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COUNCIL ADOPTS FY 2017-2018 BUDGET

On June 5, 2017 the Town Council conducted a public hearing and adopted the balanced Fiscal Year 2017/2018 Operating Budget for the Town in the amount of \$9,988,613. The fiscal year for the Town begins July 1, 2017 and runs thru June 30, 2018. The adopted budget keeps the tax rate at .34 cents per \$100 valuation with an additional.12 cents in the municipal service district., requiring **no** tax increase.

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The FY 2017/2018 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 \$854,200 in capital purchases in an effort to maintain our existing facilities and equipment. The projects and purchases include \$180,000 for the installation of a Living Shoreline on Moore Shore Road, \$140,000 for a new grapple truck, \$90,000 for street resurfacing, \$105,000 to replace three police patrol vehicles, and \$18,000 for the purchase of three self-contained breathing apparatuses for the Fire Department. The budget also includes over \$234,050 in non-matching grant funding from other governmental-agencies with the majority of these funds being utilized to clean vegetative debris from the Town's canals and ditch network.

It should also be noted that the 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 "A destination for some....we call it "Home". This theme was selected as a result of the Town's efforts in providing quality service delivery during seasonal population spikes while ensuring residents are enjoying a high quality of life year round. The Mayor, Town Council, and Staff are excited about the upcoming fiscal year and look forward to making Kitty Hawk a better place to live, work, and play.

(A detailed fiscal year 2017/2018 budget can be viewed at www.kittyhawkncc.gov)



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

Countdown to Beach Nourishment Project

The Town of Kitty Hawk's beach nourishment project is getting closer; slated to begin immediately following the completion of the beaches in Kill Devil Hills. The beach nourishment project was originally scheduled to begin in the middle of June, however, changes to the contractors dredging schedule caused the project to begin in Kill Devil Hills before moving to Kitty Hawk. It is now estimated that construction of the Town's project will begin in August.

In the meantime, due to the location of the subline in Kill Devil Hills, the Town will receive approximately 2,000 linear feet adjacent to the Kill Devil Hills project at the southern end of Kitty Hawk .

Please visit www.MoreBeachtoLove.com for updates on current construction areas and anticipated progress of work.



Town Calendar

Town Offices Closed—Town Holiday
Tuesday, July 4, 2017



Town Council Meeting Changed

Next Meeting—Monday, July 10, 2017; 6:00 pm
Kitty Hawk Town Hall

Planning Board Meeting

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

Area Fourth of July Activities

Avon: Fireworks will be on Tuesday, July 4th at the Avon Fishing Pier

Manteo: Celebrate Independence Day with small town flair at the Town of Manteo 4th of July celebration. Participate in a wacky hat contest, decorated bike contest, apple pie eating contest and so much more. Fireworks will be on Tuesday, July 4th at Roanoke Island Festival Park.



Nags Head: Fireworks will be on Tuesday, July 4th at the Nags Head Pier.

Kill Devil Hills: Fireworks will be on **Friday, July 7th** at the Avalon Pier.

Kitty Hawk: No Fireworks scheduled

Southern Shores: No Fireworks scheduled

Duck: The 12th Annual Town of Duck 4th of July Parade is scheduled for **Tuesday, July 4th, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.**, immediately followed by the Community Celebration at Duck Town Park, 1200 Duck Road. No Fireworks scheduled

Corolla: The 24th Annual Independence Day Celebration in Corolla offers an afternoon of fun family activities. The event features food vendors, a corn hole tournament, watermelon eating contest, and children's games. Admission and parking are free; event starts at 5:00 p.m. with a fireworks display at dusk. Fireworks will be on Tuesday, July 4th at the Whalehead Club.

Safe Pet Vacation Kits Available

Did you know that all the Town Halls within Dare County have **SAFE PET VACATION KITS** available for visitors? They are provided by The Outer Banks SPCA and the Dare County Animal Shelter. The kit contains a temporary tag to add to your dog's collar so you can list your vacation home address and contact numbers while you are here. There is also information on who to contact in the event you and your dog get separated.

More pets get lost on July 4th than any other day of the year.

Source: HomeAgain

Keep your dog safe this Independence Day.

Share these eight tips for enjoying the Fourth of July with your dog.



1
Be sure your dog is wearing an up-to-date and visible ID tag on her collar at all times.



2
Take a current photo of your dog, just in case.



3
Exercise your dog early in the day before parties begin.



4
During cookouts, ask guests to play with your dog away from the flames.



6
Keep dog treats on hand for those who want to give your dog food.



5
Keep charcoal, fireworks, sparklers and glow sticks far from curious canines.



7
Leave your dog at home with a frozen stuffed treat during the fireworks.



8
If your dog is afraid of loud noises, leave gentle music playing to cover the fireworks.



Petfinder
SUMMER Pet
Safety

Learn more at www.petfinder.com/SummerPetSafety

Stormwater Improvements Under Construction



The Town is pleased to inform residents and property owners that the construction of four (4) additional pumping and discharge stations East of US 158 has commenced. The contractor recently completed the Hallet/Perry Street pumping station. The remaining three pumping stations will be constructed in the areas of Fonck Street, Bennett Street, Starfish Lane. Each additional pumping station is expected to take two weeks to complete. All pumping stations are expected to be completed by the end of July.



The Town anticipates minimal disruptions to visitors and residents during the construction process. The pumping stations are intended to reduce the duration of flooding events in these areas during extreme inundation events. For more information please contact the Public Works Department at 252-261-1367.

Kitty Hawk Canal and Ditch Cleaning to Begin in August

The Town of Kitty Hawk is scheduled to begin the removal of hurricane debris from the Town's canals and ditches in August. The Town of Kitty Hawk was awarded a grant in the amount of \$190,050 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. The Town Council is slated to approve the formal bid from Sampson Contracting Inc. at the July 10, 2017 Town Council Meeting.



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. In addition, the North Carolina Department of Transportation has agreed to work in conjunction with the Town of Kitty Hawk during the project to unclog any storm pipes within these ditch and canal networks. The overall goal of this project is to improve storm water drainage in the Town of Kitty Hawk.



It should be noted that the grant funding only provides removal of vegetative debris caused from Hurricane Matthew and Tropical Storm Hermine. Dredging or sediment removal during this project is not allowed under the grant guidelines.



KHFD FUND RAISER

Reverse Raffle Fundraiser and Dinner

The Kitty Hawk Fire Department will be hosting its **“Reverse Raffle” fundraiser on Saturday, August 26, 2017, at the Hilton Garden Inn, Kitty Hawk.** The event will begin at 6:00 p.m. and will include a buffet style dinner consisting of appetizers, fresh garden salad, fried fish and fried chicken, mashed potatoes, and chef’s choice of dessert.

Reverse Raffle tickets can be purchased for \$100.00, and each \$100.00 ticket includes two dinner tickets. Only 125 tickets are available for purchase. Dinner tickets can be purchased separately for \$25/each.

The highlight of the evening will be the “Reverse Raffle” drawing, where one lucky participant could win \$3,000.00. There will also be side board reverse raffles and bucket raffles, which will be played at the event.

Entertainment for the evening will be “Ruth Wyand and the Tribe of One.” Ruth Wyand, an award winning “fingerpicker, slide player, songwriter, and music historian,” is from Kill Devil Hills, NC. We know you will enjoy her style of “guitar playing with foot drums”, as well as her raw blues vocals.

If you have questions, please call us at (252) 261-2666. **To purchase tickets**, please stop by the Kitty Hawk Fire Department or contact a Kitty Hawk firefighter.

We would like to thank our sponsors: Hilton Garden Inn, Kitty Hawk; and Barefoot Bernie’s.

We hope to see you there!

Personnel News

On June 30, **Captain Daniel D. Lindsey** will be retiring from full-time service. Dan joined the department in February 2012, when he and his wife moved to the Outer Banks. Prior to that, Dan spent 31 years as a firefighter in Virginia Beach. He has been a full-time captain/firefighter with the KHFD since July 2015. Dan’s experience and work ethic have been invaluable to the department. Dan will continue as a volunteer member when he officially retires from our full-time staff. Congratulations, Dan!

Michael Basilone has been promoted to Captain and will replace Captain Lindsey as the Duty Crew Supervisor for B-Shift. Mike joined the department in January 2011 as a volunteer and joined our full time staff in February 2012. He is currently working on a Master’s degree in Public Administration through Columbia Southern University. Mike was recently selected as the winner of the Glenn Jernigan Emergency Services Curriculum Scholarship from the Eastern Carolina Firefighters Association. Congratulations, Mike!

KHPD Personnel News



Police Officer III, James D. Helms, was recently promoted and sworn in as a Patrol Sergeant. (Pictured from left, Chief Joel Johnson, Sergeant Helms, and his wife Nicole.) Sergeant Helms has been with the Town for over six years and holds a Bachelor's of Science in Physical Education and Health from Elizabeth City State University.

Kitty Hawk Police Remind You

Fireworks are Illegal

DO NOT leave your pets in vehicles in warm/hot weather.

Keep your pets well hydrated

Keep your pets in cool places

Keep your pets off hot pavement and hot sand

Dogs Left in Cars
Even 68° is too Hot!

Temperature Outside	Temperature In Car After	
	10 min.	60 min.
68°	81°	115°
75	88	122
82	95	129
90	102	136
97	109	144

From American Meteorological Society

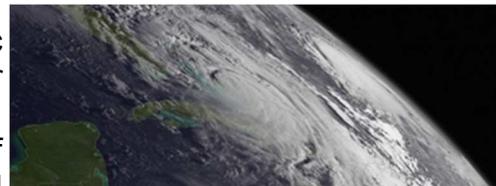
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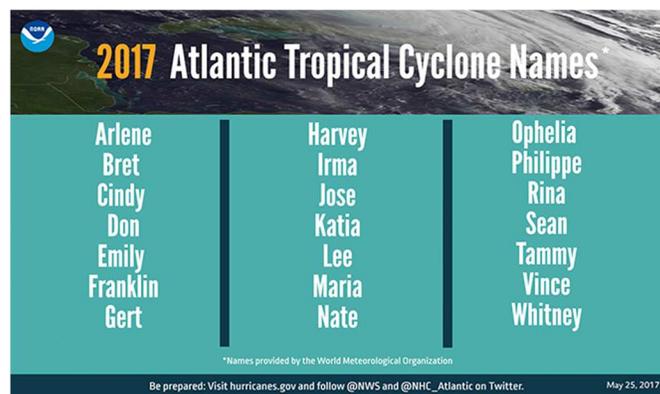
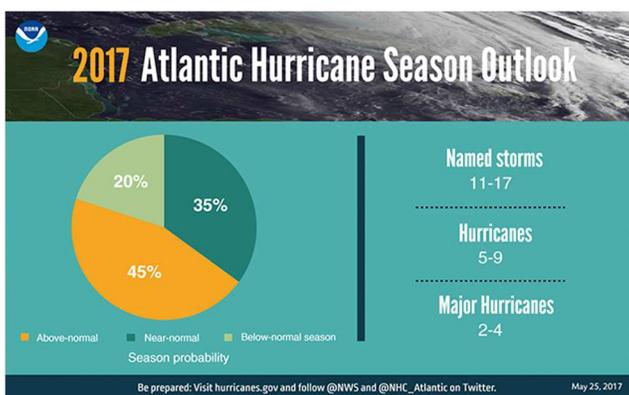
PLANNING AND INSPECTIONS DEPARTMENT

Above-normal Atlantic Hurricane Season is most likely this year

Forecasters at NOAA’s Climate Prediction Center say the Atlantic could see another above-normal hurricane season this year. For the upcoming Atlantic hurricane season, which runs from June 1 through November 30, forecasters predict a 45 percent chance of an above-normal season, a 35 percent chance of a near-normal season, and only a 20 percent chance of a below-normal season.



"These forecasts are important for both public safety and business planning, and are a crucial function of the federal government" said U.S. Secretary of Commerce Wilbur Ross.



Forecasters predict a 70 percent likelihood of 11 to 17 named storms (winds of 39 mph or higher), of which 5 to 9 could become hurricanes (winds of 74 mph or higher), including 2 to 4 major hurricanes (Category 3, 4 or 5; winds of 111 mph or higher). An average season produces 12 named storms of which six become hurricanes, including three major hurricanes.

These numbers include Tropical Storm Arlene, a rare pre-season storm that formed over the eastern Atlantic in April.

"The outlook reflects our expectation of a weak or non-existent El Nino, near- or above-average sea-surface temperatures across the tropical Atlantic Ocean and Caribbean Sea, and average or weaker-than-average vertical wind shear in that same region," said Gerry Bell, Ph.D.

"Regardless of how many storms develop this year, it only takes one to disrupt our lives," said Acting FEMA Administrator Robert J. Fenton, Jr. "Get ready now with these easy, low-cost steps that will leave you better prepared and will make all the difference: Have a family discussion about what you will do, where you will go and how you will communicate with each other when a storm threatens; Know your evacuation route; tune into your local news or download the FEMA app to get alerts, and finally – listen to local authorities as a storm approaches."

NOAA will update this outlook in early August, just prior to the peak of the season.

Article from www.noaa.gov

Prepare for Emergencies Now - Information to Get Ready

TAKE 3 STEPS TO PREPARE



GET A KIT.



MAKE A PLAN.



BE INFORMED.

Get a Kit of emergency supplies. Be prepared to improvise and use what you have on hand to make it on your own for at least three days, maybe longer. While there are many things that might make you more comfortable, think first about fresh water, food and clean air.

Recommended Supplies to Include in a Basic Kit:

- ✓ **Water** one gallon per person per day, for drinking and sanitation
- ✓ **Non-perishable Food** at least a three-day supply
- ✓ Battery-powered or hand crank **radio** and a **NOAA Weather Radio** with tone alert and **extra batteries** for both
- ✓ **Flashlight** and **extra batteries**
- ✓ **First Aid kit**
- ✓ **Whistle** to signal for help
- ✓ **Filter mask** or cotton t-shirt, to help filter the air
- ✓ **Moist towelettes, garbage bags** and **plastic ties** for personal sanitation
- ✓ **Wrench** or **pliers** to turn off utilities
- ✓ **Manual can opener** if kit contains canned food
- ✓ **Plastic sheeting** and **duct tape** to shelter-in-place
- ✓ **Important Family Documents**
- ✓ **Items for unique family needs**, such as daily prescription, medications, infant formula or diapers, pet supplies

Consider two kits. In one, put everything you will need to stay where you are and make it on your own. The other should be a lightweight, smaller version you can take with you if you have to get away

Create a Family Emergency Plan: Know what to do if you have to evacuate. Make sure you know how to contact members of your family and have an emergency contact number for someone out of state who knows where you are in the event of an emergency.

Make sure your pet is included in your emergency plan. Shelters do not have staff or facilities to care for animals. You may want to offer assistance to an elderly or disabled family member or neighbor that may be alone and may need your help during an emergency. Make your plans ahead of time and practice them.

Be informed: Know evacuation routes, and listen to local authorities when asked to evacuate. Everyone should know their risks.

People should have disaster plans and be ready to vacate their residence when advised by local authorities. Determine where you would go and how you would get there if you needed to evacuate.

For more information about emergency plans, kits, and preparation visit:

www.ReadyNC.gov

For official information monitor Government Channel (Cable Channel 191), NOAA weather radio 162.425 or 167.475 or online: www.DareNC.com

Buy flood insurance. Keep in mind, there is a 30-day waiting period before a flood insurance policy takes effect.

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



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