Town Calendar

September 6
Town offices closed in observance of Labor Day

September 13 | 5:30 PM
Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting

September 14 | 4:30 PM
Board of Commissioners Meeting

September 16 | 5:30 PM
Special Board of Adjustment Meeting and regular Planning & Zoning Board Meeting

New rates to reflect on utility bill due September 10

The Town of Burgaw has not increased water and sewer utility rates since 2015. The costs of operations, maintenance, and sewer treatment continue to increase from year to year. With contractual costs increasing for the treatment of our sewer and to keep our entire system properly maintained, the Board of Commissioners approved water and sewer rate increases with the adoption of the FY 2021-2022 budget. A new stormwater utility fee was also approved in the budget. See insert within the newsletter for more information about the stormwater utility fee. The new rate schedules can be found on our website at burgawnc.gov/budget. The new water and sewer rates, with the addition of the stormwater utility fee, will be reflected on the utility bill due September 10th, which will include usage between mid-July and mid-August.

Senior Bingo set for September 23

We are so excited to announce our first senior program! Senior Bingo will be held Thursday, September 23rd at 10:00 am at the Burgaw Community House, located at 102 E. Wilmington Street. This event is for anyone ages 55 or better! Bingo will cost $5 per person, and everyone will receive two cards. There will be plenty of prizes to go around! Feel free to bring your own refreshments to enjoy while you play. Please call the Parks, Recreation & Tourism Department at 910-661-3100 for more information or to register.

Stay In Touch!

@burgawNC
@townofburgaw
mail@burgawnc.gov
burgawnc.gov
910-259-2131
109 N. Walker Street
Keep calm and eat more candy!

Make sure to join us on October 23rd for our annual Halloween in the Park event. As all hallows eve approaches, we become more excited to scare up a good time with inflatables, carnival games, face paintings, horse rides, and LOTS OF CANDY. Make sure to leave your broom at the door and come celebrate the spirit of Halloween on October 23rd from 2:00pm -4:00pm at Rotary Park.

Let us realize that the privilege to work is a gift, That the power of work is a blessing, That love of work is success.
- David O. McKay

NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH

September is National Preparedness Month and the Town of Burgaw urges everyone to take time to create a plan for your home or business before disaster strikes. We encourage everyone to plan ahead to ensure that your loved ones and our community can recover from an emergency should one occur. For helpful information and checklists, please visit www.ready.gov. During the month of September, we urge you to take note of the weekly tips provided during the campaign.

Week 1 September 1-4:
Make a plan

Talk to your friends and family about how you will communicate before, during, and after a disaster. Make sure to update your plan based on the Centers for Disease Control recommendations due to the Coronavirus.

Calling all seniors

The Burgaw Parks, Recreation & Tourism Department is seeking to offer senior programs to all those ages 55 or better in the greater Burgaw area, and we need your help. If you are ages 55 or better and were unable to attend the Senior Activities Interest Meeting, please take a moment to fill out our quick survey at burgawnc.gov/seniors to help us find out which senior activities you would like to see in Town.

Did you know that recreation is the key to balanced human development? Participation in recreation promotes the acquisition of motor skills, social skills, creativity, and the development of cognitive function, which are important to successful integration into society.

Get involved today with the Town of Burgaw Parks, Recreation & Tourism Department by visiting burgawnc.gov/rec!
Share our newsletter with your friends and family

We would like to remind everyone that you can receive our weekly newsletter directly to your cell phone by text message and/or email. Please share with your friends and family. Our newsletter is the best way to stay informed of meetings, special events, and important information. To enroll, visit our website at www.burgawnc.gov and select “Notify Me” on the homepage. There are also options for enrolling to receive emergency notifications or when special events are added to our online calendar.

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

Historic Burgaw Train Depot

Prints by Ivey Hayes

Available for purchase at Town Hall for only $20!

Makes great gifts for your Burgaw friends and family!

Burgaw Antiqueplace

WHAT: Fine antiques, unusual collectibles and curiosities, original art, craft supplies and homemade fudge
WHERE: 101 S. Wright Street, Burgaw
HOURS: Tuesday-Saturday 10 AM - 5 PM
Sunday 1 PM - 5 PM; Closed Monday
PHONE: 910-259-7070
EMAIL: oldfinds@intrstar.net
WEBSITE: burgawantiqueplace.com

Each week, the Burgaw Tourism Development Authority (TDA) will select a registered business to be featured as TDA’s Business Spotlight of the Week. Keep in mind that depending on the number of applicants, it may take time before your business is featured as Business spotlight of the Week. Provide all required details to register your business. Please only register your business once. Registration is only open to businesses inside the Burgaw corporate limits. Participants can register by visiting burgawnc.gov/spotlight.
Stay safe and participate in the 9 PM routine

The Burgaw Police Department would like all citizens to take a little extra time every evening to help deter criminal activities around town. Call family and friends and ask them to join you by participating in the “9 PM Routine.” We encourage everyone to make it a habit to do the following actions each evening:

1. Turn on outside lights,
2. Ensure your windows and doors are closed and locked,
3. Close and secure garage and/or shed doors,
4. Remove any valuables from your vehicles and make sure they are locked, and
5. Report any suspicious activities or vehicles.

Utility Bill Reminders

- All utility payments are due by the 10th of the month.
- The Town allows a grace period until the 15th of the month.
- Late fees are imposed on all delinquent accounts on the 16th of the month.
- Disconnects occur on the 21st of the month for delinquent accounts.

NOTE: If you plan to pay around the 15th or 21st, we encourage you to make your payment by phone, visit Town Hall, or utilize the drop box. Online payments take 24-48 hours to reflect on your account in the utility billing system.

What’s COOKING IN OUR TOWN

SKILLET MAC & CHEESE

You Will Need
- 2 cups uncooked pasta, such as elbow noodles
- 2 Tbsp. butter
- 2 Tbsp. all-purpose flour
- 1.5 cups half-and-half cream
- 3/4 lb. process cheese (Velveeta), cubed
- Optional toppings: fresh arugula, halved cherry tomatoes and coarsely ground pepper

Directions
1) Cook pasta according to package directions; drain.
2) Meanwhile, in a large cast-iron or other heavy skillet, melt butter over medium heat. Stir in flour until smooth; gradually whisk in cream. Bring to a boil, stirring constantly. Cook and stir until thickened, about 2 minutes. Reduce heat; stir in cheese until melted.
3) Add macaroni; cook and stir until heated through. Top as desired.

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.
What is Stormwater?

Stormwater runoff is excess rainwater that runs off from land surfaces during and following rainfall. A certain amount of rainfall will naturally soak into the ground, particularly if the land cover is vegetated or has a tree canopy. Before land is developed for beneficial purposes, a significant portion of rainfall soaks (infiltrates) into the ground, thereby resulting in much less surface runoff.

In developed conditions, however, less of the rainfall can soak into the ground and surface runoff generally increases. Increased runoff contributes to higher peak flows in drainage systems and receiving streams, as well as a greater volume of runoff. Higher peak flows and greater volume contribute to urban stormwater management concerns, including flooding safety hazards, property damage, soil and stream erosion, and impacts to surface water quality and stream health.

Why use "impervious area" in determining stormwater charges?

The billing of all properties (residential or commercial) is based on impervious area. Impervious area is a term used to refer to hard surfaces on a property that do not allow rain to soak into the ground. Roofs, garages, carports, storage sheds, commercial buildings and concrete, gravel, or asphalt driveways, sidewalks, parking lots, and patios are all considered impervious areas.

The Stormwater Fee structure reflects the amount of runoff that each individual property contributes to the community's overall stormwater runoff. The more impervious surface area on a property, the greater the amount of stormwater that runs off into our culverts and streams, thus the greater the demand on the drainage infrastructure. The fee is set up so that properties that produce more runoff are assessed a greater stormwater fee.

What is an Equivalent Unit Residential (ERU) and how was it developed?

An Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU) is the unit of measurement that the Town of Burgaw uses for billing the Stormwater Fee. The ERU was developed by reviewing the impervious area of a statistical sampling of representative properties in Burgaw. Each property was measured and a median impervious surface area was determined to be about 2,400 square feet. Therefore, 2,400 sq ft equals one (1) ERU. All commercial, industrial, institutional, and multi-family properties were also measured. These properties will be assessed one (1) ERU for each 2,400 sq ft of impervious surface per month.
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 cancellations 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

Police Advisory Board
Third Tuesday of February, May, August, November | 5:30 PM

2021 RECYCLING SCHEDULE

EAST side of Railroad Right-of-way
July 14
July 28
August 11
August 25
September 8
September 22
October 6
October 20
November 3
November 17
December 1
December 15
December 29

WEST side of Railroad Right-of-way
July 7
July 21
August 4
August 18
September 1
September 15
September 29
October 13
October 27
November 10
November 24
December 8
December 22

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

Stay IN THE KNOW
Sign up with “Notify Me” on our website to receive the weekly newsletter and other important information directly to your email and/or via text message!
Visit BurgawNC.gov to sign up today!

BURGAW, NC
T-Shirts & License Tags

Stop by today to purchase a Burgaw, NC t-shirt and a license tag for just $10 each. Available for purchase Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm at Town Hall, 109 N. Walker Street.

Provided by the Burgaw Tourism Development Authority

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.