



TOWN MANAGER'S NEWS AND NOTES

August 2021

ADMINISTRATION

HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS

While we have been very fortunate so far during this hurricane season, it is important that we remain ready in the event of a storm impacting Topsail Beach. Staff continues our preparations so that we can respond in the best way possible to meet the needs of our residents and property owners. Re-entry after a storm is often hectic and stressful, so please take the time now to make sure you have what you need to get back on the island once it is safe to return.



Pre-Storm

By now you should have received your two (2) re-entry decals for the 2021 hurricane season. Please place the decals on the inside, lower corner of the windshield on the driver's side of the two (2) vehicles most likely to be used to check on your property after a storm event. Only two (2) decals will be given for a property. For properties that have multiple/co-owners, it will be your responsibility to distribute the decals accordingly. If you have not received a decal, please contact Town Hall at (910) 328-5841.

Replacement Decals

Should you sell or trade in your vehicle, or need the windshield replaced, we ask that you scrape off the original decal and bring in for a replacement. If you do not have the original decal and request a replacement, you will be asked to provide specific documentation for the missing decal before a replacement will be issued. The cost of a replacement decal is \$10.00. Decals **will not** be issued once the Town declares a State of Emergency.

Designating an Agent

Should you choose to designate someone to act on your behalf post storm, you must have an "Agent Authorization" form on file with the Town. A designated agent is typically a contractor, real estate agent or family member. You may list up to three (3) individuals that you authorize to check on and make emergency repairs to your

property post storm. All Agent Authorization forms must be notarized and submitted to the Police Department as soon as possible. Those designated as an agent **must have a copy of the form with them to gain entry onto the island** once it is permissible. Please note that Agent Authorization form requests **will not be accepted** once the Town declares a State of Emergency and agents without a form **will not be allowed back on the island until it is open to the general public**. **IMPORTANT:** Previous Agent Authorization forms on file at the Police Department will be discarded and new ones must be submitted for 2021 and annually thereafter.

Post Storm

Once the storm passes, public safety officials and Town staff will begin surveying the town to ensure re-entry for property owners and residents is safe. Once safety concerns are addressed re-entry will be open to long-term residents and property owners displaying a valid decal, as well as their designated agents with a copy of their form. Those owners and long-term residents who do not have a valid decal will be detoured to a designated area where they will be required to provide ownership/residency documentation for a temporary re-entry pass.

Please remember that these measures are in place for your safety and the safety of others. Every storm is different, and therefore the impacts of any storm are hard to predict. Topsail Beach officials and staff will do everything in our power to get you safely back on the island as quickly as possible. By following the steps above, a more orderly re-entry is possible.

Follow the Town on our various social media sites to keep up with what's going on in Town. If you haven't joined our Sunshine List, it is a great way to get email updates!

Visit ReadyNC at <https://www.readync.org/plan-and-prepare/get-kit> for more detailed information.



TOWN SPECIAL EVENTS

BEACH LITTER SWEEP



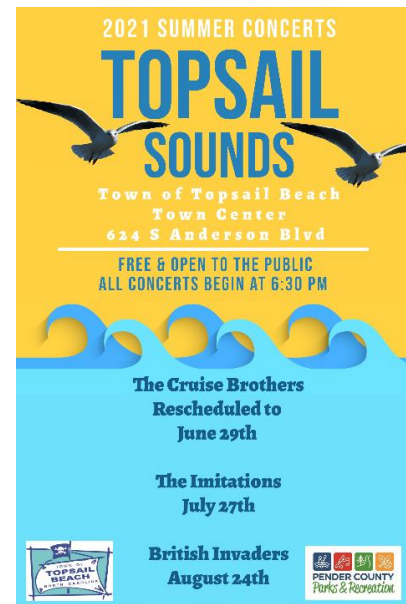
The third of three Beach Litter Sweeps is scheduled for Saturday, September 11th! This event is open to the public, all ages welcome! Volunteers are provided with gloves and trash bags. Don't forget to share your pictures with us at Town Hall! For more information and to share this event with you friends and family, check out our Facebook event at:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/447252939716276/>.

TOPSAIL SOUNDS

The Imitations did a great job at our July Topsail Sounds Concert! They had people up and dancing throughout the night. Many of our residents and visitors came out to enjoy an evening of good music and good company.

The last of the Topsail Sounds Concert Series is on August 24th from 6:30-8:30 pm featuring the British Invaders. If you're a fan of 1960's music, this is the place to be!

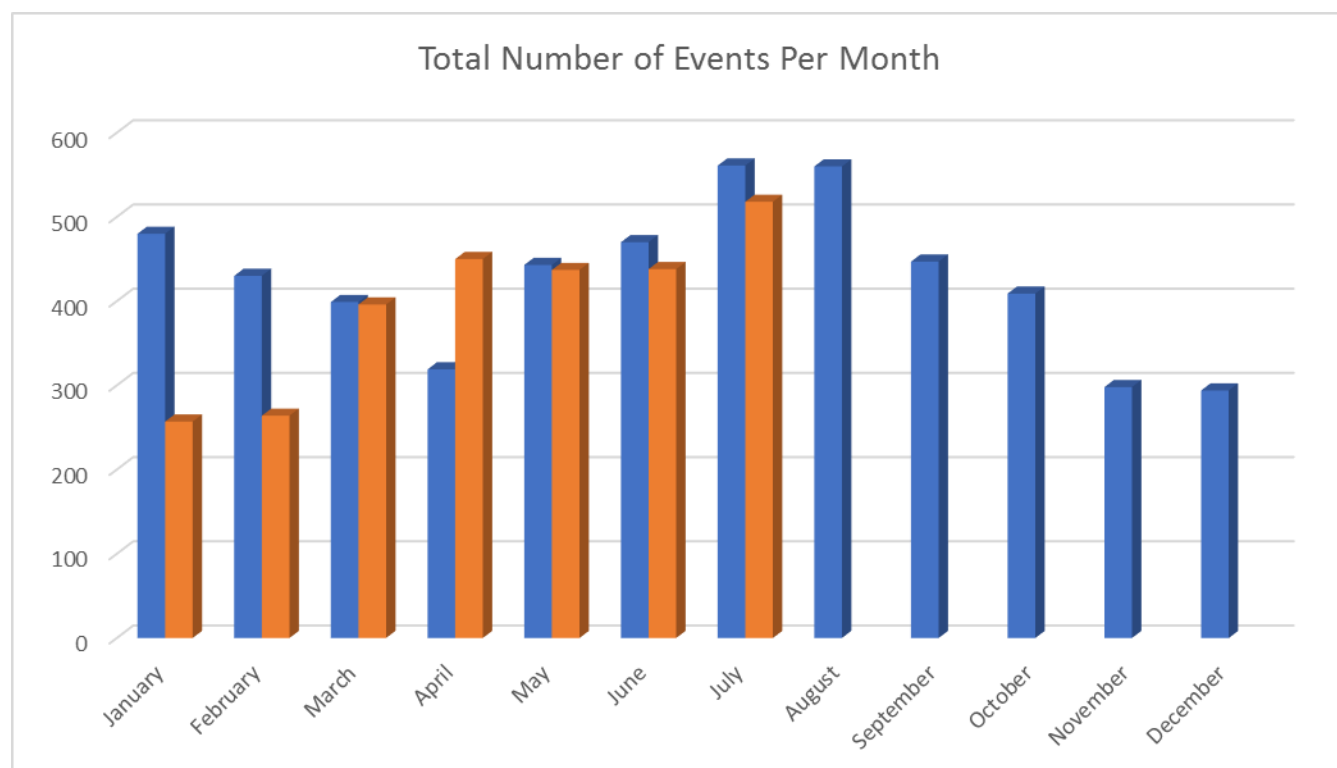


POLICE

ACTIVITY LOG EVENT SUMMARY

JULY 2021

ARREST MADE	5	ASSIST TO FIRE/RESCUE	7
ALARM CALL	4	CALL FOR SERVICE	29
ASSAULT	2	BEACH PATROL	3
BOAT RELATED CALL	0	BEACH WHEELCHAIR	0
CIVIL CITATION	45	DEATH	0
DISTURBANCE CALL	5	DOG RELATED CALL	2
LARCENY REPORT / B&E/ DRUGS	0	LOST & FOUND PROPERTY	1
MESSAGE DELIVERED	0	MISSING PERSON	1
OPEN DOOR FOUND	2	PARKING COMPLAINT	32
PROPERTY DAMAGE	0	SURFING VIOLATION	0
SCHOOL ATTENDED	0	SECURITY/BUSINESS CHECK	159
SPECIAL WORK	51	STATE CITATION ISSUED	71
SUSPICIOUS PERSON	3	SUSPICIOUS/UNLOCKED VEHICLE	14
TRAFFIC ACCIDENT	3	TRESPASS CALL	1
TOPSAIL/SURF CITY ASSIST	0	WARNING CITATION ISSUED	78

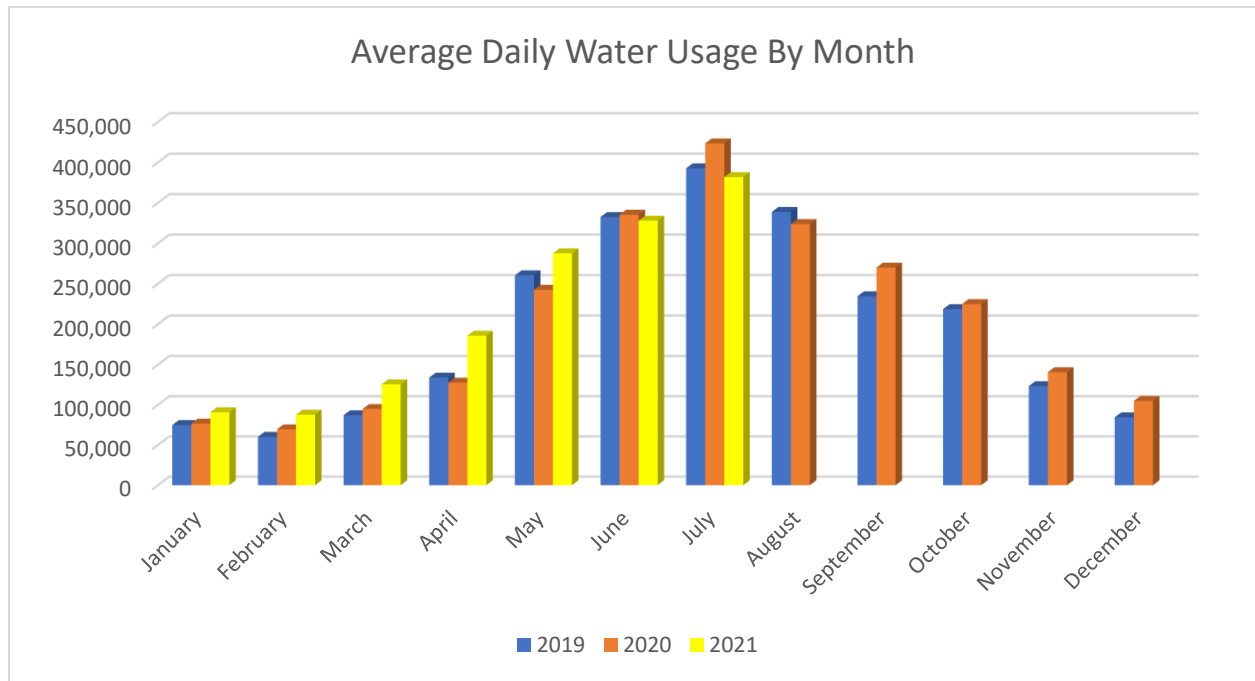


PUBLIC WORKS

WATER USAGE



Below is a look at the average daily water usage for July 2021, and a comparison of the data to 2019 and 2020. This July the distribution for the water system was a total of 11,831,610 gallons of water for an average of 381,665 gallons a day, a decrease of 41,768 gpd over the same period last year (423,433 gpd).



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

PLANNING AND ZONING

The Planning Board met on July 28, 2021 with the following actions taken:

The Board reviewed the proposed amendments to the Town's Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance prepared by Sam Shore, Cape Fear Council of governments (COG). The Board decided to solicit input from local engineers, surveyors and contractors and discuss again at their August Meeting.

Their next meeting will be August 25th at 10:00 am.

PARKS AND RECREATION

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board met on January 27, 2021 with the following actions taken:

Discussed next steps for the Bike/Ped Plan. Committee Members asked COG to follow up with possible funding options to possibly begin design work.

Their next meeting will be August 25th following the Planning Board meeting.

BUILDING PERMIT SUMMARY

A total of 22 permits were issued in the month of July at a valuation of \$766,943.38.

JULY 2021 BUILDING PERMITS

PERMIT DESCRIPTION	NUMBER	VALUATION	PERMIT FEE
Docks/Decks/Seawalls/ AC	2	\$62,400.00	\$290.00
Electrical Repair	5	\$2,950.00	\$275.00
Elevator/Cargo Lift	1	\$10,000.00	\$160.00
Hotel/Motel	1	\$6,440.75	\$55.00
Mechanical Repairs	7	\$40,322.63	\$385.00
Residential Remodel	1	\$20,000.00	\$285.00
Residential Single Family	2	\$624,830.00	\$7,818.20
Zoning Permit for Septic	1	\$0.00	\$30.00
Zoning Permit for Driveway	2	\$0.00	\$60.00
	22	\$766,943.38	\$9,358.20

Dates to Remember:

Board of Commissioners – August 11th (6:00 PM)

BIS Committee Meeting – August 19th (2:00 PM)

Topsail Sounds – August 24th (6:30 PM)

Planning Board/ Parks and Rec. Meeting – August 25th (10:00 AM)

TISPC Meeting – August 26th (2:00 PM)

Beach Litter Sweep – July 10th (9:00 AM)