Monthly Board of Commissioners Meeting set for Tuesday, January 12

The next regular Board of Commissioners Meeting is Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 4:30 PM (Note new meeting time). The meeting will be held at the Historic Train Depot, located at 115 S. Dickerson Street. Public Forum will begin at 5:30 PM (or thereabout), followed by the public hearings, as listed on page 2. A full meeting agenda can be found on the town’s website at www.burgawnc.gov. All interested parties are invited to attend in person or by phone (dial 1.910.705.3534, enter ID 159400681#). Oral and written comments welcome. For questions or assistance, please contact Town Clerk Kristin Wells at 663-3441 or kwells@burgawnc.gov.

Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee to meet about Capital Improvement Projects

Burgaw Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee is scheduled to meet on Monday, January 11th at 5:30 PM inside the Historic Burgaw Train Depot. All interested parties are invited to attend and express their opinions as the committee will be focusing on capital improvement projects in Town. If you plan to attend, please follow COVID-19 guidelines and wear a face covering. We look forward to seeing you on the 11th!
New employee joins the town’s Parks & Recreation Department

This week, the Parks & Recreation Department welcomed new employee, Riley Jordan, to the team. Riley is a former Elementary school teacher and former member of the Burgaw Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee. She served as an active volunteer prior to joining the Parks & Recreation Committee in January of 2020. Riley will mostly focus on special events, rentals, and serve as the point-of-contact for the Burgaw Tourism Development Authority. We welcome Riley to the team and wish her much success on this new journey!

Burgaw Incubator Kitchen scheduled for facelift

The Parks & Recreation Department has worked this week to receive quotes on the annual cleaning of the Burgaw Incubator Kitchen. The kitchen will be cleaned by Rainbow International starting next week, which will result in the kitchen being closed Wednesday, January 13th through Friday, January 15th. We will also be working with Valley Proteins later this month to begin annual drainage of the grease trap located in the back of the facility.

If anyone is interested in touring the facility for potential usage, please contact the Burgaw Parks & Recreation Department at recreation@burgawnc.gov or by calling their office at (910)-300-6401.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

The following public hearings will be held on Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 5:30 PM (or thereabout) during the regularly scheduled Board of Commissioners Meeting. All interested parties are invited to attend. Written or oral comments welcome.

Public Hearing #1

Consideration of a major subdivision preliminary plat application for Section 1 of Stapleton Place Subdivision a 15.02-acre tract containing twenty-six lots located across the street from Linda Lane, off NC Hwy 117, zoned R-7 – CZ1 and further identified as part of parcel identification number 3239-01-1907-0000. The Planning Board on November 19, 2020 recommended approval of the request. The request is to develop twenty-six single-family lots. The Burgaw Town Board of Commissioners will render a quasi-judicial decision whether to approve or deny the preliminary plat based on the requirements of the Town Unified Development Ordinance and evidence presented at the hearing. This public hearing was tabled from the regular Board of Commissioners Meeting on December 8, 2020.

Public Hearing #2

Consideration of a major subdivision preliminary plat for Section 2 of Stapleton Place Subdivision a 34.61-acre tract containing one hundred and two lots located across the street from Linda Lane, off NC Hwy 117, zoned R-7 – CZ1 and further identified as part of parcel identification number 3239-01-1907-0000. The Planning Board on November 19, 2020 recommended approval of the request. The Burgaw Town Board of Commissioners will render a quasi-judicial decision whether to approve or deny the preliminary plat based on the requirements of the Town Unified Development Ordinance and evidence presented at the hearing. This public hearing was tabled from the regular Board of Commissioners Meeting on December 8, 2020.

Public Hearing #3

Consideration of a major subdivision preliminary plat for Linda Lane Land Division, an eight-lot single-family subdivision, located between Linda Lane and Whrens Street on two parcels containing 3.62-acres. The proposed subdivision will be located off Linda Lane and Whrens Street zoned R-12 and further identified as parcel number(s) 3239-61-8269-0000 and 3229-61-7439-0000. The Planning Board on December 17, 2020 recommended approval of the request. The Burgaw Town Board of Commissioners will render a quasi-judicial decision whether to approve or deny the preliminary plat based on the requirements of the Town Unified Development Ordinance and evidence presented at the hearing.

Public Hearing #4

Consideration of a new Unified Development Ordinance mandated by the new North Carolina General Statute 160D. This legislation has changed Planning and Development law in North Carolina and mandated that local governments comply. The new Unified Development Ordinance will be introduced to the Burgaw Board of Commissioners. Discussion with the Board of Commissioners is expected along with addressing questions from the public at the public hearing.
Public Works wraps up the Christmas season

Christmas decorations have been slowly coming down this week. Everyone has been helping, weather permitting. Lights, wreaths, trees, Santa all were taken down and stored at Public Works for next year.

We want to thank everyone one more time for being patient and courteous while we worked to put up and take down the decorations, especially the extra ups and downs for the film crew.

Stay fire smart this winter

Burgaw Fire Department would like to remind everyone of some safety tips this winter season. Remember to only plug in one (1) heat-producing appliance into an electrical outlet at a time, and keep everything at least 3 feet away from the heat source.

For additional fire safety tips, visit the U.S. Fire Administration’s website at usfa.fema.gov/prevention.

Check out the progress on these projects in town:

There are currently 10 new homes under construction in Burgaw.

Lanier Do It Best Hardware has shell framing up with exterior metal being completed soon, which will complete their shell portion of their permit. Their designer is completing submittals for permitting interior work.

Pender County Courthouse renovations are still moving along well with wall framing inspections called in for this week. Some delays have been caused by existing roof problems which have now been evaluated and determined to need replacing due to unforeseen issues. The new projected completion has been moved back as a result. We have worked very closely and very well with the designers and we are very pleased with everyone working on this project.
Throughout the years, the town notifies our citizens when officers have become radar certified. The certification process is overseen by the state and is required for officers to utilize speed measuring devices for traffic and speed enforcement to promote safety. However, there is more needed than just officer certification. Every year, the Burgaw Police Department has all speed-measuring instruments tested for accuracy and are calibrated. The standards are established by the North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission. On Thursday, January 7th, 2021, a licensed technician certified that all radar and Lidar units (speed measuring instruments) were calibrated and tested accurately. So, having a certified officer and calibrated instruments ensures the citizens of accurate speed enforcement.

Burgaw Police radars receive annual certification and calibration

Show off your pets in our Pet-A-Palooza Contest

Do you have a pet at home that you are dying to show off? Enter today for our Pet-A-Palooza Photo Contest sponsored by the Burgaw Parks & Recreation Department. Visit burgawnc.gov/pets to enter, only one submission is allowed per pet. Registration will remain open until 5:00 PM on February 5th. Prizes will be awarded for our Best in Show, Most Creative, and Most Unique.

For more information on the Pet-A-Palooza contest, contact the Parks & Recreation Department at (910)-300-6401 or by email at rjordan@burgawnc.gov.
New Years Eve 1947 and New Years Day 1948 proved to be busy, but unsuccessful evenings for at least one would-be robber. The would-be robber attempted to gain entry by prying the locks on the rear door of Farrior’s Department Store causing damage to the screen door and large entrance door. Unable to get in, the robber moved over and pried a lock loose on Harrell’s Department Store, but also could not gain entry.

When night one of the robber’s spree did not work as hoped, the robber returned on the evening of New Years Day and attempted to break in to Farrior’s Store once again with no success. Feeling defeated, the robber took two week’s off from his Burgaw crime spree, and returned in the middle of January 1948 to Harrell’s Department Store, this time causing much damage to the front door of the store but not gaining access.

It is unknown if this robber or robbers were ever caught.
2021 Town of Burgaw Meeting Schedule

All meetings are held at the Historic Train Depot, located at 115 S. Dickerson Street, Burgaw, unless otherwise posted.

Meeting agendas can be found on the town’s website at BurgawNC.gov.

Notices for cancelations and special called meetings will be posted on the town’s website and weekly newsletter when necessary.

For questions or assistance, please contact the Town Clerk at 910-663-3441 or kwells@burgawnc.gov.

Board of Commissioners Meetings
Second Tuesday of every month | 4:30 PM
Public Forum/Public Hearings at 5:30 PM

Planning & Zoning Board Meetings
Third Thursday of every month | 5:30 PM

Burgaw Area Tourism Development Authority
First Thursday of every month | 8:30 AM

Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee
Second Monday of January, March, May, July, September, November | 5:30 PM

CodeRED® Emergency Notifications
The Town of Burgaw encourages citizens to sign up with CodeRED Emergency Notifications. This program is free and easy to sign up. You have the options to enter your phone numbers and/or email address to receive critical notifications from the town, such as severe weather alerts, important information, boil water advisories, etc. Sign up today by visiting our website at BurgawNC.gov and click “Code Red Signup” at the bottom of the homepage.

Public Works Emergency Response Number

PHONE # 910-470-0457

This phone is only answered after hours, between 4:30 PM - 7:30 AM, and is for water and sewer emergencies only. Unless Public Works has been given prior Notice from Town Hall, Public Works cannot turn your water on due to non-payment shut off.

2021 RECYCLING Schedule

EAST side of Railroad Right-of-way

| January 13 | July 14 |
| January 27 | July 28 |
| February 10 | August 11 |
| February 24 | August 25 |
| March 10 | September 8 |
| March 24 | September 22 |
| April 7 | October 6 |
| April 21 | October 20 |
| May 5 | November 3 |
| May 19 | November 17 |
| June 2 | December 1 |
| June 16 | December 15 |
| June 30 | December 29 |

WEST side of Railroad Right-of-way

| January 6 | July 7 |
| January 20 | July 21 |
| February 3 | August 4 |
| February 17 | August 18 |
| March 3 | September 1 |
| March 17 | September 15 |
| March 31 | September 29 |
| April 14 | October 13 |
| April 28 | October 27 |
| May 12 | November 10 |
| May 26 | November 24 |
| June 9 | December 8 |
| June 23 | December 22 |

“Railroad Right-of-way” is the Train Depot at 115 S. Dickerson Street

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Office Hours
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Monday-Friday

Utilities
663-3445

Parks & Town Events
300-6401

Human Resources
663-3444

Permitting & Inspections
663-3452

Public Works Department
259-2901

Police Department
Non-Emergency
259-4924

Fire Department
Non-Emergency
259-7494

Elected & Appointed Officials

Mayor
Kenneth T. Cowan

Mayor Pro Tem
Wilfred Robbins

Commissioners
Jan Dawson
James Murphy
Bill George
Vernon Harrell

Town Manager
James H. Gantt

Town Clerk
Kristin J. Wells

Town Attorney
Zachary Rivenbark

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