



Town of Belville August 2024 Newsletter

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Message from the Mayor



Hello neighbors and friends,

As the summer season continues to unfold, I want to take a moment to express my gratitude for your continued involvement and support in our Town. This summer has been a season of vibrant community events and positive changes. We are thrilled with the completed River Road Improvement Project which will be a source of much needed mobility enhancement for our community. As the weather (hopefully) begins to cool down and our students and teachers return to the classroom, this time is a reminder to embrace change and growth. I am grateful for our town staff and volunteers who assisted with all the preparation and response to Tropical Storm Debby, and hope impacts were minimal to all. You are encouraged to remain vigilant and prepared as we continue further into Hurricane Season.

As always, take care of each other!

Sincerely,
Mike Allen, Mayor



Board of Commissioners

July BOC Recap

In July, the BOC heard an After Action Report on the 2nd Annual Food Truck Rodeo and received an update from the ABC Board. The Board heard a presentation from the Brunswick County Carousel Child Advocacy Center and their work to serve children in the area. The Board of Commissioners also received updates on the Riverwalk Project, Social Media efforts, and the Stormwater Feasibility Study. During the meeting, Belville Town Manager Athina Williams was recognized for her 18th work anniversary with the Town.

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

[Public Meeting Schedules](#)

[Board of Commissioners Meeting Calendar](#)

[ABC Board Meeting Calendar](#)

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[Planning Board Meeting Calendar](#)

Things to Know



Accepting Sponsors for First Annual Belville Classic Charity Golf Tournament

(October 28)

We are accepting sponsors to be a part of Belville's first Charity Golf Tournament. You or your organization can become a Gold, Silver, or Bronze Level sponsor, or sponsor a specific hole. The event will support Belville Elementary School. You can check out sponsorship details [here](#).

Town Events!

Stay up to date on events through our [Events Website](#), follow us on social media, and read our monthly newsletters for a list of schedules and updates on all the events to take place this year. Upcoming events are: Feast of the Pirates (by Wilmington Harbor Enhancement Trust) on September 14, Fall Festival on October 5, the Brunswick County Arts Council Intercultural Festival October 12, Trunk or Treat and Movie in the Park on October 26, and the First Annual Belville Golf Charity Tournament on October 28.

River Road Improvement Project

We are overjoyed by the progress of the River Road (NC 133) Improvement Project!. Thank you to all the crew and NCDOT staff who have helped make this project possible and take place smoothly!

Parks and Recreation Fundraiser at HWY 55

Come have a meal at HWY 55 Burgers Shakes & Fries in Leland! A portion of your meal will help fund Belville Riverwalk and the Parks and Recreation Department. Wednesday August 21, 5 - 9 pm.

Stormwater Improvements

NCDOT and the Town of Belville are working together to help alleviate flooding caused by the significant rainfall from Tropical Storm Debby. Thank you to the NCDOT, Coastal Exterior Solutions, and WithersRavenel for their help and support. Please be watchful for crews working over the next several days. The Town of Belville continues to work on the stormwater feasibility study and address ways to improve responses to severe weather.

Pet Registration

You can now Register your pets with Belville! In the event they are lost and found, we can help reunite you with your pet. Register your pet by emailing Randy Collins at publicworks@townofbelville.com. Provide the pet's name; owner name, email, and phone number; home address, breed and description, and a photo!

Parks and Recreation Board Vacancies

The Town of Belville is accepting applications from citizens who are interested in an appointment to the Belville Parks and Recreation Board. Applications are available online under the Town Forms tab (Form TOB126a) or at the Belville Town Hall, located at 63 River Road, Belville, NC. Office hours are 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, Monday – Friday. For additional information regarding the vacancy, please contact Sharon Niemann, Town Clerk, at (910)371-2456. Application at townofbelville.com

Upcoming Town Closures

Town Hall offices will be closed Monday September 2 in recognition of Labor Day.

Belville is on X and LinkedIn!

Follow us on X, formerly Twitter, at [@TownofBelville](https://twitter.com/TownofBelville). And connect with us on LinkedIn at [linkedin.com/in/town-of-belville](https://www.linkedin.com/in/town-of-belville)

Town and Regional Updates



Cape Fear Memorial Bridge Investment

In July, the Federal Highway Administration announced a \$242 million investment for the Cape Fear Memorial Bridge Project. The NCDOT will receive \$242 million for the Cape Fear Memorial Bridge Replacement Project in Wilmington, to replace the 54-year-old structure that carries US 17/US 76/US 421 across the Cape Fear River between New Hanover and Brunswick Counties – the fastest-growing counties in the state. Learn more from the [Federal Highway Administration](#).

Belville Community Rowing is Hosting "Demo Days"

Come see what sculling is all about! The Belville Rowing Community will have rigging (Oarmasters) set up on the dock, demonstrate sculling, and answer your questions about taking a class and joining their group. Next events to be held on the boat dock at Belville Riverwalk are:

SEPTEMBER 7, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

OCTOBER 5, 11 AM - 1 PM

Learn more at the group's Facebook page ["Belville Community Rowing"](#)

Brunswick Heritage Riverside Ride

The 4th annual Brunswick Heritage Riverside Ride will take place September 28, 2024! The event is a 16-mile bike ride along northern Brunswick County's Gullah Geechee Cultural Heritage Corridor from Phoenix Park in Navassa to Belville Riverwalk Park and back. Various age groups and experience levels of cyclists are welcome to participate in this ride but must be able to ride 16 miles at a casual pace. Helmets are required and cyclists should give their bicycle a thorough safety inspection prior to the event. Learn more and register at [GoCoastNC.org](#).

Brunswick County Breakfast at the Kids Table

The Brunswick County Boys and Girls Club is hosting Breakfast at The Kids Table on October 8 from 7:30 to 9 am. This event is a fun and inspiring way to highlight the successes of the Club members and the life-changing programs the Club offers. Register and read more details [here](#).

Vendors at Belville Riverwalk Market

Angie's Fresh Produce is open Saturday's from 10am-5:30pm, and Sundays from 10am-5pm. Seaview Crab Company will be at the Market Friday's 11am-6:30pm, Saturday's 10am-6:30pm, & Sundays 10am-4. Fun Time Ice Cream is at the Market weekdays noon to 7pm and weekends 11 am to 7 pm. Follow the [Riverwalk Facebook Page](#) to stay updated on weather-impacted closures and schedule changes.

Call for Volunteers!

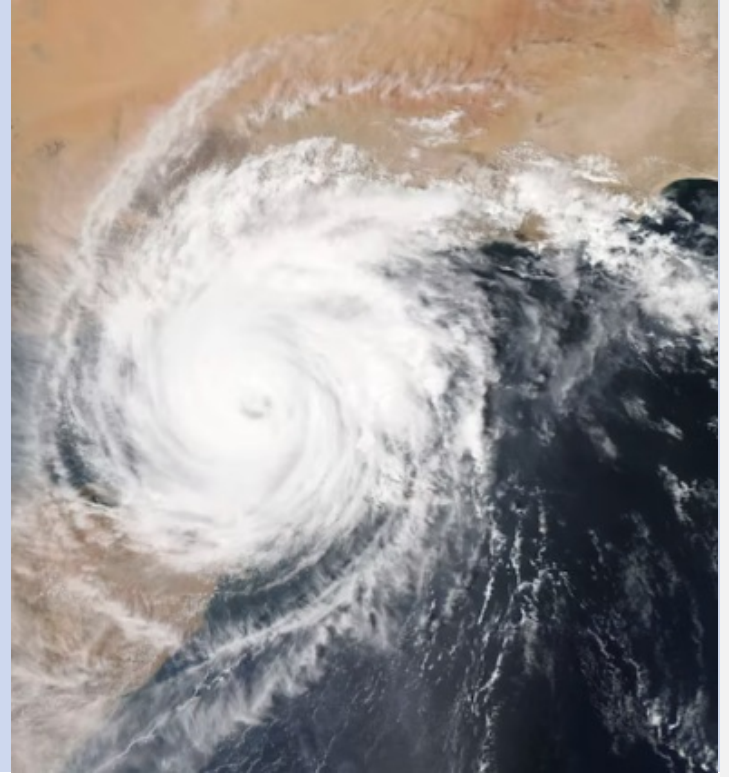
Volunteering with Belville Parks and Recreation gives you an opportunity to leave a lasting impact on the places and programs to help with the completion of many projects and delivery of critical programs. If you would like to volunteer for upcoming events, contact Jim Bucher, Park Manager at parksandrec@townofbelville.com

Extra, extra! Read all about it!

The Belville Monthly Newsletter is a great way to stay connected with what is going on in 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 tobncsocialmedia@gmail.com.

Hurricane Season June 1 - November 30

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) is predicting 12 to 17 named storms during the 2023 Hurricane Season. Learn how you and your loved ones can be prepared for this hurricane season at [NOAA.GOV](https://www.noaa.gov)



Join the Belville Team

Job Openings

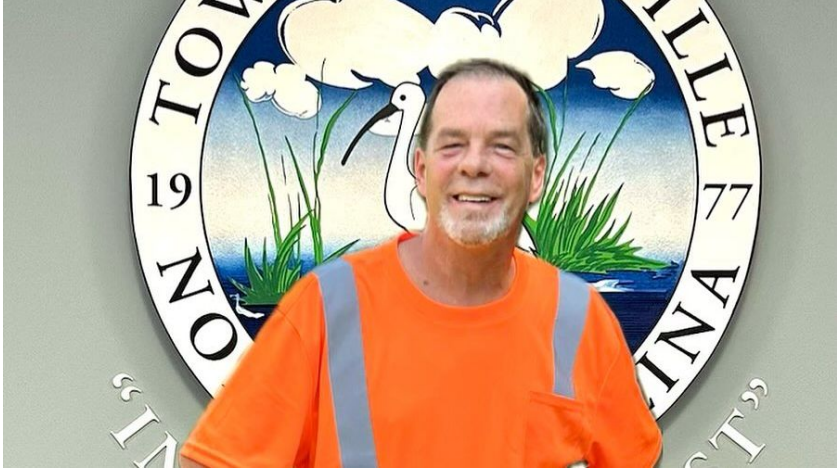
The Town of Belville is currently hiring for the position of *Grounds Maintenance Technician / Recreation Assistant*. See job descriptions and application information on our [Jobs Page](#) (coming soon).



Spotlight



At the July BOC meeting, our Town Manager was recognized for being with Belville for 18 years!!! We are so grateful to have Athina Williams working so hard for us each and every day. Thanks for all you do!



Please help us welcome the newest member to the Belville Team! Randy Collins is the Grounds Maintenance Technician. Randy will help keep our Riverwalk beautiful and ready for visitors!



In July, we wished a very happy birthday to our Mayor Pro Tem, Chuck Bost!



No more bumps! We're excited to announce the major construction on River Road (NC133) is nearing completion.



A photo of Belville's ongoing efforts to improve stormwater runoff in town.



Jace Sanchez, Administrative Assistant, is celebrating 1 year with Belville in August!



Linda Simmons Nixon, Maintenance Engineer, is celebrating 1 year with Belville in August!



Jeff Gruenewald, Chief Maintenance Engineer, is celebrating 2 years with Belville in August!

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 the rest of 2024!

[2024 Full Events List](#)

Feast of the Pirates
September 14

Information [here](#)
8am - 4 pm at Belville Riverwalk

Brunswick Heritage Riverside
Ride
September 28

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6:45 am
16 - mile bike ride from Navassa to Belville and
Back
Register and learn more at GoCoastNC.org

Fall Festival
October 5

October 5
10 am - 3 pm
Music, activities, food, shopping, and more!

Brunswick County Arts Council
Intercultural Festival
October 12

October 12
8 am - 7 pm
Information at bcifestival.org

Trunk or Treat and Movie n the
Park
October 26

Trunk or Treat: 4 - 6 pm
Movie (Monsters, Inc.) showing at 7 pm

First Annual Belville Classic
Charity Golf Tournament
October 28

Monday, October 28
8am - 3 pm
[Info and Registration Here](#)



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