



## Southern Shores Town Hall News Friday, June 4, 2010

### Emergency Planning

With the beginning of hurricane season, residents of Southern Shores are advised to plan ahead for safe travel and shelter in the event of a major storm. You are strongly urged to evacuate if and when ordered. Don't take chances with one of Mother Nature's most powerful, unpredictable phenomena. **No shelters are available on the Outer Banks and no services are likely during and immediately after a storm.** For more information about hurricane preparedness go to ["Prepare"](#).

### Disaster Help Wanted

Volunteers are always needed after an emergency. If you want to volunteer please call 261-2394, stop by Town Hall or email [Merrie](#). We will need medical services (doctors, nurses, EMT's), chainsaws and chainsaw operators (for downed trees, etc.), and general labor after the storm. If you volunteered last year you are still on the list, as a Town Disaster Volunteer, but **if you do not want to volunteer this year, please contact [Merrie](#).**

### County Re-entry Permits

Dare County Emergency Management office will not be sending out new re-entry permits. If you have a 2008-2009 permit on your vehicle that is still good. If you don't have one or never received one, you must show proof of property ownership or residency to be allowed to re-enter after a storm.

### From the Canal Dredge Project Manager - Update

Developments over this past week have been most encouraging. Byrd Brothers, the new lead Contractor, was able to reach an agreement for another dewatering and disposal site. Having this site available makes it possible to move ahead with the permit modification process, and should allow us to complete the restoration of the North Marina site.

On Tuesday, we met with representatives from the many regulatory agencies. We were given every reason to believe that our permit modification request will be handled positively and expeditiously. Our plan is to be able to start dredging in October. This should allow ample time to finally complete the first phase of our project.

At the next regular Town Council meeting on June 15, the contractor will brief the Council on the new approach to the project. The meeting is at 8 AM. It will be an excellent opportunity for everyone to learn more about the dredging plans, the equipment to be used and the anticipated schedule. Finally, you can reach me with questions or concerns at 252 619-5996 or [jwbobx@embarqmail.com](mailto:jwbobx@embarqmail.com).

Thank you, Tom Bennett

## **Beach and Dune Restrictions**

The following activities are prohibited on Southern Shores beaches:

- The erection of a tent, cabana, or umbrella which, in the opinion of Public Safety personnel prevents or disrupts the passage of emergency or ocean rescue vehicles and/or hampers the ability to provide adequate ocean rescue service by obstructing the line of sight to the water from lifeguard stands or other surveillance areas.
- Leaving unattended personal articles on the beach between the hours of sunset and sunrise. These items may include, but shall not be limited to volleyball nets, badminton nets, poles, tents, chairs, cabanas, sunshades, horseshoe stakes, croquet courses, umbrellas or any other personal property items.
- Substantially altering the contour or shape of the flat beach area by excessive digging or mounding of sand that presents a dangerous condition or is left unattended for any period of time without restoring the beach to its original condition.

The following activities are prohibited within the dune system of Southern Shores:

- Walking or traversing on the dunes outside of an improved or unimproved dune walkover access.
- Degrading, disturbing, or compromising the integrity of the dune structure.
- Playing, sliding, climbing, or rappelling on the frontal or primary dune or the dune escarpment.
- Discharging water into the dune where it will cause significant scouring or erosion or otherwise affect the integrity of the dune.
- Development activities without a valid building permit, Health Department approval, or CAMA authorization.
- Littering.

Exemptions. These restrictions shall not apply to the following activities:

- Development activities authorized or permitted by the Town, the Dare County Department of Environmental Health, or CAMA.
- Dune or property maintenance activities including planting or fertilization of vegetation, sand fence installation, minor dune repairs, and removal of litter or debris.
- Federal, State, and Local officials engaged in official regulatory activities.
- Persons engaged in research, conservation, or extension activities as authorized by the Town Manager.

### **Chipping **\*\* No Chipping until September\*\*****

**DO NOT PLACE ANY MORE BRUSH OUT.** Visit the [Town website](#) for more information on the Town Chipping Program.

**\*\*NO SCHEDULED CHIPPING IN JUNE, JULY, or AUGUST\*\*.** Persons placing their brush out for chipping during this time frame will be required to remove it from the Town's Right-of-Way. **\*\*\*Failure to do so will result in the Town bringing in the chipper for an unbudgeted service and the offender will be charged at the rate of \$175 per hour for that service.**

## **Dates To Remember:**

- **Recycling Pickup, Monday, June 7**
- Planning Advisory Group, Monday, June 7, Upstairs, Pitts Center
- Budget Workshop, Wednesday, June 9, 7 PM, Pitts Center
- "Meet & Greet" New Town Manager, Thursday, June 10, 1-4 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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