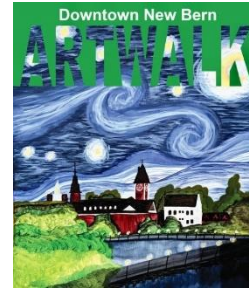


Glance Ahead-Upcoming City and Community Wide Activities

Events listed below are either a city event or a special event permit was issued:

- **Neuse River Bridge Run 5k/10k:** Saturday, May 4th-6:45 a.m.-Union Point Park
- **Bike & Pedestrian Advisory Committee Meeting:** Monday, May 6th -5:30 p.m.-Development Services
- **Municipal Service District Advisory Committee Meeting:** Tuesday, May 7th-12:00 p.m.-Chamber of Commerce
- **Redevelopment Commission Meeting:** Wednesday, May 8th -6:00 p.m.-City Hall
- **Community Cleanup:** Thursday, May 9th -3:00 p.m.-1200 River Road
- **Art Walk:** Friday, May 10th-5:00 p.m.-Craven Arts Council Bank of the Arts



City Wide

Hey Mayor: The Mayor and PIO recently created a brief Q&A video named “Hey Mayor: 5 Quick Questions on Economic Development” that has been posted to our YouTube channel and City 3 TV. <https://youtu.be/8FtCpBf6rTw>. The video also airs twice daily on City 3 TV (Optimum channel 3.2), which also streams on the website.

On Friday, the City Manager, Assistant Manager, and Alderman Brinson attended the **State of the Station** meeting, hosted by Allies for Cherry Point.

Comings, Goings and Such

A warm welcome to the following new employee:

- Alicia Heath, Police Officer
- Stephon Vann, Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator

We would like to congratulate and wish Tony Heckman, Fire Captain, a Happy Retirement from the City of New Bern Fire Department! Thank you for all your years of service. You will be missed.

Department Items

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES:

Land Use: The Planning and Zoning Board Meeting will be held on May 16, 2024. The Board will review a General Plan Subdivision (Cluster Development) for the Carolina Colours area.

The Board of Adjustment Meeting will take place on May 23, 2024. A variance request is on the agenda:

- 1615 JARVIS ST. - allowing the placement of a double-wide manufactured home on the property.

HPC Design Review Meeting

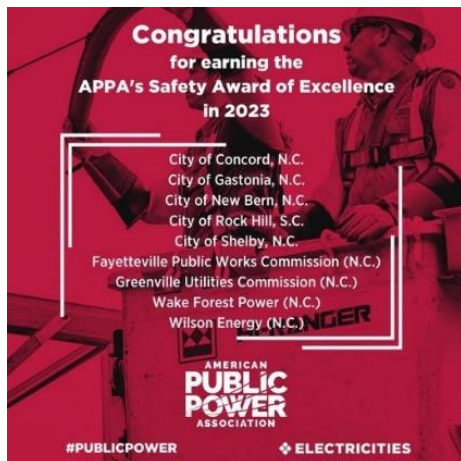
The HPC Design Review Meeting was held Wednesday, May 1st. There were six projects on the agenda, plus one walk-in. Out of the seven projects, five were forwarded to the Regular Meeting:

- SUDAN SHRINERS' TEMPLE – demolition and redevelopment. This was continued from the previous Regular Meeting to the May 15th Regular Meeting. However, they were expected to return to this Design Review Meeting to discuss some options about remaining parts of the Shriners' Temple but did not show.
- 712 POLLOCK ST. – new accessory structure (garage) - proceeds to Regular Meeting.
- 508 C ST. – new wood steps, porch columns and railing, reuse side windows for the missing windows, new brick sidewalk, replace side windows with shorter windows, remove new rear window, and replace with wood French door - proceeds to Regular Meeting.
- 240 MIDDLE ST. (Bynum's) – storefront remodel plus first and second floor rear facade remodels - proceeds to Regular Meeting.
- 111 POLLOCK ST. – new side porch addition - proceeds to Regular Meeting.

These projects did not proceed to the Regular Meeting:

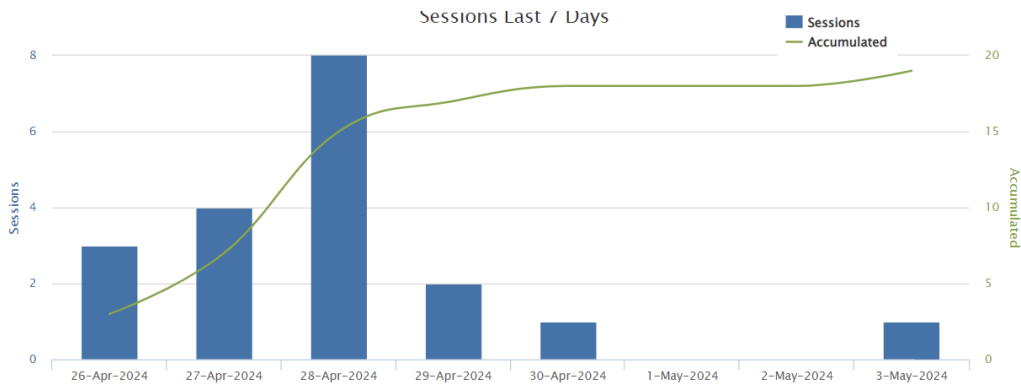
- 104 JOHNSON ST. – demolition of the 1-story non-contributing house and garage and redevelopment with a 1-story house – not ready for the Regular Meeting; urged to return to the next Design Review Meeting June 5th.
- 242 MIDDLE ST. – wood replacement window. This one was determined to be a Replacement-in-Kind, so no further HPC meetings are needed. The Staff will handle the final details with the applicant.

ELECTRIC UTILITY:



Congratulations to the Electric Utility for receiving the 2023 APPA Safety Award of Excellence. These awards celebrate utilities with safe operating practices, low incident rates, and consistency in the overall quality of their safety programs and culture. Groups were determined by worker-hours of exposure and The City of New Bern was ranked with Group E-Diamond Utilities (110,000 to 249,999 worker-hours of exposure). A total of 147 utilities were recognized throughout the US.

Red Bear EV Charging – Nineteen (19) charging sessions occurred in the past 7 days.



FINANCE

- The financing bids for 212 Kale Road were reviewed, and the winning bid will be submitted to the Board for approval on May 14th.
- FEMA has officially closed Hurricane Dorian and Tropical Storm Isaias.
- Continued budget meetings were held with the City Manager to finalize the FY24-25 Proposed Budget.

FIRE-RESCUE

Incidents (48)	Child Passenger Safety Seat Installs (4)
Investigations (0)	Fire & Life Safety Events (2)
Inspections (63)	Mutual Aid Calls (0)
Home Safety Visits (2)	CO Detector Installs (1)
Education (314 people)	Smoke Detector Installs (0)
Detector Battery Installs (5)	Training (475.5)

Note:

- Held a Car Seat Clinic at Target.
- Hosted a High School Ride Along.

HUMAN RESOURCES:

JOB FAIR

- Meet Potential Employers
- Discover Career Options
- Bring Copies of Your Resume

This FREE event is sponsored by Craven CC, NCWorks, and other local employers.

THURSDAY, MAY 9, 2024
10 - 11:30 A.M.
(AFTER GRADUATION REHEARSAL)
WARD HALL LOBBY

For more information, contact Craven CC @ 252.534.6562.

The Director and Assistant Director of Human Resources will be participating in a Job Fair hosted by Craven Community College on May 9, 2024. The event is open to all students, but specifically the Class of 2024.

PARKS & RECREATION:

Stanley White Recreation Center

- Roofing installation in progress.
- Framing, mechanical, and electrical rough-in is ongoing.
- Roof drain and sewer line installation in progress.
- Piedmont gas line was installed.
- Waterproofing and panel to panel caulking was completed.
- History wall design and installation is out for bid.

Lawson Creek Park Security cameras have been installed and are now recording.

The New Bern Aquatic Center Pool inspection passed on May 1st.

Special Events

- Saturday, May 4th – Big Rock Power Sports Demo – Lawson Creek Park – 9:00am – 4:00pm
- Saturday, May 4th – Duffyfield Cleanup – Henderson Park – 8:00am – 2:30pm

Special Event Applications – 9 this week

Burials – 2 this week

POLICE

Special Events:

5/02/2024 – Mock Crime Scene for Epiphany students at the substation

5/03/2024 – Trent Court Family Fun Day

ShotSpotter Activations			
<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u># of Shots</u>	<u>Notes</u>
04/25/2024 @ 10:39 AM	706 Pollock St	1	Preplanned Musket Fire at Tryon Palace
Total		1	

Note: This report was generated using an alternate reporting tool due to a GIS data error. The error could have resulted in inaccurate data reported for Wards 1 and 6. Staff have evaluated previous report data, and all previous reports were accurate. Staff are working to correct the error and will work to ensure that subsequent data reporting is correct. We apologize for the inconvenience.

CITY MANAGER’S WEEKLY REPORT

May 3, 2024

Ward	Crime Type	Date/Time	Status
2	Larceny-All Other	4/21/2024 21:07	Further Investigation
	Larceny-All Other	4/21/2024 21:07	Further Investigation
	Larceny-All Other	4/21/2024 21:03	Further Investigation
	Burglary / B&E	4/22/2024 13:35	Closed/Leads Exhausted
	Larceny-All Other	4/23/2024 17:02	Closed/Leads Exhausted
	Burglary / B&E	4/25/2024 9:22	Closed/Cleared
	Assault, Aggravated	4/25/2024 19:34	Closed/Cleared
	Homicide-Murder/Nonnegligent Manslaughter	4/27/2024 3:49	Further Investigation
	Assault, Aggravated	4/27/2024 3:49	Further Investigation
4	Assault, Aggravated	4/23/2024 1:40	Closed/Cleared
5	Sex Offense-Forcible Rape	4/26/2024 12:12	Further Investigation
	Larceny-All Other	4/26/2024 12:37	Closed/Leads Exhausted
	Burglary / B&E	4/27/2024 19:23	Further Investigation

Tip 411 Reports: Last 7 Days: 5 Tips Last 30 Days: 9 Tips Tips Received This Year: 34 Tips

Wards	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Traffic Crash (No Injury)	5	3	0	4	3	5	20
Traffic Crash (With Injury)	1	0	0	0	1	0	2
Traffic Crash (Unknown Injury)	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Traffic Stops	25	55	0	10	41	11	142
Noise Complaints	2	2	0	3	1	0	8

PUBLIC WORKS:

- Broad Street & Middle Street Project – site meeting scheduled for Tuesday, May 7, 2024, to discuss electrical installation and notice to proceed date.
- Trent River FEMA CAT D Project - Public Works executing contract with low bidder Carolina Cleaning, Greenville, N.C.
- Walt Bellamy & Bern Street Paving Project – Public Works executing contract with low bidder Onslow Grading & Paving Inc., Jacksonville, N.C.
- Stormwater Asset Inventory & Assessment Project - field survey and storm structure inspections complete; consultant reviewing data and preparing base mapping.

- Country Club Road Paving Project - Public Works executing contract with low bidder Onslow Grading and Paving, Jacksonville, N.C.
- Lowes Boulevard Sidewalk Improvements Project continues; monitored by Concrete Crew/Project Coordinator.
- Racetrack Road Improvements Project – main roadway work complete with additional paving and improvements planned for completion by June 2024.
- Duffyfield Enhancement Phase 1 Project – stormwater force main is 90% complete to proceed with installation of pump station.
- Jack Smith Creek FEMA CAT D Project bid opening held April 30, 2024, and Public Works is executing contract with low bidder Avolis Landworks, LLC, New Bern.
- Sutton Street/Henderson Park Project - Heavy Equipment Crews continue walkway construction (see below).



- Heavy Equipment Crews performed mowing/cleaning of City-owned vacant lots, tree trimming/mowing along City rights-of-ways; and began sweeping City-maintained curbed streets with new streetsweeper (image shown below).



- Public Buildings Crews performed many tasks for maintenance/repairs to City buildings, equipment, and/or grounds (City Hall, City Garage, Finance (CAPS/Billing), Fire Headquarters, Human Resources, Old Fireman's Museum, Police Department Headquarters, Police Department Satellite Office, Public Utilities (Electric), Public Works, and the Volt Center. The Civil War Monument Sign is pending due to a mounting bracket and location for installation.
- Solid Waste Litter Crews continue to monitor/remove litter along City rights-of-ways throughout the City of New Bern and from City's leased parking lots downtown; continue to remove litter along US Highway 70 Bypass between Pembroke & South Glenburnie Road exits, within city limits, all as part of the City's participation in the NCDOT's Adopt-A-Highway Program. The Rotary Club performed a litter cleanup service program at Lawson Creek Park, Friday, April 26, 2024, with assistance from

Public Works/Parks & Recreation along with 20 volunteers who removed 24 bags of litter and several bulk items. The Craven County Spring Clean Sweep Event is scheduled for tomorrow, Saturday, May 4, 2024. The Duffyfield Community Cleanup Event will also take place tomorrow, Saturday, May 4, 2024, and the next Community Litter Program event is scheduled 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM on Thursday, May 9, 2024, for volunteers to pick up litter along River Road. Volunteers/City Staff will meet at Emmanuel Fellowship Church at the corner of River Road & Greenleaf Cemetery Road.

- Stormwater Crews continue to perform normal maintenance with cleaning/clearing of city-maintained inlets, outlets, and outfalls throughout the City of New Bern; and began herbicide application throughout the drainage zones.

REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION:

No new developments this week.

WATER RESOURCES:

- This week, operations staff worked to install new connections, renew several old water and sewer services, and repair damaged services at various locations throughout the City including Audry Lane, Oaks Road, Rhem Avenue, Peregrine Ridge, Betty Gresham Lane, Mason Circle, and Church Road.

Significant Ward Related Items**Ward 1**

- This week, a pre-construction meeting was held for the FY-24 Water & Sewer improvements project. This project will include the replacement of existing water and sewer infrastructure located in the 1200 block of Walt Bellamy Drive and the 800 block of Bern Street. Construction is scheduled to begin in the next few weeks.
- Asphalt Crews hung banners for the NC Pleinair Art Festival event scheduled downtown for May 12-19, 2024.
- Heavy Equipment Crews swept curbed streets within the Riverside Community.
- Solid Waste Litter Crews continue to monitor/remove trash near downtown consolidated trash dumpsters.
- Stormwater Crews addressing sinkhole issue at 9th Street & Spencer Avenue.

Ward 2

- Asphalt Crews repaired potholes and performed street repairs within the Pembroke Community.
- Concrete Crews repaired a water/sewer cut at 401 Simmons Street, replaced street-name signage for Elizabeth Avenue, and installed new post for 25 MPH sign on Sherwood Avenue.

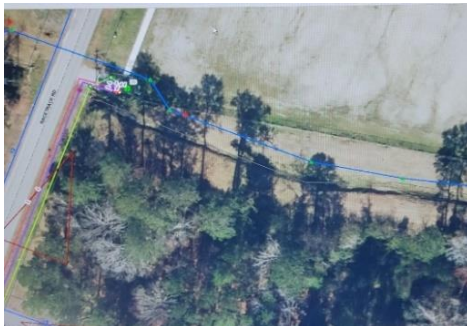
Ward 3

- This week, the contractors working on the water/sewer relocation work in James City were able to complete the tie-ins necessary to activate 2,800 feet of newly relocated 3" sewer main.

- Concrete Crews repaired 22' sidewalk along 2900 block of Tesie Trail and replaced street-name signage for Weathersby Drive and Underwriter Drive.
- Bluewater Rise Subdivision – the Project Coordinator reported the contractor has completed installation of stone/proof-roll on Grouper Run; completed installation of stone on Bluewater Blvd. pending proof-roll; and 5,000' of concrete curbing was installed.
- Carolina Colours Subdivision – the Project Coordinator reported the contractor continues to install water/sewer lines in Atlas; contractor/engineer currently installing sewer line in Hutton Point; and proof-roll scheduled for Monday in Carolina Creek.
- Hardee Farms Subdivision – the Project Coordinator is monitoring the contractor's installation of underground cable.
- Taberna Subdivision – the Project Coordinator inspected sidewalks on City rights-of-ways to be scheduled for repair.

Ward 4

- The Project Coordinator continues to monitor Optimum's subcontractor installation of fiber in Athens Acres.
- Stormwater Crews mowed the City of New Bern's drainage easement along 1300 block of Colony Drive and installed a canal-crossing on Racetrack Road at the rear of the lift station to facilitate mowing (images shown below).



Ward 5

- Lake Tyler Subdivision – the Project Coordinator reported the Developer has contacted Public Works regarding repair work to be done with no start date confirmed yet.
- Stormwater Crews cut a swale to assist with drainage on Dail Street.

Ward 6

- Heavy Equipment Crews mowed an abatement on Bloomfield Street and mowed/trimmed City lots within the Duffyfield Community to assist with the upcoming Duffyfield Community Cleanup Event scheduled for tomorrow, Saturday, May 4, 2024.
- The Project Coordinator continues to monitor the contractor's cable repair work on River Road, Piedmont Natural Gas repair work on Laurel Valley Drive, and repair work by Optimum within Greenbrier and Belle Oaks subdivisions.
- Stormwater Crews addressed grease issues at Wingstop, 3511 Dr. M L King Jr. Blvd., and the owner facilitated cleanup.