



# TOWN MANAGER'S NEWS AND NOTES

July 2021

## ADMINISTRATION

### TOWN SPECIAL EVENTS

#### BEACH LITTER SWEEP

The second of three Beach Litter Sweeps is scheduled for Saturday, July 10th! This event is open to the public, all ages welcomed! 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/>.

#### MEETING POINTS:

ACCESS #3, BETWEEN 915 N. ANDERSON & BLDG QUEEN GRANT  
ACCESS #6, ROCKY MOUNT  
ACCESS #10, CREWS AVE  
ACCESS #16, SEA VISTA MOTEL





## TOPSAIL SOUNDS

Our June Topsail Sounds Concert was a great success! Many of our residents and visitors came out to enjoy an evening of good music and good company. Many thanks to Pender County Parks and Recreation for all their help and to the Topsail Beach staff for making it happen. A special thanks to The Cruise Brothers for excellent entertainment.

Our next concert is schedule for Tuesday, July 27<sup>th</sup> with music by The Imitations. We hope to see everyone out at Town Center Park!

### SUMMER SAFETY TIPS

Summer is the time for the best outdoor cooking, so it is no surprise July is National Grilling Month. We want you to be safe, so be sure to consider the following:

**Choose a safe location for your grill.** Keep grills on a level surface more than ten feet away from the house, garage or other structures. Keep children and pets away, as well as overhanging branches. Grills should not be used on a balcony or deck or under an overhang. Avoid placing grills too close to combustible deck rails.

**Grill outside only.** Never use a grill in a garage, vehicle, tent or other enclosed space, even if ventilated, due to risk of harmful carbon monoxide buildup.

**Don't let improperly prepared food ruin your summer.**

- Keep food cold until you are ready to put them on the grill. Letting them sit allows bacteria to grow.
- Don't mix raw and cooked foods. Keep raw foods separate from each other. Once cooked, use a clean dish to place your final masterpiece. The bacteria from the raw food will contaminate the freshly cooked meal.
- Keep hot food warm to at least 140 degrees Fahrenheit until ready to be placed in a cooler with ice or refrigerator to prevent bacteria growth. For salads and cold foods, keep them chilled on ice.

## HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS

We love summertime at the beach, but that also means Hurricane Season. While we all hope that it is a peaceful summer, it's always best to be prepared. Below is a good list of items to have available just in case!



The graphic features a blue background with a central image of a blue bin filled with supplies like water bottles, a flashlight, and a first aid kit. Logos for the National Weather Service and 'Be... HURRICANE PREPARED' are visible. The checklist is organized into two columns of items, each preceded by a checkbox.

### Hurricane Preparedness Checklist

- Evacuation Plan
- Medications and Medical Supplies
  - Two Week Supply
- Cash
- Flashlight – Batteries
- Phone and Portable Chargers
- Important Documents:
  - Birth Certificates
  - Insurance Cards
  - Social Security Cards
  - Bank/Credit Card Numbers
  - Wills
  - House Inventory Photos
  - Titles (cars, boats, etc.)
  - Vet/Microchip Records for Pets
- Battery-powered Weather Radio
- Phone List:
  - Doctors
  - Insurance
  - Electric, Gas, and Water Companies
  - Family/Friends/Neighbors
  - Landlord or Property Manager
  - Bank or Credit Union
- Keep Your Vehicle filled with Gas
- Emergency Kit:
  - Nonperishable Food and Water (1 gallon per person per day) for 7 days
  - Non-electric Can Opener
  - Cooler
  - First Aid Kit
  - Pet Supplies – Pet Food and Water, Leash and Collar, Bowls, Medications, Carrier/Cage
  - Sleeping Bags and Pillows
  - Tool Box/Rope
  - Plastic Sheeting and duct tape
  - Work Gloves
  - Fire Extinguisher
  - Cleaning Supplies
  - Clothing
  - Whistle
  - Special Needs Items for Infants/ Small Children or Elderly/Disabled
- COVID-19 Supplies
  - Face Masks
  - Disinfectant Wipes
  - Hand Sanitizer

### Know the difference between a hurricane “watch” and “warning.”

Listen for National Weather Service alerts on TV or radio or check for them online.

There are two kinds of alerts:

- A **hurricane watch** means hurricane conditions (sustained winds of 74 miles per hour [mph] or higher) are **possible** in a stated area. Experts announce hurricane watches 48 hours before they expect tropical-storm-force winds (sustained winds of 39 to 73 mph) to start.
- A **hurricane warning** is more serious. It means hurricane-force winds are **expected** in a stated area. Experts issue these warnings 36 hours before tropical-storm-force winds are expected in the area to give people enough time to prepare for the storm.

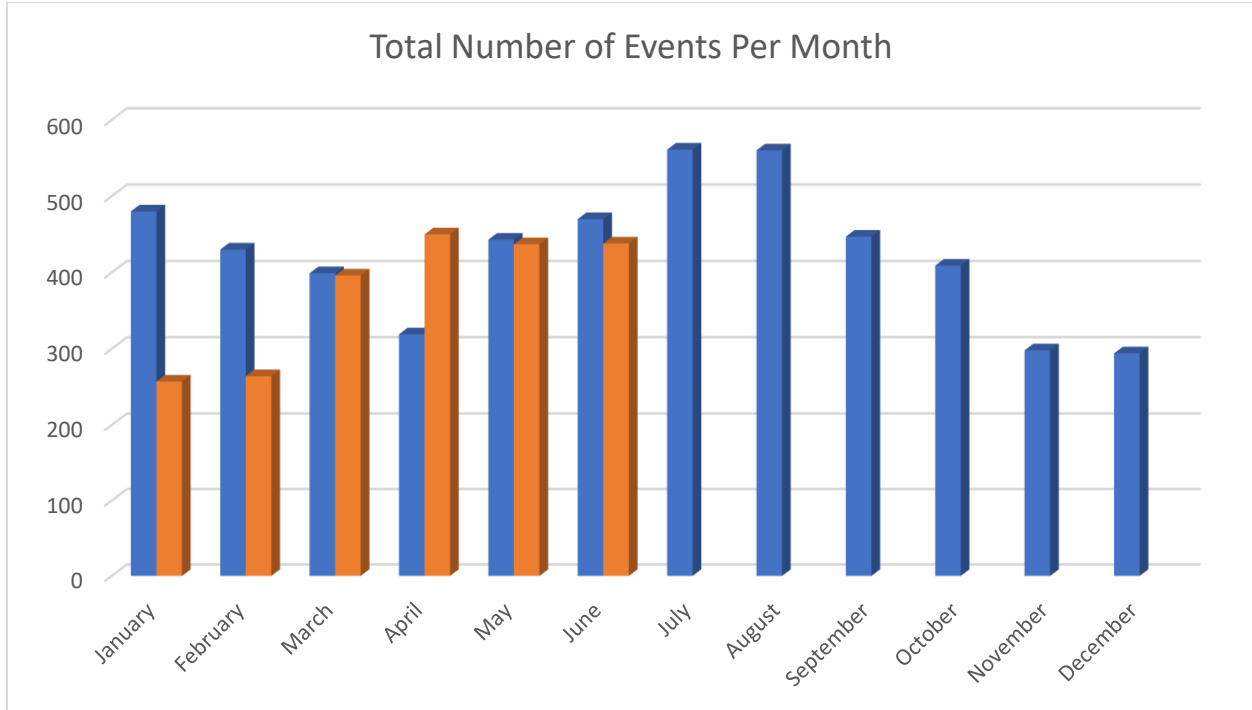
Visit ReadyNC at <https://www.readync.org/plan-and-prepare/get-kit> for more detailed information.

# POLICE

## ACTIVITY LOG EVENT SUMMARY

JUNE 2021

ARREST MADE	4	ASSIST TO FIRE/RESCUE	4
ALARM CALL	1	CALL FOR SERVICE	26
ASSAULT	0	BEACH PATROL	3
BOAT RELATED CALL	0	BEACH WHEELCHAIR	0
CIVIL CITATION	19	DEATH	0
DISTURBANCE CALL	1	DOG RELATED CALL	3
LARCENY REPORT / B&E/ DRUGS	1	LOST & FOUND PROPERTY	2
MESSAGE DELIVERED	0	MISSING PERSON	2
OPEN DOOR FOUND	2	PARKING COMPLAINT	17
PROPERTY DAMAGE	0	SURFING VIOLATION	0
SCHOOL ATTENDED	0	SECURITY /BUSINESS CHECK	185
SPECIAL WORK	40	STATE CITATION ISSUED	43
SUSPICIOUS PERSON	3	SUSPICIOUS /UNLOCKED VEHICLE	10
TRAFFIC ACCIDENT	2	TRESPASS CALL	2
TOPSAIL/SURF CITY ASSIST	0	WARNING CITATION ISSUED	68



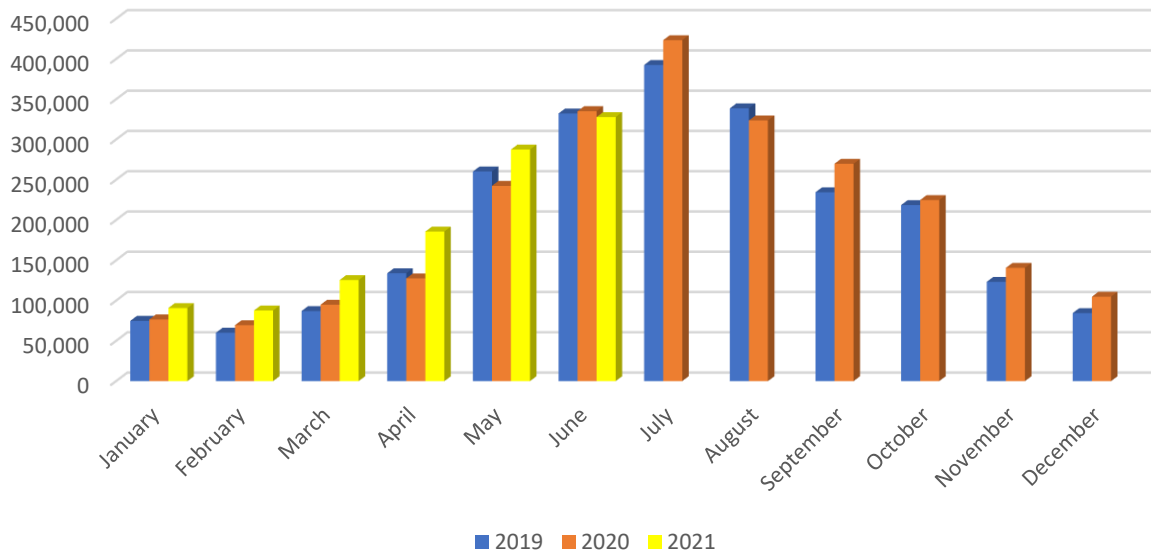
# PUBLIC WORKS

## WATER USAGE



Below is a look at the average daily water usage for June 2021, and a comparison of the data to 2019 and 2020. This June the distribution for the water system was a total of 10,166,070 gallons of water for an average of 327,938 gallons a day, a slight decrease of 7,329 gpd over the same period last year (335,267 gpd).

Average Daily Water Usage By Month



## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

### PLANNING AND ZONING

The June Planning Board meeting was canceled due to a lack of quorum. Their next meeting will be July 28<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am.

### PARKS AND RECREATION

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee meeting was canceled due to a lack of quorum. Their next meeting will be July 28<sup>th</sup> following the Planning Board meeting.

### SPECIAL EVENTS

Topsail Sounds Concert Series.  
June 29<sup>th</sup>, July 27<sup>th</sup>, and August 24<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:30 pm.

### BUILDING PERMIT SUMMARY

A total of 17 permits were issued in the month of June at a valuation of \$678,463.

## June 2021 BUILDING PERMITS

PERMIT DESCRIPTION	NUMBER	VALUATION	PERMIT FEE
Docks/Decks/Seawalls/ AC	6	\$213,450.00	\$1,041.00
Demolition	1	\$0.00	\$105.00
Electrical Repair	2	\$1200.00	\$110.00
Land Disturbance	1	\$0.00	\$30.00
Mechanical Repairs	2	\$12,723.00	\$110.00
Residential Addition	1	\$55,500.00	\$439.00
Residential Alteration	1	\$5,760.00	\$105.00
Residential Remodel	1	\$20,000.00	\$285.00
Residential Single Family	1	\$369,830	\$1,790.00
Sign Repair/Replacement	1	\$0.00	\$55.00
	<b>17</b>	<b>\$678,463.00</b>	<b>\$4,070.00</b>





*Dates to Remember:*

*Beach Litter Sweep – July 10<sup>th</sup> (9:00 AM)*

*Board of Commissioners – July 14<sup>th</sup> (6:00 PM)*

*BIS Committee Meeting – July 17<sup>th</sup> (2:00 PM)*

*Planning Board/ Parks and Rec. Meeting – July 23<sup>rd</sup> (10:00 AM)*