



Town of Belville

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Message from the Mayor

Hello neighbors and friends,

Happy New Year! As we step whole heartedly into 2024, it's time to embrace new beginnings and exciting things that await us in Belville. The winter days may be chilly, but our community's eagerness and spirit are sure to keep us warm and cozy. Please enjoy the first newsletter of 2024 and learn about all that is taking place in our town!

As always, take care of each other!

Sincerely,
Mike Allen, Mayor



Board of Commissioners

December BOC Recap

In December, three elected officials were sworn in during the Board of Commissioners Meeting. Mayor Mike Allen, and Commissioners Chuck Bost and Morgan Mehler were sworn in to begin new terms. The Mayor and Commissioners were also appointed as delegates of the respective community organizations and agencies that involve representation from Belville. A Resolution was passed Acknowledging Jim Bucher's Eighth Work Anniversary with Sincere Appreciation and Thanks.

You can find the Board of Commissioners' agendas and meeting minutes [here](#).

January Public Meeting Schedule

ABC Board
January 16
6:30 PM

Board of Commissioners
January 18
6:30 PM

Planning Board
January 23
6:30

Things to Know



Swearing In of Elected Officials

We were delighted to swear in elected officials who continue to serve as leaders in our community. In December, Mayor Mike Allen, and Commissioners Chuck Bost and Morgan Mehler were sworn in to begin new terms and continue their service to Belville. Friends, family, and several leaders of surrounding communities came to show their support and pride for these gentlemen as they were sworn in. Belville is extremely grateful for such dedicated leaders.

Preservation Project to Temporarily Close Lanes of Cape Fear Memorial Bridge

A preservation project to extend the life of the Cape Fear Memorial Bridge, which connects New Hanover and Brunswick counties, will temporarily close portions of the bridge in 2024. While the bridge is safe, it is reaching the end of its lifecycle and must be monitored, inspected and maintained on a more frequent basis. Daily inspections of the steel vertical-lift bridge built in 1969 have shown the need to conduct longer-lasting improvements. The work scheduled to begin in January 11 will repair the moveable grid deck and the beams, known as stringers, that support it. This work is expected to be complete in spring 2024.

For a full schedule and to stay updated on closures and timelines please visit the [NCDOT Website](#).

January Town Closures

Town Hall offices will be closed Monday January 15 in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr Day.

Belville is on X!

Follow us on X, formerly known as Twitter, at [@TownofBelville](#).

Town and Regional Updates



Vendors at Belville Riverwalk Market

All vendors are closed for the season and are excited to see you back in the Spring!

Upcoming Events at Belville Riverwalk

Stay up-to-date on all that is taking place by following us on social media and checking our [website](#). We have a lot in store in 2024!

Belville Riverwalk Christmas Festival and Craft Fair Recap

We had so much fun at the Christmas Festival at Belville Riverwalk! We are grateful to the organizers, vendors, and attendees who helped make it a success. We are especially happy that Santa could take time during his busiest season to take photos and say hello to the children of Belville.

NC Highway 133 Roadway Construction

Construction on 133 in Belville is making great progress. This project will expand the roadway from Town Hall to Old River Road. Other upgrades will include a multiuse path along the west side of the roadway and a crosswalk at the Blackwell Rd / 133 intersection. Although this project may impact traffic at times, lane closures will only take place between 7 pm and 6 am.

Extra, extra! Read all about it!

The Belville Monthly Newsletter is a great way to stay connected with what is going on our our community. Please share this newsletter with a friend or neighbor to help spread all the exciting information that comes with each edition. New subscribers may send a request to be added to the distribution list to tobncsocialmedla@gmail.com.

Join the Belville Team

Job Openings

The Town of Belville is currently hiring for the position of *Planner*. See job descriptions and application information on our [Jobs Page](#).



Spotlight



Above are photos from the December 2023 Board of Commissioners Meeting in which newly elected leaders were sworn in. Each were supported by loved ones as they swore an oath to serve Belville with their hand on the Bible. From left to right are Mayor Mike Allen, Commissioner Chuck Bost, and Commissioner Morgan Mehler.



Enjoy these photos of the Belville Riverwalk taken by Jace Sanchez.



Thank you to everyone who sponsored, set up, and attended the Belville Lights by the River. We hope you and your family and friends enjoyed! The Belville Riverwalk has resumed its regular hours from dawn to dusk.

Noteworthy Events

[Belville Riverwalk](#)

Follow the Belville Riverwalk Park on [Facebook](#) to stay updated on events, vendors/markets, and weather impacts on events and schedules. We have lots in store for 2024!



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