Town of Belville NEWSLETTER

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November Events • Recognitions • Important Updates



An egret looks for a late October lunch by the new boardwalk and trail extension of the Belville Riverwalk.

Mayors Message



Progress, Promise, and the Future of Belville

As we get closer to the end of 2026, I continue to be excited by the progress I see taking place throughout Belville.

The second phase of the Belville Riverwalk is nearing completion, which will allow residents and visitors more opportunities to enjoy our area's natural beauty and to experience all that makes Belville special providing a respite from

the hustle and bustle of our busy, everyday lives!

I am also excited about the progress being made toward the development of our downtown area and municipal complex. After years of challenges and delays in our downtown area, we are optimistic that a vibrant downtown area that provides new gathering spaces, economic growth, and a renewed sense of community is near. The municipal complex will also allow for more organizations and facilities such as the Veteran's Cultural Arts Program & Veteran's Facility to join Belville's ever growing family.

Finally, please exercise your right to vote! If you have not done so, Election Day is November 3rd. As a veteran, I have seen countries that don't have the opportunity to have a say on how they are governed. We have a great group of elected local, state, and federal officials that are working hard to help, not only the areas that they represent, but have been instrumental in helping Belville and I can't thank them enough. I am excited and encouraged to work with them in the future.

Your Belville town leaders and staff are working hard to provide the most efficient and effective town government that you deserve. I truly believe that the future of Belville is full of promise, and that our best days are still ahead. I look forward to continuing this journey with you as we build on our accomplishments, embrace new opportunities, and make Belville an even better place to live, work, and play.

Stay safe,

Chuck Bost
Mayor of Belville



Town and Regional Updates

Town Projects Update

Riverwalk Extension

Phase II of the Belville Riverwalk Boardwalk Extension Project is nearing completion and barring any weather delays, the project should finish up soon.

Work has been completed on the new over-water gazebo as well as walking trails and boardwalk extensions that will add more spectacular river views...
And more than a few extra steps to your daily walk along the Riverwalk.



This completed boardwalk extension looks back toward the existing Riverwalk boardwalk. In this photo, you can see the freshly poured concrete pad and ADA transition that makes the pathway and areas ADA accessible.



On the completed boardwalk extension.



Looking toward the Brunswick River from the boardwalk. Thanks to Withers-Ravenel engineering and TD Eure Marine Construction for their amazing work.



Madame Town Manager Athina Williams, Assistant Town Manager Chad Staradumsky and Mayor Pro Tem Ryan Merrill explore the trails together.



Mayor Pro Tem Ryan Merrill and Assistant Town Manager Chad Staradumsky walk with contractors Withers-Ravenel as they inspect the soon to be completed extended RIverwalk Park trails.



The view from the gazebo, looking south toward the Atlantic Ocean. In the distance, the Port of Wilmington.



A closer look at the newly added support beams and detail of the gazebo.



Mayor Pro Tem Ryan Merrill takes a moment to admire the craftsmanship of the 400 foot boardwalk railing.

Boardwalk Expansion
Ribbon Cutting & Grand Opening

We're almost ready to welcome everyone to this great new addition to our community! Soon, we'll be announcing a ribbon cutting ceremony and a chance for residents and visitors to explore this amazing new space!

Please, for your safety, do not explore the trail extensions, new boardwalks or added paths until all work is completed.

THANK YOU - we appreciate your patience and understanding.

New Kayak Launch

There’s a new way to get out on the water at Belville Riverwalk Park! Our new kayak launch is now in place, providing visitors with convenient access to the beautiful Brunswick River and even more opportunities to enjoy the outdoors.

Located off the Fishing Pier and designed with improved ADA accessibility, the new launch makes it easier for more members of our community to experience everything our waterfront has to offer.



Whether you're an experienced paddler or looking to try kayaking for the first time, we invite you to grab a paddle, enjoy the scenery, and explore the natural beauty of Belville from the water.



The kayak launch was installed by EZ Dock - thanks to Tommy Cook and his team in the Wilmington store for their hard work.

New Belville Business - Mitchell Homes

We welcomed a new Belville Business in October - **Mitchell Homes**!

The grand opening ribbon-cutting ceremony marked an exciting milestone for Mitchell Homes and provided an opportunity for town officials, community members, and guests to come together and celebrate this new addition to our community.

As Belville continues to experience growth and development, businesses like Mitchell Homes play an important role in shaping the future of our town. We're excited to see Mitchell Homes become part of the Belville business community and look forward to watching their continued success. Please join us in welcoming Mitchell Homes to Belville!



Mitchell Homes new showroom is located at 42 Waterford Business Center Way, Suite A in Belville. Mitchell Homes will help you build your dream home.



Mitchell Homes CEO Scott Sleeme cuts the ribbon at the Grand Opening of Mitchell Homes new showroom on Saturday, October 17, 2026 as Mayor Chuck Bost looks on.



(From left to right) Members of the North Brunswick Business Chamber - Mary Klein and Lisa Ayscue - join Madame Town Manager Athina Williams at the grand opening of Mitchell Homes.



Commissioner Hunter Smith (left) and a member of the Mitchell Homes team.



With models and materials for every room of your home - Mitchell Homes features a wide variety of fixtures and options to customize and make your home truly one-of-a-kind.

Reminder: Keep Pets on a Leash

As outlined in the town's ordinance, the Town of Belville enforces a strict leash law and violators can be fined. When not on your property, and especially in the Belville Riverwalk or out on a stroll through your own neighborhood **PETS MUST BE RESTRAINED ON A LEASH** at all times, **NO EXCEPTIONS**.

Citations will be issued to pet owners that do not comply.

Please, keep your pets on a leash when not on your property. **This applies to both dogs and cats.**



Events & Important Dates

BELVILLE RIVERWALK PARK

Belville Riverwalk Events



Wednesday, November 11 from 11am-3pm *celebrate and honor those that served on Veteran's Day. The Belville Riverwalk will host a Celebration of Service and you're invited!*



Saturday, December 5 from 4-6pm *join us for our annual Christmas Tree Lighting at the Belville Riverwalk Park.*

Belville Board Meetings



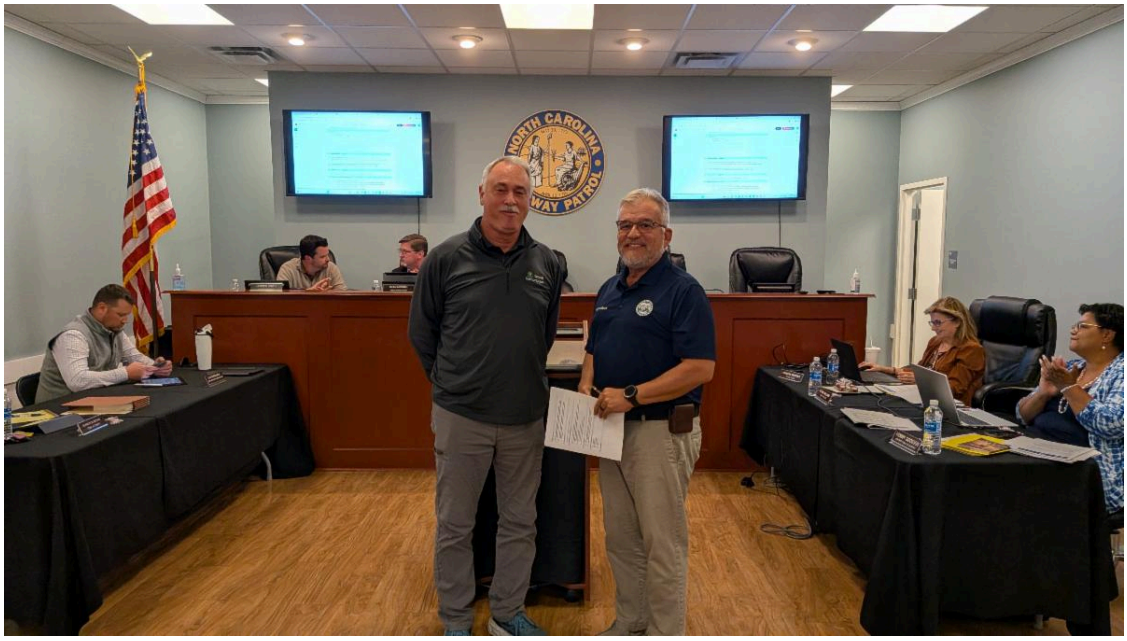
Tuesday, November 10 the Belville Planning Board *will hold their monthly meeting at Brunswick Community College, Leland Center, 2045 Enterprise Blvd. Room 204. For the Planning Boards meeting schedule and meeting agendas,* ***click here****.*

Tuesday, November 10 the Belville Parks & Rec Board *will hold their monthly meeting at Westport Lofts Meeting Room, at Westport Lofts, 1001 Broadbank Drive, Belville, NC. For the Parks & Rec Board meeting schedule and meeting agendas,* ***click here****.*

Tuesday, November 17 the Belville ABC Board *will hold their monthly meeting at Brunswick Community College, Leland Center, 2045 Enterprise Blvd. Room 204. For the ABC Boards meeting schedule and meeting agendas,* ***click here****.*

Tuesday, November 17 the Belville Board of Commissioners *will hold their monthly meeting at 63 River Road at 6PM. For the BOC's meeting schedule and meeting agendas,* ***click here****.*

Service Awards & New Appointments



The ABC Board added a new member. Here Mayor Chuck Bost (right) swears in Tommy Wallace to the Belville ABC Board at the October 27th Belville Board of Commissioners meeting.



At the October BOC meeting Mayor Chuck Bost recognizes Dean St. John for 10 years of service to the Town of Belville. Mr. St. John serves on the Belville Planning Board.

Birthdays

Happy Birthday to Mayor Pro Tem/Commissioner **Ryan Merrill**, Assistant Town Manager/Planning Director **Chad Staradumsky,** and **Kayla Perkins**, our new Parks & Recreation Director, who all celebrated birthdays in October.

Recognizing Service



Our October Employee of the Month was Accountant Kemmy Goodson. THANK YOU, Kemmy, for your service to the town.

Featured News & Events

The 3rd Annual Belville Classic Charity Golf Tournament

The Town of Belville was proud to host the 3rd Annual Belville Classic Charity Golf Tournament at Magnolia Greens, bringing together local businesses, community supporters, and golf enthusiasts for a day of friendly competition and charitable giving.

The tournament is about making a lasting difference in the lives of local students. Proceeds from the tournament benefit students at Belville Elementary School, helping provide resources and support that contribute to their educational success.

Through the generosity of sponsors, participants, and volunteers, the event demonstrated what can be accomplished when a community comes together with a shared purpose.



From left to right, Mayor Pro Tem Ryan Merrill, Mayor Chuck Bost, Commissioner Morgan Mehler (his team won third place) and Commissioner Hunter Smith getting ready to tee off at the 2026 Belville Classic.



Belville Elementary's team included Parks & Rec Board Member Brooks Rockwell (far right), who also helped collect raffle donations for the tournament.



1st Place & Winners of the 2026 Belville Classic - The Golf Barn. Team: Ed Burnett, Brad Phillips, Wes Merrill and Charles Baldwin.



Second Place Winners of the 2026 Belville Classic - United Rentals. Team: Nick Trinajstich, Chris Tucker, William Wallace, Jacob Oliver.



Third Place Winners of the 2026 Belville Classic - Mehler Law Firm. Team: Morgan Mehler, Lee Mehler, Chris Severt, Tim Geary.



Principal Allison Dixon and Belville students take a photo with Mayor Chuck Bost and Mayor Pro Tem Ryan Merrill at the 2026 Belville Classic held at Magnolia Greens golf course. These students were selected because of their excellent grades and as house leaders of Belville Elementary.



Drew Daymond of Cape Fear Engineering surprises Belville students with raffle tickets, courtesy of Cape Fear Engineering.



(Left) A Belville student practices her putting, (right) Parks and Recreation Chairman and Communications Director Vince Matthews shows Belville students how to line up a putt before the putting contest.

FOCUS BROADBAND

3RD ANNUAL BELVILLE CLASSIC

NORTH STAR SURVEYING, INC.

GFT

FARM BUREAU INSURANCE

MARK A. ELLENBERG

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CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

THE GOLF BARN

Waterford Village Shoppes

BROOKS PIERCE

Gregory Poole CAT

WELLS INSURANCE

MEHLER LAW FIRM

A huge THANK YOU to all our sponsors, supporters and volunteers for helping make the 3rd Annual Belville Classic another great success! We can't do it without you! THANK YOU!



It's not too late to HELP MAKE A DIFFERENCE in a child's life. Stop by Town Hall to donate or purchase a Belville Classic t-shirt, balls or tees (these will make a great stocking stuffer for the golfer in your life!) while supplies last.

It's FORE the kids!

Trunk or Treat Monster Mash

The Belville Riverwalk came alive with Halloween spirit during the Town's annual Trunk or Treat Monster Mash! Families from across the community gathered for an evening of trick-or-treating, festive decorations, and plenty of spooky fun.

Children trick or treated with awesome decorated trunks, while DJ Beetlejuice kept the party going with music and entertainment. Adding to the excitement was a special appearance by the iconic Oscar Mayer Wienermobile, that MONSTER MACHINE brought an extra helping of fun and excitement to the Riverwalk event!

The evening also featured a costume contest - congratulations to all the winners and participants - your costumes were amazing! And CONGRATULATIONS too - to **Dimock, Weinberg & Cherry - Coastal Carolina Pediatric Dentistry** - they won **Best Decorated Trunk**! And extra special thanks to everyone who hosted a trunk at this years Trunk or Treat!

Thanks too, WWAY TV 3 for being our title sponsor and of course, you, for coming out and sharing this Halloween tradition with us.



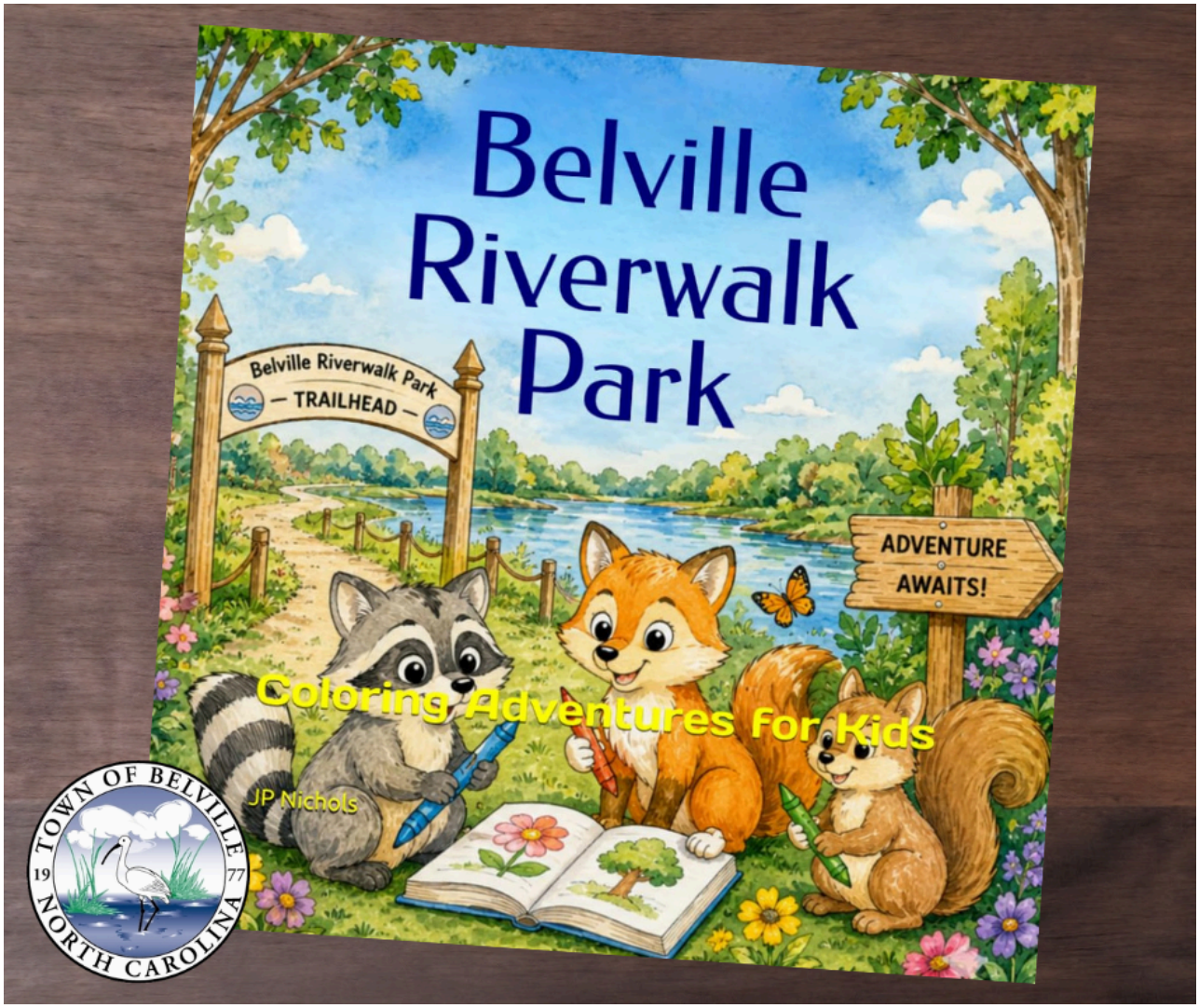
DJ & Ghost Host Beetlejuice (right) with attendees of the Trunk or Treat Monster Mash!



DJ Juice and kids show off their spooky outfits for the crowd at the Trunk or Treat Monster Mash Costume Contest.

Holiday Gift Giving

The holidays are just around the corner and we've got a great idea for gift giving!



Belville Riverwalk Park: Coloring Adventure for Kids

Created by author JP Nichols and inspired by the sights, wildlife, and natural beauty found at Belville Riverwalk Park, the **Belville Riverwalk Coloring Book: Coloring Adventure for Kids** will make a great Christmas gift.

It's more than just a coloring book—it's a keepsake that celebrates Belville, our Riverwalk, and the importance of connecting children with the outdoors.

Pick up a copy here, grab some crayons, and let the adventure begin!

2026 BOC and Board Meeting Calendars

The Town of Belville believes in transparent and open communication with its residents and encourages Belville residents to attend Board of Commissioners, Parks & Recreation, ABC and Planning Board meetings.

Board of Commissioners Meeting Calendar

ABC Board Meeting Calendar

Parks and Recreation Board Meeting Calendar

[Planning Board Meeting Calendar]





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