



Town of Belville October 2024 Newsletter

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Message from the Mayor



Hello neighbors and friends,

We are excited for brisk mornings and autumn sunrises over the Brunswick River. These days that help highlight the beauty of our coastal community make our Riverwalk Park and it's events feel extra special. Thank you to our staff, volunteers, and Parks and Recreation Board who helped make the Annual Fall Festival this month an amazing success! We are excited for all that is to come and all the wonderful news we get to share in this newsletter!

As always, take care of each other!

Sincerely, Mike Allen, Mayor



Board of Commissioners

September BOC Recap

In September, the Belville Board of Commissioners passed a Resolution Designating October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and a Resolution Commemorating Indigenous Peoples' Day. The Board received an update on upcoming events at the Belville Riverwalk and the Town's Stormwater Feasibility Study.

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

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Things to Know



2024 Fall Festival Recap

Our Annual Fall Festival took place on October 5 from 10 am to 3 pm. We had over 3,200 people come celebrate the start of the new season. Over 30 vendors and food trucks came to show off their merchandise and food, provide fun and games, as well as live entertainment! Thank you to all the attendees and personnel who made this event a success!

Other Upcoming 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.

Belville Anniversaries

We celebrated some anniversaries of Belville Employees and Public Servants during the September BOC meeting! Kerry Wooding celebrated his first work anniversary with the Town. Commissioner Ryan Merrill celebrated 7 years as an elected Board member. Commissioner Chuck Bost celebrated eight years as an elected Board member.

Veterans Creative Arts Program

Veterans, are you looking for a way to develop your creative side?

The Veterans Creative Arts program running every Tuesday until December 17, from 12PM - 2PM in Wilmington at the Davis Center, will show you how to explore creative arts and writing - and learn how to visualize and communicate your ideas through art and the written word. This open studio class is great for Veterans or First Responders looking for an outlet to deal with PTSD through artistic creation. Call 910.254.0907 for more information.

River Road Improvement Project

Work continues on the multi-use path along HWY 133. Crews recently installed guardrails between the roadway and multiuse path. The path is on target for completion at the end of the year, potentially sooner. Among the topics discussed, placement of a proposed water station along the path and finalizing construction. Thanks to WithersRavenel, S&C Construction and NCDOT for their help and support on this project!

Christmas in Historic Savannah

There are still open spots for the December trip to Savannah! The trip includes a 3 day / 2 night package with transportation, hotel, multiple meals, guided tours, entertainment, and more! Dates are December 13 - 15 and the cost is \$599 per person. Learn more by contacting Ian McLeod @ 910-371-2456 or imcleod@townofbelville.com

Hurricane Preparedness

Hurricane season ends on November 30th. It's still predicted to be a busy season until the end of November. Are you prepared?

Visit our website for a Hurricane Preparation Guide and more emergency resources townofbelville.com

Breast Cancer Awareness Month

October is Breast Cancer Awareness month. Breast cancer is the most common cancer in women in North Carolina, and the second leading cause of cancer deaths for women in the state. Regular screenings can help women detect breast cancer early. When detected early, patients have more options for treatment and a better chance the treatment will be successful. Schedule a screening with your doctor, today.

Halloween Safety Tips

Check out [these safety tips](#) from Brunswick County Fire on how to stay safe this Halloween.

Spring 2025 Trip to New Orleans

We are *jazzed* to invite you to join us in New Orleans for our Spring 2025 Trip! This trip will include round trip airfare, 4 nights of hotel lodging, 6 meals, guided tours, and more! Registration is now open. Prices include \$2,199 per person for a double occupancy room, or \$2,649 for single occupancy. For more information and to register please contact Ian McLeod at 910-371-2456 or imcleod@townofbelville.com

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Belville and Public Safety

Belville's Town Manager Athina Williams attended a countywide Emergency Management Services in late September. The meeting brought together local municipalities to discuss disaster relief efforts for those affected by recent storm events. Information for how to donate to those impacted by Potential Tropical Cyclone 8 can be found [here](#). Information on how to donate to those impacted by Hurricane Helene can be found [here](#).

Brunswick County Breakfast at the Kids Table

Belville's chosen charity, The Boys and Girls Club of Southeastern North Carolina 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, sponsor, and find more details [here](#).

Vendors at Belville Riverwalk Market

Angie's Fresh Produce is open Saturday's from 10am-5:30pm. Seaview Crab Company will be at the Market Friday's 11am-5:30pm, Saturday's 10am-5:30pm, & Sundays 10am-4. Weekly hours for Fun Time Ice Cream can be found on their [Facebook Page](#). You can also follow the [Riverwalk Facebook Page](#) to stay updated on weather-impacted closures and schedule changes.

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!

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. Read the Navigation Impact Report and learn about the three proposed alternatives [here](#).

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

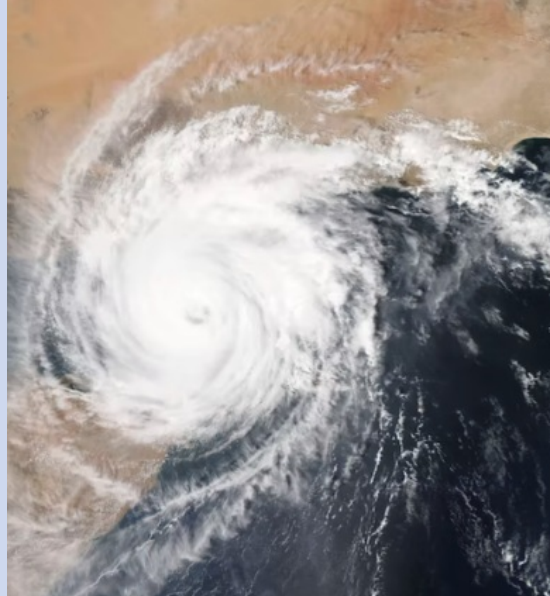
Extra, extra! Read all about it!

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).



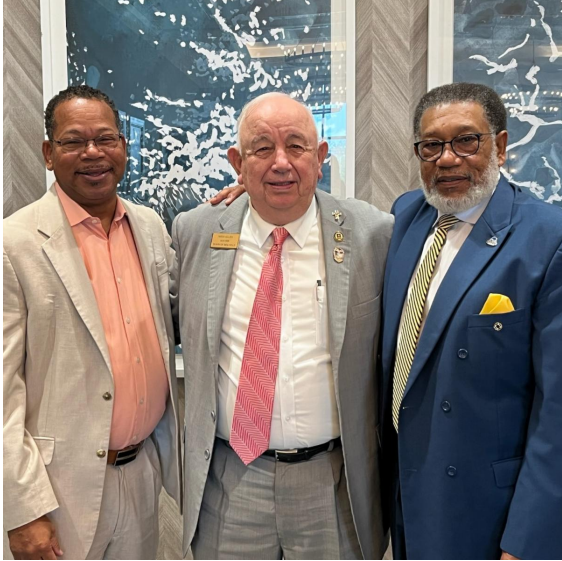
Spotlight



Thank you to the Road crews from various agencies, including NCDOT, continue to address and repair Brunswick County roads affected by the recent storm.



In October, we wished a Happy Birthday to Chad Staradumsky (Town Planner), Richard Trexler (ABC Board Member), and Ian McLeod (Events and Outreach Coordinator)!



In September, Belville's Mayor Mike Allen attended the North Carolina Mayors Association Seminar in Downtown Wilmington today. Included in the items on the agenda, legislative goals and improving town operations. Speakers from the North Carolina League of Municipalities gave valuable insights on several topics facing local municipalities.



In September, Belville's Town Manager Athina Williams and Thomas Bennett, MPA of NC's Department of Public Safety) attended a countywide Emergency Management Services meeting to discuss disaster relief efforts for those affected by recent storm events.

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!

Upcoming Events

Belville Christmas Craft Fair,
Light Show, and Movie
December 7, 2024

Saturday, December 7
10 am - 9 pm
Belville Riverwalk Park

Belville Winter Trip: Historic
Savannah

December 13-15

Belville Spring Trip: New
Orleans
March 2025

March 24 - March 29, 2025
New Orleans, LA
Contact Ian McLeod at
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