

News From Southern Shores Town Hall Wednesday, November 25, 2009

Have a Safe and Happy Thanksgiving!!

Town offices will be closed Thursday & Friday, November 26th & 27th in observation of Thanksgiving. Town Council and Staff wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving!!

From the Town Manager

Post-storm cleanup continues:

On Monday, Public Works Supervisor Tim Gregory and I met with FEMA, NC Division of Emergency Management (NCEM) and Dare County Emergency Management along with our colleagues from the county and other towns at the EOC in Manteo. We were given the go ahead to begin our beach cleanup and compile our documentation of expenses. Our beach cleanup was begun on Monday and will continue until completion.

On Tuesday administrative representatives of FEMA, NCEM, and Army corps of Engineers met with Town Staff and I at Town Hall to review our documentation and begin the application process for reimbursement of expenses incurred by the storm. Field representatives of those agencies visited the TOSS beaches along with Code Enforcement Administrator Alvin Rountree to assist with the required documentation.

The federal and state agencies are currently reviewing the overall extent of storm damage county-wide to determine what, if any, reimbursements will be forthcoming to the several towns within Dare County.

Outer Banks Hospital Development Council:

It is with humility and pride that I report my appointment to a 3-year term on the OBX Hospital Development Council, the fund raising arm of the OBX Hospital Board of Directors. Previous successes of this organization include the establishment of the Cancer Research Center. I pledge to work diligently and have my efforts reflect positively on the Town of Southern Shores.

From the Canal Dredge Project Manager – Update

As mentioned in an earlier update, we are awaiting approval of our use of a Hydrocycle, specifically, one manufactured by Deltank, before we can give our contractor notice to proceed with the Dredge. This approval must come from a number of State agencies. We learned on Tuesday the 24th that NC Marine Fisheries has given their OK to use this new method – another positive step forward! We are still targeting mid-December as our start date.

In following Broadcast Updates, you will be given more detailed information regarding the remaining approvals. Once the approvals are in and the project mobilized for execution, we will detail the operation of the equipment, the specific impact to the North Marina Dewatering Site, the Dredge sequence, and other information relevant to the project.

As always, your questions and thoughts are welcome, you can reach me at (252) 619-5996 or (E) jwbobx@embarqmail.com.

Wishing you a Happy Thanksgiving,
Tom Bennett

Town Council Meeting, December 1, 7 PM, Pitts Center –

Go to Agenda for this upcoming meeting. Town Council will be swearing in Mayor-elect Hal Denny and Council Member-elect George Kowalski. A mayor pro tem will be elected at this meeting also. Go to [Agenda](#) for complete meeting information.

Town Gifts

Come by Town Hall (Monday-Friday; 8:30-5:00) to pick up your Southern Shores t-shirts, ball caps, front license plates and license plate frames. We still have some “30th Anniversary t-shirts available at a reduce price of \$10.00. All items would make great stocking stuffers. Show your community pride and support Southern Shores!! To see items go to [Souvenirs](#).

Chipping

The Chipper will be working Sector #1 the week of December 7th. All brush in Sector #1 should be out by Monday morning December 7th. 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.

Dates To Remember:

- **No Recycling pickup, November 30th**
- Town Council meeting, Tuesday, December 1st, 7 PM, Pitts Center [Agenda](#)
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