With the increasing storm intensity during the summer months, or rainy season, we are seeing more and more areas of the City subjected to flooding that seem to be getting worse every year. As such, the City has updated our Stormwater Master Plan to address both stormwater conveyance (moving and storing water) and treatment (removing pollution prior to the water entering the lagoon). The City is embarking on largescale projects in the next five to ten years that will include pipe replacements and increasing flow capacity, adding conveyance systems where none exist today, and adding nutrient removal processes.

The City will be addressing Jackson Avenue, Kale and Hamlin areas, Ocean Avenue, and other areas that experience severe flooding during heavier rain events. While many of the areas of the City experience short-term road flooding during a storm or rain event, those areas identified above have immediate needs related to aging infrastructure and have flood issues that have the potential to worsen exponentially if corrected measures are not taken.

There are some areas of the City that are more susceptible to flooding due to elevation, age of the home (older homes did not have elevation requirements that are present today), and height of the water table (a higher water table can slow water percolation, thus affecting recovery). As such, the City will be addressing these areas first as funding becomes available.

As storms intensify, more areas will be affected by rising waters due to rainfall and a rising water table. The City is updating our plan and monitoring our City flood risk areas on a yearly basis. We are also looking at addressing zoning code regulations to encourage commercial properties that were constructed prior to current stormwater regulations to redevelop their properties to include stormwater treatment and attenuation. This proposal includes a 10-foot height increase for commercial properties on the west side and adjacent to SR A1A. This would provide enough space for property owners to raise the buildings for the addition of stormwater on-site.

The City has held two town hall meetings to discuss this proposal. We plan on holding more town hall meetings in the future to continue this discussion and we encourage your attendance. You will receive a letter from the City Manager when we get these additional meeting scheduled.

We hope that you can help us address these challenges we face and be part of the solution. Thank you!
FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

The City of Satellite Beach Fire Department is teaming up with the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA)—the official sponsor of Fire Prevention Week for more than 90 years to promote this year’s Fire Prevention Week campaign, “Not Every Hero Wears a Cape. Plan and Practice Your Escape!” The campaign works to educate everyone about the small but important actions they can take to keep themselves and those around them safe. Fire Prevention Week is October 6th-12th.

In a typical structure fire, you may have as little as one to two minutes to escape safely from the time the smoke alarm sounds. Escape planning and practice can help you make the most of the time you have, giving everyone enough time to get out. While Fire Prevention Week typically focuses on home fires, these messages apply to virtually any location. “Situational awareness is a skill people need to use wherever they go,” said Fire Chief David Abernathy. “No matter where you are, look for available exits. If the alarm system sounds, take it seriously and exit the building immediately.”

To find out more about Fire Prevention in the City of Satellite Beach, please contact the Satellite Beach Fire Department at 321-773-4405. And follow us on Facebook. For more general information about fire prevention and home escape planning, visit www.fpw.org.

FIRE DEPARTMENT PROMOTES FIRST FEMALE CAPTAIN

Fire Chief David Abernathy announces the promotion of Acting Captain Rhiannon Iverson to the rank of Fire Captain. Iverson has ascended through the ranks of the nearly all-male department over the past 13 years. She served as acting Captain since the promotion of Jeff Dangler to Deputy Chief in 2018. “The City of Satellite Beach is home to many accomplished female administrators. Iverson joins this valued list of professionals. She is a hard-working and dedicated firefighter that has earned our support and respect, as well as, this critical rank in our community,” said Mayor Frank Catino.” Iverson, a 12-year veteran, joined the City of Satellite Beach Fire Department in 2006, serving as volunteer firefighter and was offered a full-time position in 2007. She is a graduate from the Fire Academy at Eastern Florida Fire College and is a registered Paramedic. “As a long-time resident of Satellite Beach, and the Satellite Beach City Manager, I am very proud of her accomplishment. Iverson is a first-rate employee and is well-deserving of this promotion. She will be the first female Fire Captain in the City and she is an outstanding role model for young women looking at public safety as a career,” said Courtney Barker, City Manager. Nationwide, only 4 percent of firefighters are female according to the US Department of Labor. Chief Abernathy said, “Iverson is an outstanding firefighter and person in charge. Her positive attitude and work ethic were recognized early on here at the City and she continues to show her strength and dedication to the job. She is a huge asset to the Department, and we feel certain she will serve the City residents very well in her position as Fire Captain.” The City employees 2 additional females who bring the same dedication and commitment to the Department. Congratulations Rhiannon Iverson!
RUMOR ALERT

Unfortunately, there are groups of people on social media that will review an agenda item and make broad assumptions without fact-checking them before posting these rumors. Sources for these rumors are several Facebook pages that continually perpetuate false information. Please be mindful that anything on social media is likely to be untrue and to please call City Hall at 773-4407 or email clerk@satellitebeach.org for the facts. You may wish to attend the City Council meetings to hear the presentations from staff to Council, hear the discussion participate and ask questions on agenda items. We look forward to seeing you at the meetings.

RUMOR: The City obtained a $1.4 million loan using lagoon tax funds to further the agenda of building “large and expensive developments.”

FACT: This is completely false. The City provides our share of the Indian River Lagoon Sales Tax funds directly to the County for lagoon restoration. The $1.4 million loan is completely unrelated to the lagoon. The revenues pledged to pay for this loan are current revenues from the City’s share of STATE sales tax revenue, which is an existing revenue source. The $1.4 million loan was approved to specifically pay for a facility repair and upgrade contract with ABM Building Services. All facility improvements made with the $1.4 million loan are to CITY owned facilities and have absolutely nothing to do with “large and expensive developments.”

On July 18, 2019 the City Council approved adoption of Resolution No. 1013 authorizing the issuance of $1,463,000 Florida Half-Cent Sales Tax Revenue Notes, Series 2019 with a fixed interest rate of 2.55% for 15 years to consider entering into an Energy Efficiency Contract for capital projects and repairs. At the August 7, 2019, City Council meeting, the Council approved entering into a contract with ABM Building Services, LLC an Energy Performance Company. The company provides for an efficient system-wide approach for the upgrade and replacement of aging capital equipment, resulting in lower long-term operating and maintenance costs including guaranteed energy cost savings to the City. The contract includes the following facility improvements: Comfort Control Upgrades (thermostat replacement) HVAC Replacement and Improvements, Citywide LED lighting, solar lighting around the Lake at Desoto Park, Building Envelope modifications to reduce infiltration and exfiltration of air into and out of the building, Roof Replacement, and Telephone System Upgrades.

RECRUITING FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

The Satellite Beach Police Department has many opportunities for those who are looking to donate their time and give back to their community. We are anxious to have you join our team!

The Satellite Beach Police Department has openings for individuals who are interested in volunteering in our Citizens On Patrol, House Check Program, Marine Patrol, ATV (must have ATV experience) or Walking Beach Patrol Programs. We also have a Bike Patrol Program, Fingerprints, Special Events and our Stop By & Say Hi Program. You don’t have to be a resident in the City, but you must complete a background check, drug screen and the required training in each program you participate in. Our only requirement is that you donate 2 hours a week, 8 hours a month. Our police department volunteers are an extension of our eyes and ears and provide invaluable services for our community.

Our department is looking for positive, energetic individuals who want to have fun and be a part of our community. Come join us. For more information, contact Barb Holland at 773-4400, ext 130.
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YOUTH COUNCIL VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

With the start of the new school year, the Satellite Beach City Council unanimously approved the creation of a Youth Council in the City of Satellite Beach. The program is spearheaded by City Councilwoman Jodi Rozycki and to assist with the program success is staff liaison, Director of Recreation, Cassie Warthen, all members of the Satellite Beach City Council, local volunteers, and organizations. “In addition to city government, and the roles and responsibilities of City Council members, students will have the chance to learn about other tiers of government,” Rozycki said. “There will be opportunities for students to learn about their municipal/county government, participate in the Florida League of Cities Annual Youth Summit and work on community projects that could lead to potential partnerships with the School Board, non-profits and local businesses. We will also teach them about some of our closest community partners. We hope this program will encourage them to learn more about civic engagement and responsibility, and get involved throughout the community.” The Youth Council will be composed of seven members, who are high school students enrolled in a public, private or homeschool program and residents of the City of Satellite Beach. The terms of each member will expire upon their high school graduation. Applications and information materials on the program will be made available through social media, homeschool groups and online at www.satellitebeachfl.org. All applications should be returned by September 20th to the City Clerk’s Office at clerk@satellitebeach.org or in person at 565 Cassia Ave. Those with additional questions can contact the Recreation Department at 321-773-6458. “The Youth Council will provide a conduit for youth voice to city leadership, help promote civic engagement and community service and foster an understanding of how municipal governments works. We look forward to working with our local youth,” said City Manager Courtney Barker.

FROM THE LIONS CLUB

The Satellite Beach Lions are preparing for another year of fundraising and service to our community. We will kick things off with our Pancake Breakfast fundraiser on October 6th, 8 a.m. to noon, at the Satellite Beach City Hall (565 Cassia Blvd). Enjoy all you can eat pancakes and sausage for just $5 per person. Beverages will be served by the kids from P.A.L. Tickets are available in advance or at the door. Call 321-773-3607 for tickets or more information.

On Oct. 24th we will host another Tri-Tip BBQ Fundraiser from 6:30-dark at the main pavilion at Pelican Beach Park. Tickets are $12 in advance, $15 at the door. Tickets include a full meal of tri-tip, a variety of side dishes, desserts, and drinks. We’ll have our famous 50/50 raffle and all proceeds will go back to the community. Call 321-773-3607 for tickets or more information.

Golfers: Mark your calendars for our Tournament for Sight on Nov. 16th at The Habitat golf club in Valkaria. We need teams of 4 to participate in the tournament; pick your team or sign up individually. Entry fee is $65 and includes greens fees, cart, and a lunch buffet. There will be team prizes, raffles, and goody bags. The tournament starts at 8 A.M. (Check-in starts at 7 A.M.). The deadline to enter is Nov. 12th. Contact Lion Joe Hauser to register by calling 321-452-0376 or email to josephhauser@bellsouth.net. Don’t put it off, the field is limited to 128 paid entries.
The 55+ Club is a social club for all seniors 55 and up and is NOT limited to Satellite Beach residents. Annual dues are $7.00 for the remainder of 2019 and will increase to $10 for 2020. A bi-monthly newsletter is either mailed or emailed to members. Currently the club offers various card games, Mahjongg, Line Dancing, Indoor Walking, Fishing, Book Club, Lunch Bunch, Chess, Couponing, Day and Extended Travel, Gardening Group, Dining Out, Lunch Bunch, Social/Seasonal Parties and Educational Seminars. For more information, contact Joyce Scafidi, President, at 321-961-6408, email Roysjoyce0641@gmail.com, or visit www.55plusclubofsbg.com. The 55+ Club encourages seniors to stay active physically, mentally and socially by participating in any or all of the activities offered. A variety of programs are starting this fall from educational to social which will include either brunch, lunch, or hors de ’oeuvres. Day Travel is in full swing as well as extended travel choices. All of the activities listed above continue or start up again in September. If what we offer does not appeal to you, please contact us! We are always open to adding new programs. Let us hear from you! Pictured are Pablo Caraballo and Vernon Wright holding their Red Snapper catch from the Fishing Groups recent boat charter trip.

Satellite Beach Woman’s Club invites you to attend a night meeting, Monday, September 16 at 7 PM held at ZON Beachside at 1894 South Patrick Dr. The guest speaker will be discussing Opioid Abuse.
ABOUT THE LIBRARY

ADULTS

Tuesdays, 3:00pm - Chair Yoga with Pyper, bring a towel, wear comfortable clothing, $5 fee per class.
Tuesdays, 4:30pm - Gentle Yoga with Nancy, bring a mat/towel, wear comfortable clothing, $5 fee per class.

Saturday, September 7, 9:00am-3:00pm - Friends 6-Hour Book Sale. So many books for sale!
Wednesday, September 10, 6:00pm - Satellite Beach Library Board meeting.
Friday, September 13 & 27, 9:00am - Beachside Strummers Ukulele Club, drop in to listen or join in.
Saturday, September 28, 1:00pm - Space Coast Therapy Dog Talent Show. Check out the special talents of our partners from SCTD.

Monday, September 30, 1:00pm - Barbara’s Book Chat, Night of Miracles by Elizabeth Berg.

CHILDREN and TEENS

Tuesdays, 6:00pm - Teen Tuesdays, social table top gaming and tech challenges.

Wednesdays, 3:30pm - Junior Builders Club, building games featuring LEGO toys for ages 5 and up.

Wednesdays & Thursdays - Toddler Story Time with Mother Goose on the Loose for ages 15 months to 3rd birthday. Sign-up required.

Thursdays, 11:00am & 3:30pm - Story time with Alphabet Adventures for ages 3 and up.

Monday, September 9, 3:00pm - Maker Monday, Star Wars STEM for ages 8-12. Cosplay welcome. Sign-up required.

Tuesday, September 10, 6:00pm - Teen Tuesday, Anime Club: My Hero Academia. Cosplay welcome, for ages 12-17.

Saturday, September 21, 1:00pm - Read to a Dog with the Space Coast Therapy Dogs for ages 5 and up. Sign-up required.

WHEN IT RAINS, IT DRAINS! IT ALL HAS TO GO SOMEWHERE

The City of Satellite Beach is dedicated to Saving Our Indian River Lagoon via stormwater system improvements, sustainable city practices, and public education! The City is currently investing in stormwater infrastructure improvements, including the work being done along DeSoto and in the surrounding neighborhoods. We need your help to be an environmentally-conscious community, here are some tips to becoming a more sustainable household:

- Never dump anything down a stormwater drain or inlet!
- Blow yard debris/grass clippings back into your yard for compost or proper disposal.
- Use fertilizer best practices, including not using it from June 1-Sept 30 and using it sparingly the rest of the year.
- For more info, visit the City’s codes for fertilizer usage.
- Pick up pet waste every time and dispose of properly. Know your resources!

- For City codes and stormwater info: www.SatelliteBeach.org
- For environmental regulations and info: www.EPA.gov
- For IRL updates and info: www.IRLCouncil.com
The Recreation Dept Fall Activity Brochure is now available at the Recreation department or online at www.satellitebeachrecreation.org. Give us a call at (321) 773-6458 for more information. We are pleased to offer many programs for ages 18mos to Seniors! Our ongoing programs include Senior Exercise, Tennis class for ages 3yrs and up, Babysitting Boot Camp, Sign Language, Adult Painting and our award winning Rhythm In Motion Dance offers classes from 3 yrs-110 yrs!

NEW programs include - Funtastic Fitness, Pet First Aid and CPR, Chalkboard Lettering and Chair Yoga.

Satellite Beach Bike Collective - Will hold their first meeting on Sept 7th from 10am-1pm at the DRS Community Center. Learn basic bike repair, tools and volunteer advice provided. The group will continue to meet the first Saturday monthly. Contact SattyBBC@gmail.com for more info.

Adult Recreational Co-ed Kickball League
Back by popular demand! Begins on Sept 12 and runs for 10 weeks. Teams of 8-11 adults (18yrs and older) will play on Thursday evenings. Each team must have a min of 4 females/team. Cost is $250/team to cover field use, lights & referees. Don’t wait to register as this will fill up quickly! Team Captains can register their team online or stop by the SB Recreation Dept.

Upcoming Events

Sept 14 National Drive Electric Car Show
At the DRS from 10am-4pm. Have all your EV Car questions answered by people who use them every day. Static displays and test drives available.

Sept 21 Backyard Chicken Basics Workshop
From 10am-1pm at the DRS Community Center. Learn the basics of owning backyard chickens.

Oct 18 Outdoor Movie on the Green with Food Trucks
A FREE moving showing of Incredibles 2. PAL’s Friday fest food trucks will be serving 5-9 pm in the DRS parking lot. Bring your own blankets and chairs and enjoy a movie under the stars with family & friends.

Oct 20 Brevard Libraries Comic Con
From 12-4pm at the Satellite Beach Public Library, 751 Jamaica Blvd. Geek out at your library at this FREE mini comic convention.