

Glance Ahead-Upcoming City and Community Wide Activities

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

- **Footloose on the Neuse:** Friday, June 7th -6:30 p.m.-Thurston Howell Band- Union Point Park
- **NBPD Swearing In Ceremony:** Monday, June 10th- 3:00 p.m.-City Hall
- **Board of Aldermen Meeting:** Tuesday, June 11th - 6:00 p.m.-City Hall
- **Redevelopment Commission Meeting:** Wednesday, June 12th -6:00 p.m.-City Hall
- **Employee Appreciation Luncheon:** Thursday, June 13th -11:00 a.m.-West New Bern Recreation Center
- **Community Cleanup:** Thursday, June 13th-3:00 p.m.-Amhurst Blvd.

City Wide

The **Golden LEAF** Board of Directors voted to approve the Elizabeth Avenue Drainage Improvements flood mitigation application for the City of New Bern for \$250,000! This award is focused on Phase 1 of the project with replacing the Elizabeth Avenue culverts.

Coming Soon-United Badges Blood Drive

The New Bern Police Department & New Bern Fire-Rescue, in partnership with the American Red Cross, will be holding a United Badges Blood Drive this summer. The event is scheduled for July 18th from 7:00am-5:30pm at the Knights of Columbus, 1125 Pine Tree Drive. You can make an appointment to give blood by visiting www.RedCrossBlood.org, putting in your zip code under “Find a Blood Drive” and scrolling down to the July 18th event. For any additional questions, please reach out to our American Red Cross rep Kristin Willis at (252)341-1325.

Comings, Goings and Such

A warm welcome to the following employee:

- Myron Ellison, Maintenance Construction Worker-Public Works

Department Items

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES:

HPC Design Review Meeting

The Historic Preservation Commission’s Design Review Meeting was held on June 5th. Three projects were discussed and are as follows:

- 818 BROAD ST. – Construction of a new free-standing pavilion for a new ice and water vending machine. This item was forwarded to the regular meeting.
- 615 NEW ST. – Removal of chain link fencing and replacement with wood privacy fencing. The Chair directed the staff to handle this application as a Minor Work item. This item did not proceed to the regular meeting.
- 717 and 719 NEW ST. (two lots) – This was a walk-in case wanting to determine whether the design thoughts for two new houses were generally feasible, so they could continue due diligence before purchasing the properties. This item did not proceed to the regular meeting.

Historic Tax Credits & Downtown Small-Scale Development Workshop

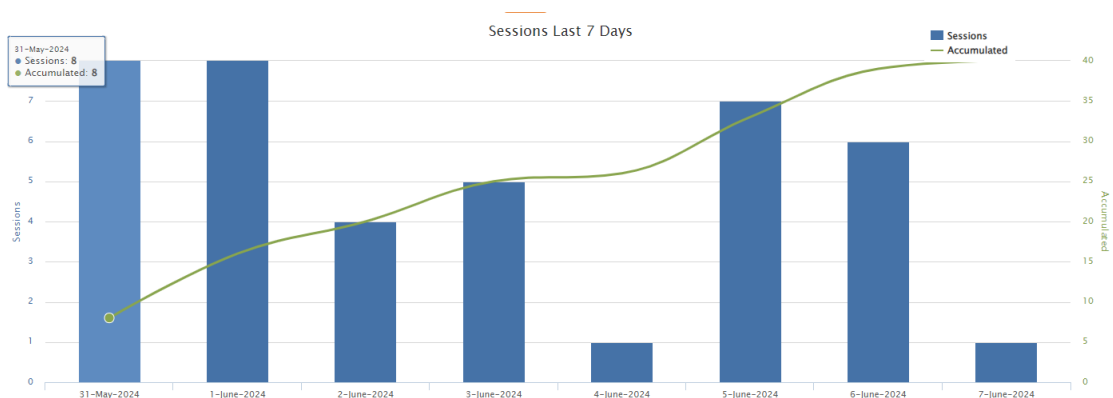
The Historic Preservation Administrator is working with Swiss Bear and the State’s NC Main Street & Rural Planning Center to prepare for this workshop in New Bern, at the Chelsea Restaurant, on June 12th. The Administrator has been asked to present information on how the Historic Preservation has leveraged economic development in New Bern. This is a regional event but would be great for anyone in New Bern who is interested in commercial downtown/historic neighborhood development areas such as Five Points, Pollock, and Queen.

Land Use

Four items were received for the June 3rd submittal date, one General Plan Subdivision and three Final Plats.

ELECTRIC UTILITY:

Red Bear EV Charging – Forty (40) charging sessions occurred in the past 7 days.



FINANCE:

Nothing to report this week

FIRE-RESCUE:

The New Bern Fire Department will be offering Child Seat Safety Classes June 11th through June 14th.

Incidents (40)	Child Passenger Safety Seat Installs (2)
Investigations (0)	Community Risk Reduction Events (4)
Inspections (53)	Mutual Aid Calls (0)
Home Safety Visits (5)	CO Detector Installs (3)
Education (1252 people)	Smoke Detector Installs (20)
Detector Battery Installs (4)	Training (449.5)

Note:

- Performed a safety talk for Greenbrier HOA.
- Several personnel attended the Craven County Firemen's Association Awards Ceremony / Diner.

HUMAN RESOURCES:

Please join us for our **Employee Appreciation Luncheon** on Thursday, June 13th from 11a.m.-1p.m. at the West New Bern Recreation Center. The Flame will be catering with hotdogs, hamburgers, and all the fixin's! We will also recognize longevity milestones, retirements, and other special accomplishments.

PARKS & RECREATION:

Broad Street Fishing Pier Project

A pre-bid meeting was held on June 5th with six contractors in attendance. Jordan Hughes, City Engineer, updated the plans for the pier and addressed any questions. The bid's due date was extended to June 20th to allow sufficient time for bids on the updated plans.

Henderson Park – Installation of the new playground equipment began this week.

New Bern Aquatic Center

The Aquatic Center and Splashpad's attendance/revenue for each day open are listed below:

- Friday, May 31st – Attendance: 116; Revenue: Admission \$481; Concession \$660.50
- Saturday, June 1st – Attendance: 366; Revenue: Admission \$1,465.75; Concession \$810.50
- Sunday, June 2nd – Attendance: 244; Revenue: Admission \$980.25; Concession \$420.00

CITY MANAGER’S WEEKLY REPORT

June 7, 2024

Special Event Applications – 5 this week

Burials – 3 this week

POLICE:

Special Events:

6/10/2024 & 6/11/2024 – Presentation for Interfaith Refugee

6/11/2024 – Abundant Life Food Drive

6/13/2024 – Community Clean-up (Amhurst Blvd)

6/15/2024 – Juneteenth Celebration – Rountree St.



ShotSpotter Activations			
<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u># of Shots</u>	<u>Notes</u>
5/30/2024	1439 Lincoln St	1	No evidence or victim located.
Total		1	

Wards	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Traffic Crash (No Injury)	2	2	0	7	2	8	21
Traffic Crash (With Injury)	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Traffic Crash (Unknown Injury)	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Traffic Stops	40	50	0	11	27	19	147
Noise Complaints	1	5	0	2	3	0	11

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Ward	Crime Type	Date/Time	Status
1	Burglary / B&E	6/1/2024 21:17	Further Investigation
	Larceny-All Other	5/29/2024 17:31	Further Investigation
2	Larceny-Theft From Motor Vehicle	5/30/2024 7:44	Further Investigation
	Motor Vehicle Theft	5/30/2024 7:44	Further Investigation
	Burglary / B&E	5/28/2024 13:34	Closed/Leads Exhausted
	Robbery	5/26/2024 15:54	Closed/Cleared
	Larceny-Shoplifting	5/28/2024 11:11	Further Investigation
	Larceny-Shoplifting	5/28/2024 12:47	Further Investigation
	Larceny-All Other	5/28/2024 12:47	Further Investigation
5	Larceny-All Other	5/27/2024 18:27	Closed/Leads Exhausted
6	Assault, Aggravated	6/1/2024 23:50	Closed/Cleared
	Burglary / B&E	6/1/2024 23:50	Closed/Cleared
	Larceny-All Other	5/30/2024 10:57	Further Investigation
	Burglary / B&E	5/28/2024 15:46	Further Investigation
	Larceny-All Other	5/28/2024 18:11	Closed/Leads Exhausted
	Burglary / B&E	5/29/2024 13:15	Closed/Leads Exhausted

Tip 411 Reports: Last 7 Days: 8 Tips Last 30 Days: 28 Tips Tips Received This Year: 64 Tips

PUBLIC WORKS:

- Broad Street & Middle Street Signal Project - signal mast locations have been marked for soil testing.
- Country Club Road Paving Project – The Project Coordinator/Asphalt Crew Supervisor met with contractor onsite to discuss project and scheduled to begin the week of June 24, 2024.
- Duffyfield Stormwater Enhancements Project Phase 1 - Work continues with pump station installation.
- East Rose Street Pump Station & Basin Expansion Project – Posted for bids May 16, 2024, with bid opening scheduled for June 20, 2024. We conducted a pre-bid meeting June 5, 2024, for East Rose Retrofit/basin expansion.
- Jack Smith Creek FEMA CAT D Project – The contract and execution was approved by the Board of Aldermen on May 14, 2024, for Avolis Landworks, LLC, New Bern.
- Lowes Boulevard Sidewalk Improvements Project – Pending installation of crosswalk signage, painted bollards are scheduled to install next week. Negotiation is underway on additional sidewalk work with contractor due to remaining funds for this project.
- Racetrack Road Improvements Project - Additional paving and improvements are scheduled to begin the week of June 24, 2024.

June 7, 2024

- Stormwater Asset Inventory & Assessment Project - Consultant is currently reviewing data and continues to prepare base mapping.
- Sutton Street/Henderson Park Project - Heavy Equipment Crews continue walkway construction; and Public Buildings Crews assisted with mounting railing/post and designed lighting for the walkway to be installed next week.
- Trent River FEMA CAT D Project - Contract and execution approved by the Board of Aldermen on May 14, 2024, for Carolina Cleaning, Greenville, N.C.
- Walt Bellamy & Bern Street Paving Project – Preconstruction meeting held June 4, 2024, and work is scheduled to begin following completion of water/sewer improvements contract.
- Heavy Equipment Crews performed equipment maintenance; mowing/cleaning of City-owned vacant lots, tree removal/trimming/mowing along City rights-of-ways; and continued sweeping City-maintained curbed streets.
- The Project Coordinator assisted with removal of advertising signage along City rights-of-ways.
- Public Buildings Crews performed many tasks for maintenance/repairs to City buildings, equipment, and/or grounds (City Garage, Fire Headquarters, Police Department Headquarters, and Public Utilities/Electric/Warehouse).
- 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. Crews continue to remove litter along the US Highway 70 Bypass between Pembroke & South Glenburnie Road exits, within city limits, as part of the City's participation in the NCDOT's Adopt-A-Highway Program. The next Craven County Clean Sweep Event is planned for June 19, 2024.
- Stormwater Crews continue to perform normal maintenance with cleaning/clearing of city-maintained inlets, outlets, and outfalls throughout the City of New Bern; and continue herbicide application throughout the drainage zones.

REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION:

Nothing to report 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 Morton Road, Lucerne Way, Jenny Lisa Lane, Educational Drive, Contentnea Avenue, Longview Drive, Rivershore Drive, Hunters Road, and Beaufort Street.
- In addition, operations staff continued working on the annual vegetation management work within the water and sewer easement areas which run through wooded and remote areas.

Significant Ward Related Items**Ward 1**

- Asphalt Crews, assisted by Stormwater Crews, completed Kafer Park parking lot project and repaired a water/sewer cut at 706 Contentnea Avenue.

- Concrete Crews repaired a sidewalk and installed a catch basin at 1624 Spencer Avenue (image shown below); completed a sidewalk project at 1st Street & Spencer Avenue (images shown below); replaced damaged traffic signage at Walt Bellamy Drive & 1st Street; updated a handicap sign at Pollock Street & Eden Street; and updated “no parking” signage at Bern Street & Cypress Street.



- Heavy Equipment Crews trimmed a fence line along Walt Bellamy Drive in preparation for the upcoming paving project and removed/installed event banners downtown.
- The Project Coordinator continues monitoring MetroNet work along Watson Avenue/National Avenue.
- Solid Waste Litter Crews continue to monitor/remove trash near downtown consolidated trash dumpsters.

Ward 2

- Asphalt Crews removed concrete barriers from Madison Avenue; performed street repairs at 2005 EF Thompkins Lane and at the intersection of Moore Avenue & Stimpson Street; and continued street repairs within the Pembroke Community.
- The Project Coordinator met with the contractor to discuss the upcoming Country Club Road Paving Project.
- Stormwater Crews performed ditch maintenance at Green Park Terrace and cut a drainageway at Christopher Avenue & Queen Anne Lane.

Ward 3

- This week, the contractors working on the water and sewer relocation work in James City were able to complete the tie-ins necessary to activate 6,000 feet of newly relocated 10" sewer main.
- Concrete Crews replaced street name signs for Thatcher Court and Austin Avenue; and scheduled to install speed limit signage for The Village, and Sellhorn Heights Subdivision.
- Bluewater Rise - The Project Coordinator continues to monitor ongoing construction.

- Carolina Colours Subdivision – The Project Coordinator continues to monitor the MetroNet installation of underground fiber, contractor repair work, and cleanup efforts. The Project Coordinator continues to monitor ongoing construction in this area and the failed driveway construction inspection at 6006 Bayberry Drive.
- Lake View Estates –The Project Coordinator inspected all outflows and reported several sections that need to be addressed (1022 Abbey Leigh, 3081 Bettye Gresham, 3009 Weatherby, along with a broken curb section needing repair at Weathersby & Bettye Gresham).
- Taberna – The Project Coordinator is coordinating with Optimum Gov. liaison to complete all repair work.

Ward 4

- Athens Acres Subdivision – The Project Coordinator performed an inspection of stormwater infrastructure.
- The Project Coordinator completed removal of expired locate flags within Colony Estates Subdivision.
- Stormwater Crews cut/cleaned a drainage way near 3412 Colony Drive (images shown below).



BEFORE



AFTER

Ward 5

- Asphalt Crews performed street repairs at 2204 Carolina Avenue.
- The Project Coordinator is monitoring MetroNet work along Broad Street/Sutton Street and forwarded a residential concern to the Public Utilities Department regarding a streetlight post replacement request within the Lake Tyler Subdivision.
- Stormwater Crews performed ditch maintenance on Lincoln Street; and mowed City drainage rights-of-ways along a canal on Beaufort Street.
- West New Bern Subdivision – The Project Coordinator continues monitoring ongoing construction.

Ward 6

- Asphalt Crews performed street repairs at the intersection of Trent Road & Commerce Way.

- Concrete Crews repaired a sidewalk and addressed drainage issues at 3725 Trent Road (image shown below).



- Belle Oaks Subdivision – The Project Coordinator continues to monitor ongoing construction.
- Cypress Shores Community – The Project Coordinator responded to a residential concern regarding street maintenance on Morton Road.
- Greenbrier Subdivision – The Project Coordinator continues coordinating with Optimum Gov. liaison to complete repair work.