• Sunscreen</li><li>• Plastic utensils</li><li>• Manual can openers</li><li>• Trash bags (13 gallon or contractor bags)</li><li>• Rubber gloves</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Non- perishable foods</li><li>• Cleaning supplies</li><li>• Plastic sheeting/ tarps</li><li>• Toothbrushes</li><li>• Toothpaste</li><li>• Toiletries/ sanitation items</li><li>• Pet food (dog and cat)</li><li>• Hand sanitizer</li><li>• Sanitizer wipes</li><li>• Feminine hygiene products</li><li>• Heavy duty work gloves</li><li>• Socks - all sizes (unopened)</li><li>• Bottled water</li></ul> |
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**Please note that used clothes, hazmat materials, most chemicals, fuel, and flammable items cannot be accepted.**

Items can be dropped off at: Town of Duck Town Hall 1200 Duck Road   Duck, NC Monday, Sept. 30 - Thursday, Oct. 3 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM (7:00 PM on 10/3)	<b>FOR QUESTIONS:</b> ☎ Kay Nickens, 252-255-5955 🌐 knickens@townofduck.com
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**Monetary Donation Options:**  
**The Community Foundation of Western North Carolina**  
**Outer Banks Chamber of Commerce Gift Card Donation Drive**



# Kitty Hawk Town Council & Leadership

Mayor, Craig Garriss	252-261-4922	cgarriss@kittyhawktown.net
Mayor Pro Tempore, Jeff Pruitt	252-207-9055	jpruitt@kittyhawktown.net
Councilman, Dylan Tillett	252-202-3802	dylan.tillett@kittyhawktown.net
Councilman, David Hines	252-573-9547	david.hines@kittyhawktown.net
Councilwoman, Charlotte Walker	321-446-3744	charlotte.walker@kittyhawktown.net
Town Attorney, Casey C Varnell	252-261-2126	varnell@ncobxlaw.com
Town Manager, Melody C Clopton	252-261-3552	mclopton@kittyhawktown.net
PIO/Town Clerk, Lauren Garrett	252-261-3552	lauren.garrett@kittyhawktown.net

*The Town of Kitty Hawk's newsletter is sent via email to anyone who would like to receive it. Hard copies are available at Town Hall. The newsletter does not present or represent opinions of the Town Council.*

Four recycling bins are shown in a row. From left to right: a red bin, a blue bin, a yellow bin, and a green bin. Each bin has a recycling symbol and some text. The red bin has a recycling symbol and the word 'lastic'. The blue bin has a recycling symbol and the word 'trash'. The yellow bin has a recycling symbol and the word 'trash'. The green bin has a recycling symbol and the words 'mycop trash'.

**Be sure to check the Town website  
for the current Trash Schedule and latest  
updates!**

**<https://www.kittyhawkncc.gov/departments-and-services/public-works/garbage-collection/>**

**Don't forget about our Recycling Center located at  
4190 Bob Perry Road!**