THE WEEKLY SPOTLIGHT

New Playground coming soon for Harrell Park

The Parks & Recreation Department is thrilled to announce that we have been approved for a matching grant through Burke and Barrs Recreation. The new equipment will be ordered next week and is set to have a schedule of around 8-10 weeks for installation. At the time of installation, Harrell Memorial Park will be closed to the public in order to complete all construction in a timely manner. Residents will be sent proper notification beforehand. To the right is an image of the proposed play equipment. Special thanks to Town Commissioners and staff for the assistance with this project.

A Message from the Manager – James Gantt

Family Fun Day: Employees and their families had the opportunity to participate in Family Fun Day, an event geared towards fellowship and fun while recognizing the employees for all their hard work over the past year. These types of events help to build morale and a stronger team all while giving the employees a break from the day to day job duties. We had a very successful event enjoyed by all who participated.

Improving Efficiency: We are always working to improve efficiencies within our departments. This week, a representative from our financial software system spent some time with us providing a review of our systems, training and information on new systems and possibilities.

Osgood Canal Project: We have received the final change order for the Osgood Canal Project that will address additional erosion control measures and complete the guardrail system on Fremont St. This should complete the project and we can close out our grant with Golden Leaf.
Clerk’s Corner – Kristin Wells

After a year of deployment with the National Guard, the staff gave a warm welcome back home to Fire Chief Jim Taylor this past Tuesday. We are happy to have him back with us!

Reminders:
• Kristin will be at her last session of Clerk School next week.
• James will be out of the office October 24, 25, & 28.

Welcome Home
Chief Taylor

Thank You for your Service

Parks & Recreation - Cody Suggs, Director

CivicRec: The Parks & Recreation Department is happy to announce the launching of CivicRec, our new online reservation module. This system is working out the last portion of design and will be ready to the public by Monday morning. Residents who wish to rent facilities here in Town will need to visit the site to create an account. Please note that the Parks & Recreation will no longer accept paper applications. No additional fees are associated with this site. The new CivicRec module can be found on our website under the Parks & Recreation page as well as the Facility Rental page.

Halloween in the Park: Halloween in the Park is set for October 19th at 2:00pm at Rotary Park. We will be monitoring the weather over the next 24 hours and will send out proper updates if we decide to re-schedule. Make sure to stop by with the family to enjoy food trucks, inflatables, carnival games, and LOTS OF CANDY! The event is free to the public and Halloween costumes are encouraged. If you have further questions regarding the event, please contact Cody Suggs at (910)-300-6401.

Halloween “Hey” Ride: Make sure to join us on October 26th from 4:00pm to 6:00pm for a partnered Halloween Bike Party through the beautiful Town of Burgaw. We will meet at Rotary Park next to Pender Early College and ride as a group through parts of the Osgood Trail and Historic Downtown. Costumes, bike decoration, music, bells, horns and whistles are encouraged. This is a free family friendly event. Children must be accompanied by an adult and wear a helmet.
Public Works Department - Alan Moore, Director

- Several repairs were done this week including the large water main break on South Campbell, Village on 18 lift station, the 2 inch water main on South Bennet, a water leak on West Satchwell and a water leak on West Bridgers Street.
- John, Jeremy and Robert installed a new sewer cleanout at the Cape Fear Farm Credit and repaired our Gehl excavator, replacing the front idlers on it.
- Mark and Chuck worked Monday to prep our wells for the state inspection on Tuesday.
- Green team worked on downtown beautification and Rotary Park last week to prep for the Family Fun Day, they picked up the stage and barricades from the ghost walk and did rain prep Tuesday to make sure drains and ditches were clear of debris.

Emergency Response Phone Number:
(910) 470-0457

Our on-call person this week is: Charles Hall

REMINDER!
This phone is only answered after hours, 4:30PM - 7:30AM and is for water and sewer emergencies only. Unless Public Works has been giving prior notice we cannot turn your water on due to non-payment shut off.

Police Department - Jim Hock, Police Chief

- The PD has completed our Law Enforcement Support Services (LESS) audit for this year. All items are accounted for and we are in good standing with the NC Department of Public Safety.
- As part of the Governors Highway Safety Program, the PD gains credits while completing training and participating in safety activities. With these credits, we are able to "purchase" equipment through the state. This year, the PD participated enough to order three (3) portable breath testing instruments. This saves the Town of Burgaw and the tax payers over $1,500.00 it would have cost to purchase them through the budget process.

Fire Department - Jim Taylor, Fire Chief

- The Board of Commissioners recently approved the surplus of two fire engines and one of those have been sold to Kelly Fire Department.
- We continue to share tips and information during Fire Prevention Month.

Halloween in the Park

Please be aware of an increase in pedestrian traffic and slow moving vehicles as people look for parking. Be aware of your surroundings and look out for children who may be distracted by costumes.

BE SAFE & HAVE FUN!

FIRE SAFETY DOs AND DON’Ts

- Sound the Alarm
- Just Get Out
- Crouch Low or Crawl When Escaping
- If clothes are on fire, drop and roll
- Electrical Installations: Gas Stove’s burners, hoses, regulators, LPG tanks
- Unplug electrical appliances if not in use. Avoid electrical overloading.
- Never leave lighted candles unattended

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We’re hiring! Come join our team!
We offer great benefits!

**Current Employment Opportunities**
- Permitting Technician
- Patrol Officer
- Maintenance Worker I
- Recreation Leader

For more information, please visit our website or contact our Human Resources Department at 663-3444.

**Upcoming Recycling Schedule**

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**Save the dates to celebrate Christmas with us!**

We are looking forward to a festive holiday season in the Town of Burgaw! Don’t miss out on the fun - mark your calendars for these upcoming Christmas events. Stay tuned to our Facebook page and website for more information.

- **Annual Christmas Tree Lighting**
  - Friday, November 29
- **Christmas Movie at the Depot**
  - Friday, December 13
- **Santa’s Workshop**
  - Saturday, December 14
- **Burgaw Christmas Parade**
  - Saturday, December 14
- **New Year’s Eve Blueberry Drop**
  - Tuesday, December 31