

TOWN MANAGER'S NEWS AND NOTES

November/December 2021

ADMINISTRATION

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!!!!!!



Topsail Beach was excited to welcome in the Holiday Season with our 16th Annual Christmas Parade and Tree Lighting Event, we hope you all were able to join us. The weather was perfect, and a good time was had by all! We want to thank all the parade participants and volunteers that helped to make this event happen. As we wrap up this year's events, we are already thinking about how to make next year's even better! As always, we welcome

feedback and suggestions from our residents and property owners.

PUBLIC SAFETY

NEW EMPLOYEES





Topsail Beach Fire Department is excited to welcome Tyler Johnson and Michael Mahoney to our staff. Tyler and Michael add more experience and energy to our team as we continue to increase our ability to provide our residents and property owners 24-hour protection. Welcome Tyler and Michael!

Tyler Johnson Michael Mahoney

Our Fire Department has found a new home! As part of our 24 hour coverage, the Town has secured housing for our firefighters on 24 hour shifts. Our new home is at 709 Channel Blvd, close to the Station for a quick response. Moving to 24 hour shifts always the Town to have firefighters on hand for emergencies any time.

HOLIDAY SAFETY TIPS

Our Police and Fire Departments wish you a Happy, Healthy, and Safe Holiday Season! With all the excitement that comes with this time of year, we want to remind everyone to take that little bit of extra time to make sure we avoid any unnecessary tragedies.

Decorate Safely

Decorating is one of the best ways to get in a holiday mood, but emergency rooms see thousands of injuries involving holiday decorating every season.

When decorating follow these tips from the <u>U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission</u>:



Keep potentially poisonous plants – mistletoe, holly berries, Jerusalem cherry and amaryllis – away from children



If using an artificial tree, check that it is labeled "fire resistant"



If using a live tree, cut off about 2 inches of the trunk to expose fresh wood for better water absorption, remember to water it and remove it from your home when it is dry



Place your tree at least 3 feet away from fireplaces, radiators and other heat sources, making certain not to block doorways



Avoid placing breakable ornaments or ones with small, detachable parts on lower tree branches where small children can reach them



Only use indoor lights indoors and outdoor lights outdoors, and <u>choose the</u> <u>right ladder</u> for the task when hanging lights



Replace light sets that have broken or cracked sockets, frayed or bare wires, or loose connections



Follow the package directions on the number of light sets that can be plugged into one socket



Never nail, tack or stress wiring when hanging lights and keep plugs off the ground away from puddles and snow



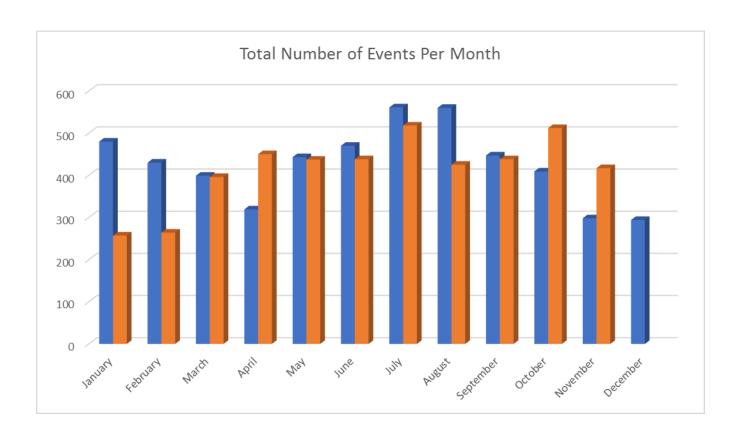
Turn off all lights and decorations when you go to bed or leave the house

Another good site to visit for safety tips is Ready.Gov. You can find more at https://www.ready.gov/holiday-safety-social-media-toolkit.

POLICE ACTIVITY LOG EVENT SUMMARY

NOVEMBER 2021

ARREST MADE	1	ASSIST TO FIRE/RESCUE	1
ALARM CALL	1	CALL FOR SERVICE	16
ASSAULT	0	BEACH PATROL	32
BOAT RELATED CALL	0	BEACH WHEELCHAIR	1
CIVIL CITATION	2	DEATH	0
DISTURBANCE CALL	1	DOG RELATED CALL	0
LARCENY REPORT / B&E/ DRUGS	0	LOST & FOUND PROPERTY	0
MESSAGE DELIVERED	0	MISSING PERSON	0
OPEN DOOR FOUND	1	PARKING COMPLAINT	2
PROPERTY DAMAGE	0	SURFING VIOLATION	0
SCHOOL ATTENDED	3	SECURITY/BUSINESS CHECK	282
SPECIAL WORK	31	STATE CITATION ISSUED	19
SUSPICIOUS PERSON	1	SUSPICIOUS/UNLOCKED VEHICLE	
TRAFFIC ACCIDENT	0	TRESPASS CALL	
TOPSAIL/SURF CITY ASSIST	0	WARNING CITATION ISSUED	23

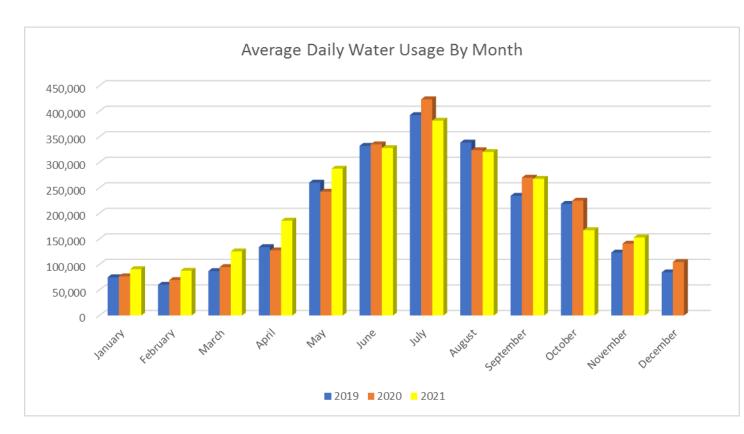


PUBLIC WORKS

WATER USAGE



Below is a look at the average daily water usage for November 2021, and a comparison of the data to 2019 and 2020. This November the distribution for the water system was a total of 4,740,610 gallons of water for an average of 152,923 gallons a day, an increase of 12,244 gpd over the same period last year (140,679 gpd).



^{**} October Data missing 12 days of activity from Distribution #1 due to recording malfunction.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

PLANNING AND ZONING

The November Planning Board Meeting was held November 17, 2021. The Planning Board completed their final review of the Draft Update to the FDPO and will be presenting it to the Board of Commissioners for approval.

PARKS AND RECREATION

The November Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting was held November 17, 2021. The Committee discussed upcoming holiday events and the repairs completed at the pickleball courts.

The next scheduled meeting of the Planning Board/P&R Committee has been changed to Wednesday, December 15th at 10 AM due to the holidays.

BUILDING PERMIT SUMMARY

A total of 17 permits were issued in the month of November at a valuation of \$1,253,600.

NOVEMBER 2021 BUILDING PERMITS

PERMIT DESCRIPTION	NUMBER	VALUATION	PERMIT FEE
Docks/Decks/Seawalls/AC	6	\$288,000.00	\$1,565.00
Electrical Repair	3	\$2,600.00	\$165.00
Residential Addition	1	\$450,000.00	\$3,700.00
Residential Alteration	1	\$40,000.00	\$295.00
Residential Remodel	1	\$28,000.00	\$155.00
Residential Single Family	1	\$445,000.00	\$4,521.60
Septic Permit	1	\$0.00	\$30.00
Zoning Permit	3	\$0.00	\$90.00
	17	\$1,253,600.00	\$10,521.60

Dates to Remember:

TISPC Meeting – December 2nd (2:00 PM)

Board of Commissioners – December 8th (6:00 PM)

Planning Board/ Parks and Rec. Meeting – December 15th (10:00 AM)

Christmas Holiday (Town Hall Closed) – December 23rd, 24th & 27th

New Year's Day (Town Hall Closed) – December 31st