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Beach Nourishment Update

Project Schedule

The contractor for the Town of Kitty Hawk's Beach Nourishment Project, Great Lakes Dredge and Dock (GLDD), has provided an updated projected schedule for the beach nourishment work.

The project dates for Kitty Hawk have been moved back and construction is now projected to begin in late June and run through mid August. The process in Kitty Hawk is projected to last approximately 60 days.

The contractor generally begins mobilization operations, including laying subline and assembling land based machinery, one month prior to construction to be ready once the construction dredge is on site.

Please note that schedules are all subject to change.

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For latest project information, videos and to subscribe to project related emails please visit www.morebeachtolove.com

Southern Shores Joins Beach Nourishment Project

At their March 7, 2017 Southern Shores Town Council meeting, the Council gave authorization to move forward with the beach nourishment project. Assuming all necessary permits are issued to Southern Shores and Southern Shores becomes a party to the County's construction contract with the dredging contractor; the Southern Shores project will occur either at the beginning or the end of the Kitty Hawk project – **depending** on which end of the Kitty Hawk project the contractor decides to commence.

It is anticipated that the Southern Shores beach nourishment project (total length (2,500 feet including 1,000 ft. taper-end area) is **projected** to take 7-10 days – **depending** on weather and normal equipment operations.

Kitty Hawk to Receive Funds for Canal & Ditch Vegetative Debris Removal

The Town of Kitty Hawk was awarded a grant in the amount of \$190,050 to remove vegetative debris from the Town's canals and ditch network. The project was awarded under the North Carolina Disaster Recovery Act of 2016 to aid with repair of streams blocked and otherwise altered by Hurricane Matthew and Tropical Storm Hermine. Dare County Soil and Water played an instrumental role assisting the Town in receiving these grant funds.

The project will consist of removing any exposed and un-exposed vegetative debris within the Town of Kitty Hawk canal and ditch network. Non-vegetative debris such as trash will also be removed during these efforts. The project is expected to commence in 2017.



Large Item Pick-Up Scheduled for April 11, 2017

The Dare County Sanitation Department will be conducting a large item household pick-up for residential customers in Kitty Hawk on April 11, 2017. No commercial business debris will be picked up.

If large item pick-up falls on your regular garbage collection day, please do not block the garbage container. Materials must be at curbside no later than 6:00 a.m. on the date of collection. There will not be a second day pick-up.

On this special pick-up, the County **will** collect the following recyclable items: used auto tires, used motor oil (only in spill proof containers), auto radiators, scrap metals (rims, motor parts), appliances, furniture, and mattresses and box springs. Please remove doors from refrigerators.



The following items **will not** be collected: old clothes, shoes, cardboard, etc., stumps, leaves, any yard-clearing debris, construction/demolition materials such as lumber, toilets, windows, doors, etc., any hazardous materials (oil based paint, pesticides, etc.) Water based paint can be picked up but must be dried out. All normal household garbage must be disposed of in your trash can.

Town Calendar

Town Council Meeting

1st Monday of each month, except on Holidays
Next Meeting—Monday, April 3; 6:00 pm
Kitty Hawk Town Hall

Spring Chipping Service

Monday, April 10
Town Wide

Large Item Pick-Up

Tuesday, April 11
Town Wide

Planning Board Meeting

2nd Thursday after Council Meeting
Next Meeting—April 13th; 6:00 pm
Kitty Hawk Town Hall

2017-18 Budget Workshop—Town Council

Monday, April 24th; 9:00 AM
Kitty Hawk Town Hall

Town Council Meeting Broadcast, Charter Cable 191

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



Spring Chipping Service Will Take Place April 10, 2017



The spring chipping service for residential property owners will be April 10, 2017. Please have vegetative debris in the right-of-way prior to the day of pick-up. Once the chipper has gone through your area, it **will not** return. Size limitations: no larger than 4 inches in diameter and 6 feet long. **No stumps, lumber, leaves, or yard clippings.**

Stormwater Improvements Scheduled for Construction



The Town of Kitty Hawk will begin construction of four (4) additional pumping and discharge stations beginning in April and May of 2017 in several areas East of US 158. The stormwater improvements are located in the areas of Fonck Street, Bennett Street, Starfish Lane & Hallet/Perry Street. The pumping stations are intended to reduce the duration of flooding events in these areas during extreme inundation events. The Town engineer and the NC Department of Transportation are continuing the engineering and design for an additional pumping station near Tateway Road and Rabbit Hollow Area.

The use of these pumping stations and discharging stormwater in the Atlantic Ocean is regulated by the North Carolina Department of Water Quality (NC DWQ). NC DWQ only allows discharge into the Ocean when stormwater is fourteen (14) inches or more is standing on roadways, to allow for the passage of emergency vehicles. Therefore, it is important to note that these projects may only reduce the duration of flooding in these areas during extreme inundation events and that there is no solution that will eliminate the flooding conditions completely within these areas.



The Kitty Hawk Police Department participates in Project Child Safe. This is a nationwide program to help ensure safe and responsible firearms ownership and storage. It was developed by the National Shooting Sports Foundation and supported by a U.S. Department of Justice Grant.

The Police Department has gun locks available, for **FREE**, to the public. They are located in our front lobby. We encourage our residents to stop by and pick up a gunlock anytime during regular business hours. Our office is open Monday thru Friday 8:30 am until 5:00 pm

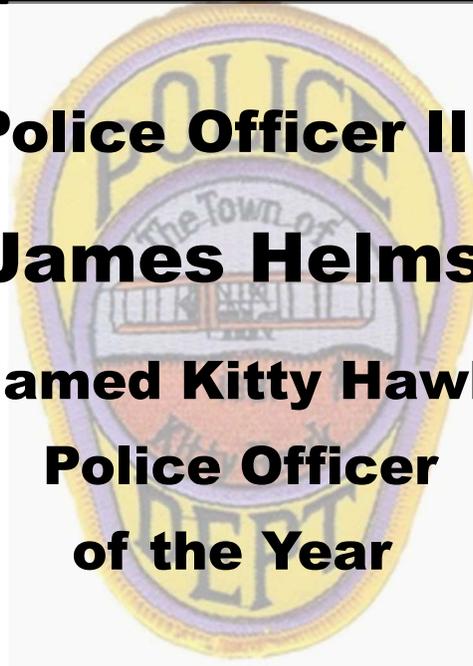


Police Officer III

James Helms

Named Kitty Hawk

**Police Officer
of the Year**

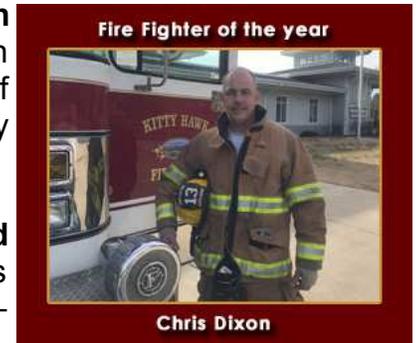




Kitty Hawk Fire Department Annual Awards Banquet

On January 21, 2017, the KHFD held its Annual Banquet at the Black Pelican Restaurant. Each year, our outstanding firefighters are recognized for their service to the department and the community.

The **2016 Firefighter of the Year** was awarded to **Christopher N. Dixon** for his outstanding service, loyalty, and dedication. Firefighter Dixon was also named Kitty Hawk Fire Department Association's Member of the Year. Chris is a full-time firefighter who began his service in January 2013.



Captain Daniel C. Lindsey was named **Fire Officer of the year** for his outstanding leadership. Dan is a full-time Fire Captain/Training Officer.



The following **Volunteer Firefighters** were also given special recognition for their hours of volunteer service to the department: **Anthony Hoggard, Ashley Lackore, Daniel Lane, Hugo Lee, Elayne Martin, Geoffrey Pickett, and Randy West.**

Kitty Hawk Firefighters Complete Advanced Training and Degrees

Our firefighters continually expand their professional education by attending State-wide community college fire-training programs for national certification. Two of our firefighters recently attained Associate Degrees.

Congratulations to Captain Robert P. Bent who graduated from Waldorf College in May, 2016, with an **Associate Degree in Fire Science.**

Congratulations to Fire Captain Ben Alexander, who is also Kitty Hawk's Fire Inspector, for graduating from Coastal Carolina Community College in December 2016 with an Associate Degree in Applied Science in Fire Protection Technology. Ben also has a B.S. degree in Business Administration from UNC-Chapel Hill.

Captain Jeremy Wilkins completed the National Fire Service Staff and Command Course from March 12 through March 17, 2017, at the Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute, University of Maryland. This course explores current and evolving concepts in Fire/EMS service management, leadership, and administration.

Firefighters Joe Case and Nick Oprea, spent one week in January at the N.C. Breathing Equipment School at Gaston College in Dallas, NC. This is an advanced firefighter/survival training, both physically and mentally challenging, which emulates real life fireground conditions. Several Kitty Hawk Firefighters are also graduates of this training school: **Michael Basilone, Brad Hansford, David McCulloch, Jasper Rogers, and Jeremy Wilkins.**



PLANNING AND INSPECTIONS DEPARTMENT PROVIDES FLOOD INFORMATION SERVICES

The Planning & Inspections Department provides flood information services upon request. The following services are available by calling the Department at 252-261-3552. Maps can be accessed on the Dare County website under GIS Maps (www.dare.nc.com/) and the NC State Flood Map website (fris.nc.gov/fris).

- **BASIC FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP (FIRM) INFORMATION:** Digital maps are used to determine if properties are located within the Special Flood Hazard Areas. This information would include the Community Number, Panel Number and Suffix, FIRM Index Date, Base flood Elevations & Datum used. It should also be noted that the Town has a 1 ft. freeboard. Freeboard means the height added to the base flood elevation (BFE) to account for the many unknown factors that could contribute to flood heights greater than the height calculated. The base flood elevation plus the freeboard establishes the regulatory flood protection elevation.
- **PROBLEMS NOT SHOWN OF FIRMS:** Information is available on local drainage problems and areas affected.
- **FLOOD DEPTH DATA:** This information is accessed from a State Website that predicts flood depth based on the hazard area designation.
- **SPECIAL FLOOD-RELATED HAZARDS:** Coastal erosion and erosion rates are available as well as information on wetlands & the Coastal Reserve
- **HISTORICAL FLOOD INFORMATION:** Whether or when an area flooded in the past and if property is in the mapped repetitive loss area.
- **NATURAL/PROTECTED FLOODPLAIN AREAS:** Information can be provided if a property is located within or near a natural or protected floodplain area and the potential impact to the surrounding area.
- **ELEVATION CERTIFICATES/LETTER OF MAP AMENDMENTS/LETTER OF MAP REVISIONS:** Copies are available upon request or can be viewed at the Town Offices.



It only takes one storm to change your life and community. Hurricane Preparedness Week (May 7-13, 2017) is your time to prepare for a potential land-falling tropical storm or hurricane. Go on www.ready.gov to find out information on how to: Determine your risk, Develop an evacuation plan; Assemble disaster supplies; Secure an insurance check-up; Strengthen your home; Check on your neighbor; and Complete your written hurricane plan.

SPRING HAS SPRUNG – GET READY FOR



Tornadoes, lightning, floods, rip currents and early season heat - spring is three months of danger that can imperil the unprepared. It roars in like a lion, rampaging across the United States throughout March, April and May. Spring hazards include:

- Severe Weather/Tornadoes
- Floods
- Lightning
- Rip Currents/Beach Hazards

Nobody knows the hazards of this dynamic season more than NOAA's National Weather Service (NWS). We ask that you get weather-ready for spring with just a few simple steps:

1. **Know Your Risk:** Check weather.gov every morning. It is a simple action that will ensure that you're ready for the day's weather. Don't leave home without knowing the forecast.
2. **Take Action!** Assemble an [emergency supplies kit](#) with 72 hours worth of food and water. In an emergency (such as after a tornado or some other hazard event), you may be stuck at home without electricity for three days or more. Make sure that you're prepared. Also, ensure that everyone in your life knows how to stay in touch with an [emergency communication plan](#). This plan lists meeting places and alternate ways of communicating in case of emergency.
3. **Be A Force of Nature:** Inspire others by sharing your weather-ready story on social media with the hashtag #SpringSafety. It can be as simple as posting a photo of your emergency supplies kit or letting your friends know how to reach you during an emergency. Together, we can build a Weather-Ready Nation, one that is ready for any extreme weather, water, or climate event.



SPRING HAZARDS

You are not powerless in the face of extreme weather and water events. Learn about the hazards most common to spring - and some that are threats year-round - and what you can do about them.

Spring is a time when **severe weather and tornadoes** are a threat for much of the Southeast and Great Plains. Since 2005, 49 states have come under a tornado warning; all 50 states have come under severe thunderstorm warnings; and lightning strikes occur in every state.

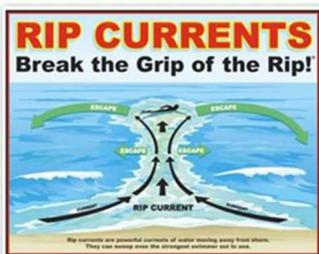
What to Do: You may have only minutes to find shelter before a tornado strikes. Practice a [family tornado drill](#) at least once a year.

Spring Weather Hazards (continued)



Due to heavy rain from thunderstorms, **flooding** is common across much of the U.S. in the spring. Flash flooding is the number one killer associated with severe weather. A mere six inches of fast-moving flood water can knock over an adult. It takes just 12 inches of rushing water to carry away a small car, while two feet of rushing water can carry away most vehicles.

What to Do: It's simple: Turn Around Don't Drown®. It is NEVER safe to drive or walk into flood waters.



Rip currents are powerful currents of water moving away from shore. They can sweep even the strongest swimmer away. Rip currents are deadliest during the spring and summer. Other beach hazards include extreme heat and dangerous waves. Stay safe this Spring Break and year-round.

What to Do: Break the grip of the rip! Check water conditions before going in by looking at the local beach forecast before you leave for the beach and talking to the lifeguard at the beach. Only swim at a beach with lifeguards. The chances of drowning at a beach with lifeguards are 1 in 18 million (U.S. Lifesaving Association).



Lightning strikes the United States about 25 million times a year. Although most lightning occurs in the summer, people can be struck at any time of year.

What to Do: When Thunder Roars, Go Indoors! No place outside is safe when thunderstorms are in the area.

From www.ready.gov



Town of Kitty Hawk
Bath House is OPEN for the season.

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



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