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COUNCIL ADOPTS FY 2019/2020 BUDGET



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On June 3, 2019 the Town Council conducted a public hearing and adopted the balanced Fiscal Year 2019/2020 Operating Budget for the Town of Kitty Hawk in the amount of \$10,152,437. The fiscal year for the Town begins July 1, 2019 and runs thru June 30, 2020. The adopted budget keeps the tax rate at .34 cents per \$100 valuation and requires no tax increase for FY 2019/2020.

The FY 2019/2020 budget focuses largely on maintaining the Town's existing infrastructure and places a strong emphasis on financial accountability to the tax payers in the Town of Kitty Hawk. The budget provides for \$943,000 in capital purchases to continue maintenance of our existing facilities and equipment. The projects and purchases include \$100,000 for the renovation of the Bath House located along NC 12, \$90,000 for new financial software, \$75,000 for the purchase of an 8" dewatering pump to be utilized in flooding situations, \$115,000 to replace three police patrol vehicles, and \$40,000 for the purchase of fire training equipment. The budget also includes setting aside \$200,000 from operating revenues for the construction of a future police department to be located on Town owned property on U.S. 158

It should also be noted that this budget continues to maintain the Town's Emergency reserve in the amount of \$3,500,000. This fund was established by the Town Council several years ago as a result of the Town's vulnerability to natural disasters and flooding.

In conclusion the theme of this year's budget is "Going Forward Together". This theme was selected as a result of the cohesiveness and hard work by the Town's residents, elected officials and employees that make Kitty Hawk a better place to live, work and play. The Mayor, Town Council, and Staff are excited about this upcoming fiscal year and invite you to review a copy of the adopted FY 2019/2020 budget by visiting the Town's website at www.kittyhawkncc.gov.



Town Calendar

Recreation Committee Meeting

Tuesday, July 30th 6:00 pm

Kitty Hawk Town Hall

Town Council Meeting

Monday, August 5th, 6:00 pm

Tuesday, September 9th, 6:00 pm

Kitty Hawk Town Hall

Town Council Meeting

Planning Board Meeting

2nd Thursday after Council Meeting

Next Meeting—August 15th, 6:00 pm

Kitty Hawk Town Hall

Labor Day Holiday—Offices Closed

Monday, September 2nd

Town Council Meeting Broadcast, Spectrum Cable 191

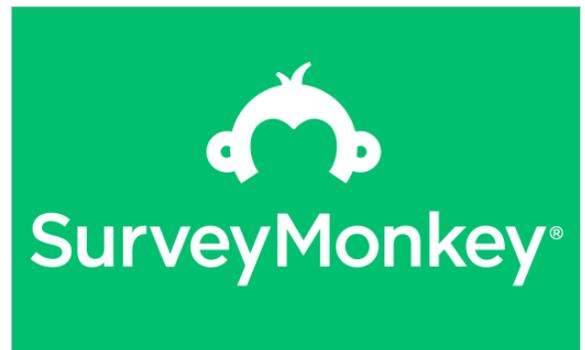
Thursday and Sunday following the meeting—1:00 pm & 7:00 pm

Large Item Pick Up

Monday, September 23, 2019

Dare County Residents Asked to Complete Survey on Flooding and Communications

Emergency Management is asking residents in towns and communities throughout Dare County to complete a survey about flooding. The survey takes less than 10 minutes to complete and will be used to explore ways to enhance citizen alerting and notification during weather events. The survey is available online at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GB8RBJM> through Friday, July 26.



If you have questions or need additional information, contact Dare County Public Information Officer Dorothy Hester at 252.475.5903 or dorothy@darenc.com.

Dare County Emergency Management Transitions to Online Reentry Permits



To improve reentry permit service delivery, Dare County Emergency Management has established an online reentry permit process. While no changes have been made to reentry priorities, **all permits can now be obtained at DareNC.com/reentry**. Permits from previous years will no longer be accepted.

While moving the process online allows permits to be obtained at any time, Dare County Emergency Management recommends going online now to obtain a 2019 permit. Doing so will help users understand how the new system works before permits are needed.

Following a mandatory evacuation order and when conditions allow, reentry priorities will be set by the

Dare County Control Group. As reentry guidelines are established, details will be announced immediately and available on the Dare County website and through the Dare County Alert and Notification System. To receive alerts anyone can subscribe in advance at DareNC.com/alerts.

During reentry, permit holders should print their permit and display it in plain view on the left side of their vehicle dashboard before arriving at a traffic control point. If unable to print your permit, have it readily available for display on your mobile device. Permit holders must also have their matching driver's license/identification ready for inspection by law enforcement officers. Following reentry, permit holders should continue to have their permit available along with matching identification available for inspection at checkpoints throughout the County.

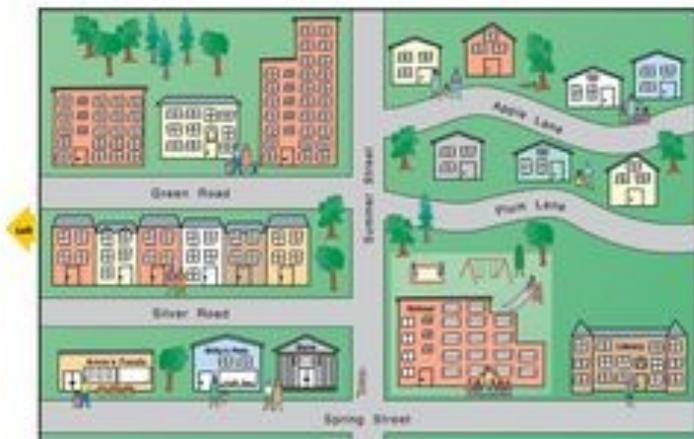
Please note the system will deliver permits as Adobe PDF files attached to an email from reentry@darenc.com. If you complete the application and do not receive a response from reentry@darenc.com, please be sure to check your spam/junk mail folder. Once issued, all permits expire at the end of the calendar year.

If you have questions about the new online reentry permit process, please call Dare County Emergency Management at 252.475.5655 during regular business hours, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.



NEXT LARGE ITEM PICK UP
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2019

Discover Dare County with New Community Map



Dare County Geographical Information Services (GIS) recently launched an interactive community map web application. The community map is accessible on any device and provides users the ability to explore Dare County like never before. Based on your location or by looking up an address, users can learn more about community amenities and discover a wide variety of useful information. Filter beach accesses, sound accesses and parks by amenity, get directions to the closest

recycling drop-off center, view walking trails and boardwalks, find local attractions, public docks, boat slips or kayak launches and view elected officials and polling locations. Transportation information is also available, including ferry schedules, traffic cameras, and evacuation routes. Access the community map at community.darecountync.gov

If you would like to make a suggestion or addition to the map, please contact GIS Coordinator Greg Ball at 252.475.5831 or gregb@darenc.com.

Fitness Stations Added to Sandy Run Park



At the request of the Town's Recreation Committee, Public Works has built and installed 3 fitness stations around Sandy Run Park. The easy-to-use stations include a hamstring stretch, balance beam, and a bar hop.

There are signs at each station explaining the proper use of the station. Should these stations become popular, there is room for adding additional stations within the park. Please contact a Recreation Committee member or Public Works for any questions, comments, or

Hamstring Stretch



Balance Beam

Bar Hop



Burning Regulations in Kitty Hawk

On the Beach

No open burning allowed. Burning is allowed in an enclosed container such as a grill.

In Other Areas of Town

Allowed burning must be natural material such as:

Grass Clippings

Tree Limbs

Untreated wood products

Charcoal

Fires Allowed Without a Permit

Enclosed in containers, including burn barrels, non-combustible fire pits-either homemade or commercial

Fires used for cooking

Small campfires at a designated campground

Fires Requiring a Permit

Open pit fires

Burning of yard debris not in an enclosure

*All open burning must be between 9:00 AM and 6:00 PM

Fire permit requirements

Fire can be no larger than 2 feet in height and 3 feet around

Wind speed must be less than 10 mph

Fire cannot be within 50 feet of a structure

Must be constantly attended with a water hose and rack or shovel

To obtain a permit or if you have any questions, please call Kitty Hawk Fire Department at (252) 261-2666



Town Council Recognizes Police Department Staff Members for Years of Service



Police Lieutenant Wade Styons was recognized for 20 years of service with the Town of Kitty Hawk's Police Department at the July 1, 2019 Town Council Meeting.

Police Detective Justin Langley was recognized for 5 years of service with the Town of Kitty Hawk's Police Department at the June 3, 2019 Town Council Meeting.



SPECIAL THANK YOU TO OUR LIVING SHORELINE VOLUNTEERS



The Town of Kitty Hawk partnered with NC Coastal Federation, NCDOT, Dare County Soil and Water, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and private landowners to design and construct a living shoreline project for Moor Shore Road. The project is now complete and is helping reduce erosion in that area. The Town would like to thank all volunteers who helped participate in the planting of marsh grass behind the wooden sill of the project. The Town had over 100 volunteers that planted 7,000 plugs of marsh grass over a two-day period. Thanks to everyone that made this project a success.

NOAA Predicts Near-normal 2019 Atlantic Hurricane Season

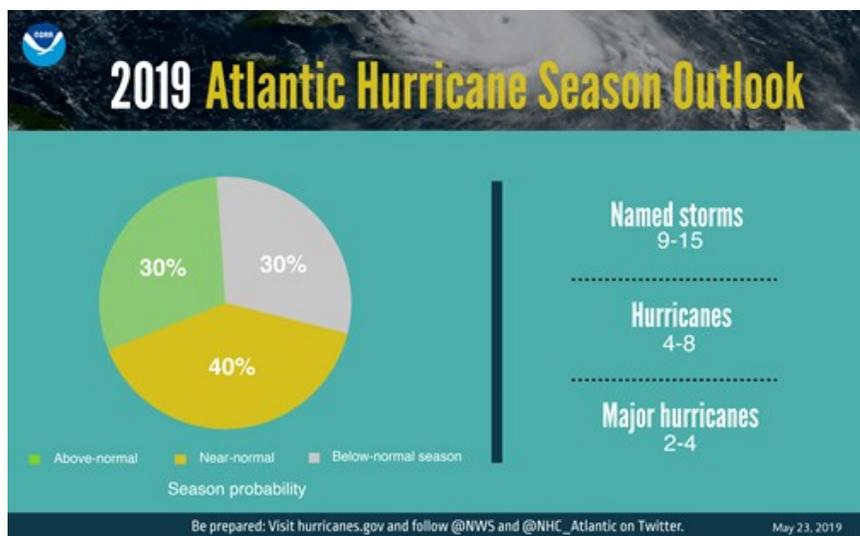
El Nino and warmer-than-average Atlantic help shape this season's intensity

May 23, 2019- NOAA's Climate Prediction Center is predicting that a near-normal Atlantic hurricane season is most likely this year. This outlook forecasts a 40% chance of a near-normal season, a 30% chance of an above-normal season and a 30% chance of a below-normal season. The hurricane season officially extends from June 1 to November 30.

For 2019, NOAA predicts a likely range of 9 to 15 named storms (winds of 39 mph or higher), of which 4 to 8 could become hurricanes (winds of 74 mph or higher), including 2 to 4 major hurricanes (category 3, 4 or 5; with winds of 111 mph or higher). NOAA provides these ranges with a 70% confidence. An average hurricane season produces 12 named storms, of which 6 become hurricanes, including 3 major hurricanes.

“With the 2019 hurricane season upon us, NOAA is leveraging cutting-edge tools to help secure Americans against the threat posed by hurricanes and tropical cyclones across both the Atlantic and Pacific,” said Secretary of Commerce Wilbur Ross. “Throughout hurricane season, dedicated NOAA staff will remain on alert for any danger to American lives and communities.”

This outlook reflects competing climate factors. The ongoing El Nino is expected to persist and suppress the intensity of the hurricane season. Countering El Nino is the expected



combination of warmer-than-average sea-surface temperatures in the tropical Atlantic Ocean and Caribbean Sea, and an enhanced west African monsoon, both of which favor increased hurricane activity.

“New satellite data and other upgrades to products and services from NOAA enable a more Weather-Ready Nation by providing the public and decision makers with the information needed to take action before,

during, and after a hurricane,” said Neil Jacobs, Ph.D., acting NOAA administrator.

The 2019 hurricane season marks the first time NOAA's fleet of Earth-observing satellites includes three operational next-generation satellites. Unique and valuable data from these satellites feed the hurricane forecast models used by forecasters to help users make critical decisions days in advance

NOAA's National Weather Service is making a planned upgrade to its Global Forecast System (GFS) flagship weather model – often called the American model – early in the 2019 hurricane season. This marks the first major upgrade to the dynamical core of the model in almost 40

years and will improve tropical cyclone track and intensity forecasts. “NOAA is driving towards a community-based development program for future weather and climate modeling to deliver the very best forecasts, by leveraging new investments in research and working with the weather enterprise,” added Jacobs.

NOAA’s National Hurricane Center and NWS office in San Juan will expand the coastal storm surge watches and warnings in 2019 to include Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. In addition, NHC will display excessive rainfall outlooks on its website, providing greater visibility of one of the most dangerous inland threats from hurricanes.

Also, this season, NOAA’s Hurricane Hunter aircraft will collect

higher-resolution data from upgraded onboard radar systems. These enhanced observations will be transmitted in near-real time to hurricane specialists at the National Hurricane Center, the Central Pacific Hurricane Center and forecasters at NWS Weather Forecast Offices..

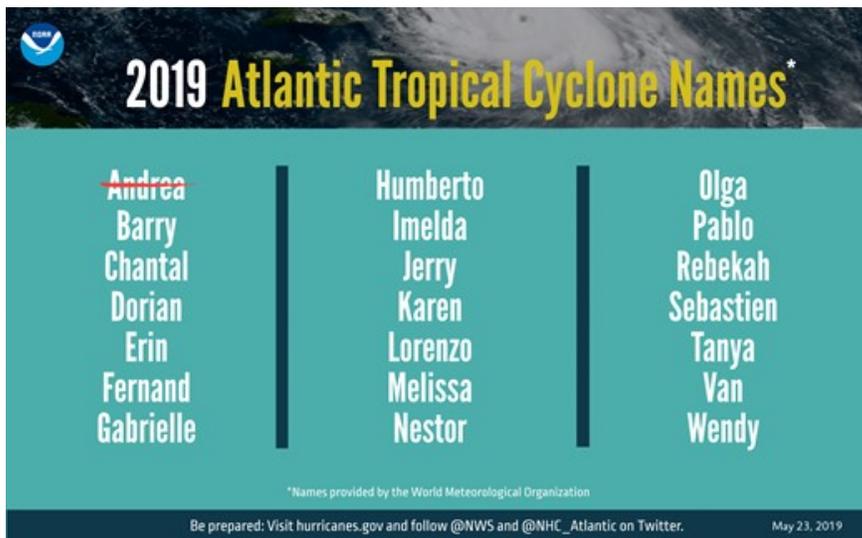
In addition to the Atlantic hurricane season outlook, NOAA also issued seasonal hurricane outlooks for the eastern and central Pacific basins. A 70% chance of an above-normal season is predicted for both the eastern and central Pacific regions. The eastern Pacific outlook calls for a 70% probability of 15 to 22 named storms, of which 8 to 13 are expected to become hurricanes, including 4 to 8 major hurricanes. The central Pacific outlook calls for a 70% probability of 5 to 8 tropical cyclones, which includes tropical depressions, tropical storms, and hurricanes.

NOAA’s outlook is for overall seasonal activity and is not a landfall forecast. Hurricane preparedness is critically important for the 2019 hurricane season, just as it is every year. Visit the National Hurricane Center’s website at hurricanes.gov throughout the season to stay current on any watches and warnings.

“Preparing ahead of a disaster is the responsibility of all levels of government, the private sector, and the public,” said Daniel Kaniewski, Ph.D., FEMA deputy administrator for resilience. “It only takes one event to devastate a community so now is the time to prepare. Do you have cash on hand? Do you have adequate insurance, including flood insurance? Does your family have communication and evacuation plans? Stay tuned to your local news and download the FEMA app to get alerts, and make sure you heed any warnings issued by local officials.”

NOAA’s Climate Prediction Center will update the 2019 Atlantic seasonal outlook in August just prior to the historical peak of the season.

Article from www.noaa.gov—Go to www.ready.gov for information on how to be prepared, to develop a family communications plan and how to build an emergency supply kit



***Kitty Hawk Fire Department is
Recruiting Volunteers
Incentives Available
Call 252-261-2666 for more
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