**Town Calendar**

**April 24 | 10:00 AM**
Child Abuse Prevention Awareness Community Walk/Run/Bike

**April 27 | 3:00 PM**
Special Board of Commissioners Meeting: Budget Work Session

**May 6 | 8:30 AM**
Tourism Development Authority Meeting

**May 10 | 5:30 PM**
Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting (Community House)

**May 11 | 4:30 PM**
Board of Commissioners Meeting

**May 21 | 6:00 PM**
Family Art Night

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**Child Abuse Prevention Awareness**
Community Walk/Run/Bike

**This Saturday, April 24 at 10 AM**

The event will begin at Rotary Park and loop around town on the Osgood Canal Walking Trail.

*Don’t forget to wear blue for National Child Abuse Prevention Month!*

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**Budget Work Session to be held Tuesday**

The Town Board of Commissioners will hold a special meeting on Tuesday, April 27, 2021 beginning at 3:00 PM to discuss the upcoming FY 21-22 operating budget. The meeting will be held at the Historic Train Depot located at 115 S. Dickerson Street, Burgaw. All interested parties are invited to attend.

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**Police Advisory Board Applications accepted through May**

We continue to seek applicants to fill the seven (7) member vacancies on the newly formed Police Advisory Board, which will be appointed by the Town of Burgaw Board of Commissioners. Members must reside within the corporate limits of town. The advisory board will meet quarterly and serve a two (2) year term. Interested citizens can visit burgawnc.gov/pab for more information and to download the membership application. Applications must be submitted by 5:00 PM on Friday, May 28, 2021, to the Town Clerk at 109 N. Walker Street, Burgaw NC 28425, or kwells@burgawnc.gov.

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**Shred & E-Recycle Day was a success**

On Friday, April 23, the town hosted a free on-site shred and electronic recycling event in the Town Hall parking lot. Over 30 residents took advantage of the services with many boxes of documents shredded and lots of electronics disposed of. We hope to continue this service twice a year, once in the spring and once in the fall.
Registration for Family Art Night opens April 26

Bring your family to our Family Art Night on May 21st! Art of Eden, a local artist, will be helping us learn to paint! The event will be located at the Historic Burgaw Train Depot and will begin at 6:00 pm. All supplies will be provided. The cost is $15 per person painting. This event is recommended for ages 6 and up! Registration opens on April 26th at 8:00 am. To register, please visit burgawnc.gov/art.

April is National Safe Digging Month

We would like to remind all residents to call NC811 if you plan on digging. NC811 is a free service that transmits information about where you are planning on digging to local facilities, not just Public Works, and the facilities then mark where their lines are prior to you digging.

Did you know every nine minutes an underground utility line is damaged because someone decided to dig without first calling 811. Beyond the devastating risks of death or injury, consider the costs of repair, fines and even inconvenience. From putting in a fence, planting a tree or building a deck, knowing where the power and water lines are before you dig will save a lot of time, money and pain later.

STAFF SPOTLIGHT

LOUIS HESSE
Building Code Administrator

Job Duties:
Enforcing life safety for properties and people

How long have you worked for the Town?
18 years

What do you love most about working with the Town?
Getting to know the public and assisting citizens and contractors

Fun Fact about me:
I love water skiing and snow skiing
MEETING NOTICE

The regular Planning & Zoning Board meeting for the month of May will be held on May 27, 2021 at 5:30 PM, instead of the usual third Thursday.

The Board of Adjustment will also meet on May 27, 2021 to discuss an appeal received regarding chickens in town.

A quick reminder from our Planning Department before making your list for spring projects!

If you are looking at building a fence or adding a tool shed on your property, there are several steps you need to take before getting started. Always contact the Burgaw Planning Department to get the permits you need before starting work. You can find the permit application on our website.

For further questions, please contact the Planning Department at 663-3452.

CHECK THIS OUT!

A Message from your Burgaw Tourism Development Authority

Stay LOCAL

Spend some time this week visiting some of your favorite places Burgaw! A visit to your favorite park, restaurant or store sounds like a perfect weekend activity for you and your family!

HISTORICAL FEATURE OF THE WEEK

Burgaw’s First Service Station

The first “Filling Station” in town was a trough of water in the main section of town for the horses, but with the town growing in vehicle population, the need arose for a vehicle service station. The first service station in Burgaw was Blake’s. The original building was a 10’x10’ building built in 1932. An addition was added to the building in 1940 to make the building a 10’x20’ and the sale of groceries was added. Business was so good in 1945 the Blakes had to build a larger building; the size of 26’x32’.

When the first service station was built in 1932, no streets in the Town of Burgaw were paved with the exception of Hwy 40, which is now known as Hwy 117—Business. Gas prices in 1932 were $0.17 per gallon or $0.35 for five gallons.
Sign up for Eye on Water

Leak alerts can be set up to send via text or email so you will know be the first to know when a potential leak has started. The system flags consistent usage over a 24-hour period as a ‘leak’, so make sure to check daily for spikes in usage. You can access Eye on Water via a web browser or mobile app.

There are also step-by-step instructions on our website to guide you through signing up, setting leaks alerts and learning how to read the graphs on the home screen.

https://eyeonwater.com/signup

For assistance, call Public Works at 259-2901.

Strawberry S’mores Dip Foil Pack

You Will Need
- 1 c. mini marshmallows
- 1 c. semisweet chocolate chips
- 1 c. strawberries, hulled and quartered
- Graham crackers

Directions
2. Layer marshmallows, chocolate chips, then strawberries in an even layer about 4 inches wide in center of one piece of foil. Place second sheet of foil on top and fold sides over 4 times to seal tightly.
3. Grill, covered, 4 minutes. Immediately cut open and serve with graham crackers for dipping.

Have a favorite recipe you would like to share with your community? Send it in and we will feature a seasonal recipe in Our Town! Recipes can be sent to the Town Clerk at kwells@burgawnc.gov or drop off at Town Hall.

Adults need to stay with children when they are in or around water. DO NOT read, use a cell phone or leave children to go someplace else.
Spring into ACTION

Planning a birthday party or family gathering?

The weather is warmer and one of our parks is the perfect place for your next gathering!

Consider reserving your own outdoor space at one of our park pavilions!

Visit us online at burgawnc.gov/rentals to check availability and to make your reservation today!

Get Involved
Have fun with our Parks & Recreation Department by volunteering your time to help with special events, activities, and sports. Becoming a volunteer firefighter with the Burgaw Fire Department is a rewarding opportunity, too!

Support Local Businesses
Spend more time in the town you love, shop local, and take advantage of convenient services right at your doorstep.

Attend Public Meetings
Whether it’s a Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee meeting or a Board of Commissioners Meeting, we welcome everyone to attend and stay informed. Check our website for meeting schedules.

Share Your Ideas
We love to hear from our citizens and visitors. Written and oral comments are always welcome on ways we can serve our community better. Applying for a vacancy on our advisory committees is a great way to show your interest in becoming more involved as well.

Help Keep Our Town Clean
Dispose of trash properly, keep your property clean and tidy, and notify Town Hall for any areas that need attention.

Hankins Park, 310 N. Walker Street
Harrell Park, 108 E. Ashe Street
Rotary Park, 102 Industrial Drive

Visit us online at burgawnc.gov/rentals to check availability and to make your reservation today!
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

The Burgaw Police Department would like to remind residents and family members of the RU Okay? Program. The program calls individuals weekly to check their safety and security. The program is open to Burgaw residents who are elderly, shut ins, or just could use someone to check in on them throughout the week. Those individuals are also notified during inclement weather conditions such as hurricanes or ice storms of safety concerns. If you or a family member are interested in being added to the program, please contact the Burgaw Police Department at 910-259-4924.

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

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