

# **News From Southern Shores Town Hall Friday, October 2, 2009**

## **From the Town Manager**

**REAL MEN WEAR PINK!** Mayor Don Smith and I have taken the challenge and in-turn challenge all the men of Southern Shores, citizens and employees alike, to wear pink every Friday in October in support of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. The goal is to send a visual message encouraging women to schedule their yearly mammograms. According to the American Cancer Society, the best defense against breast cancer is early detection. For more information about the Cancer Resource Center or to see how you can help with the fight against cancer, call the Outer Banks Hospital marketing department at 449-9184.

**DOMINION POWER:** Mayor Don Smith, Public Works Supervisor Tim Gregory and I attended the Dominion Power Executive Leadership meeting on Wednesday. A number of very informative topics were discussed. The Mayor advised Dominion that we regularly receive questions about and requests for the installation of power lines underground in our community. Dominion agreed to his request that they make a full presentation of their future plans and to address this specific concern at a Town Council meeting in the near future - we will keep you posted on the date.

**REMINDER:** The last day of lifeguard service was Wednesday September 30<sup>th</sup>. Lifeguard service will resume on May 1<sup>st</sup>. Swimmers are warned that they swim at their own risk.

Charlie Read,  
Town Manager

## **Mayors' Chat & Town Council Meeting Agenda**

The Mayors' Chat will be held Tuesday, October 6, at 6:00 PM followed by the Southern Shores Town Council at 7 PM at the Pitts Center. For more information on the Council Meeting go to [agenda](#).

## **Election Information & Reminder**

**REGISTRATION:** October 9<sup>th</sup> is the last day to register! All residents of Dare County who are not registered to vote must register by Friday, October 9th. Persons may register at the Board of Election Office, 954 Marshall C. Collins Drive, Manteo, NC Monday – Friday 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM. Registration forms are available at the Dare County Libraries and Town Halls in Dare County. For more information please call the Dare County Board of elections 475-5630.

**VOTING:** Early voting is held October 15th to October 30<sup>th</sup>. "One Stop" absentee voting is available at the Board of Elections Office, Monday through Friday from 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM and at the Baum and Fessenden Centers from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. The Dare

County Board of elections will be open on Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup> from 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM. Citizens may register to vote and vote at the same time during this period.

### **Candidate Forums**

The League of Women Voters of Dare County is sponsoring “Municipal Elections 2009 [Candidate Forums](#)”. A forum will be held for Southern Shores Voters who will be electing a Mayor and a Council Member on November 3. The Forum is on Wednesday, October 7, at 7 PM in the Pitts Center, come ask the candidates your questions and hear their views and visions.

### **FYI: NC Disposal Ban Update**

Beginning with Senate Bill 111 in 1989 and in subsequent legislation, the North Carolina General Assembly has established disposal bans on a wide range of materials. As outlined in North Carolina General Statute 130A-309.10(f), the following materials are banned from disposal in landfills effective, October 1, 2009:

- \* Plastic bottles (except for plastic pesticide containers)
- \* Used oil filters
- \* Wood pallets

In addition to the newly banned items listed above, the following items are currently banned by North Carolina General Statute 130A-309.10(f):

- \* Used motor oil
- \* Lead-acid batteries
- \* Aluminum cans
- \* Whole scraped tires
- \* ABC beverage containers
- \* Oyster shells
- \* Yard trash
- \* Antifreeze
- \* Appliances

### **Large Item Pickup, October 8<sup>th</sup>**

On Thursday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, Dare County will conduct the fall large item pickup in Southern Shores. For more information go to ["Large Item"](#). You may place your items out now for pickup.

### **Off Season Trash Schedule**

Trash pickup is back to the once a week, every Monday, as we enter the winter schedule. Recycling schedule changes: Starting Monday, October 5<sup>th</sup> we go to “off-season”, with recycling pickups on the first and third Mondays until June. Remember roll out Sunday night and roll in within 24 hours of pickup.

**Remember: Roll Out/Roll In – 24!!**

## **From the Canal Dredge Project Manager – Update**

The bid opening took place as scheduled on Sept. 28. Unfortunately, we did not have the 3 bidders required by state statute to open the bids. We have re-advertised the project and set a new bid opening date of Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>. The statute allows opening the bids at that time, even if there is only one bidder.

One of the requirements of the permit recently issued by the Corps of Engineers is that we relocate significant quantities of submerged aquatic vegetation (SAV). SAV needs to be moved from channel areas to be dredged to areas where they would not be impacted by the dredge itself and have a reasonable chance of survival.

In keeping with this provision we will be transplanting SAV at several locations. One will be a large triangle situated just north of the main channel encompassing about 1 ½ acres. Another will be south of the main channel near the west shore of the North Marina. In addition, there will be several locations within the canal.

If you see markers defining these areas, please do not remove them. This process may take a week or more, depending on the weather. You can expect to see 2 men in wet suits with shovels and floating baskets operating from a small aluminum boat. They work for Quible Engineering and are doing this relocation for the Town. Please use caution transiting the main channel while these folks are working in the water.

You can reach me with questions or comments at 252-619-5996 or [jwbobx@embarqmail.com](mailto:jwbobx@embarqmail.com). Tom Bennett

## **Travel Advisory for the Chesapeake Expressway**

FYI: Next week, there will be shoulder and lane closures at intersections and bridges along the Chesapeake Expressway. Most of the work will be performed during night time hours in order to avoid the heaviest traffic periods. For more information see [flyer](#).

## **Chipping**

The Chipper will be working Sector #1 the week of October 5<sup>th</sup>. All brush in Sector #1 should be out by Monday morning. Section #2 can start putting their brush out for chipping next week. Visit the [Town website](#) for more information on the Town Chipping Program. Chips are available, please contact [Sheila](#) with your address and place a sign off the rights-of-way where to put the chips. Not sure of what week your sector is this month; go to [Calendar](#).

## **Dates To Remember:**

- **Monday, October 5, recycling pickup**
- Planning Advisory Group meeting, Monday, October 5, 7 PM, Pitts Center
- Mayor's Chat, Tuesday, October 6, 6 PM, Pitts Center

- Town Council Meeting, Tuesday, October 6, 7 PM, Pitts Center [Agenda](#)
- Meet the Candidates, Wednesday, October 7, 7 PM, Pitts Center
- Large Item Pickup, October 8
- Wind Generation Meeting, Thursday, October 8, 3 PM, Pitts Center

*If you need a police officer, anytime day or night, please call Central Communications at 252-473-3444. Write that number down or pick up a free sticker at Town Hall. Keep this number by your home phone and put it on your cell phone.*

For more information, contact the Southern Shores Town Hall, 252-261-2394, 252-255-0876 (fax), [info@southernshores-nc.gov](mailto:info@southernshores-nc.gov) , [www.southernshores-nc.gov](http://www.southernshores-nc.gov) .

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