

September 30, 2022



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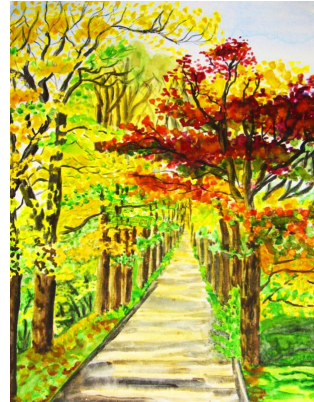
Town Hall Calendar - October

10/11 - Town Council Meeting ~ 6 pm

10/19 - Planning Board Meeting ~ 3 pm

**10/25 - Council Agenda Meeting ~ 8:30 am (Location to be determined due to early voting at Town Hall)*

10/31 - Brush/Limb Pickup



Leaf Pickup

Leaf Pickup for residents is scheduled to begin the week of October 31, and run continuously through the first part of January. There is no set pickup day, leaves are picked up weekly on an as-needed basis.

*Please do not put leaves in the street. Leaves are picked up by a different contractor than brush/limbs, so please keep separate!

**NOTE: Today's Bermuda Run Farmers Market
has been CANCELLED due to the weather.**



**Special Occasion Band
Friday, October 14 at
6:30 pm
Town Center - Kinderton
Blvd.**

FREE EVENT - Bring your lawn chairs, coolers, and picnic baskets.



THE BERMUDA RUN GARDEN CLUB

Invites you to a

Shredding Event

**BRING YOUR PERSONAL CONFIDENTIAL
PAPERS TO BE
(SHREDDED) BY OUR MOBILE TRUCK**

When: SATURDAY, October 15th - 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon
RAIN OR SHINE

Where: BERMUDA RUN TOWN HALL PARKING AREA

Address: 120 KINDERTON BLVD.
(LOCATED OFF HWY. 158, West of the Truist Soccer Park)

\$5.00 PER BROWN GROCERY BAG OR EQUIVALENT SIZE BOX
CASH ONLY

The proceeds will go to many Davie County Community programs!
For more information about this event
please contact Marie at 336-650-5518

Message from Mayor Rick Cross

It seems not too long ago that I was writing about the beginning of summer, and how great it was to see people out and around. Now, fall is officially upon us and we are moving briskly toward Halloween and into the holiday season. Summer flew by, and there was a great deal of activity around our community. With this month's newsletter, I would like to introduce a new element. Each month, Town Manager Andrew Meadwell will provide an operational update on key projects around town. You will see his updates following my message.

During the past several months, as part of my messages to you, I have shared information about potential development activity around our town. This included actual examples of interest by developers, as well as an overview of the required process around property re-zoning requests when a property owner and/or developer wants to alter the purpose of a parcel of land.

Recently, there was a conditional re-zoning request for an area of property behind Kinderton Place Shopping Center (behind Lowe's Foods). This re-zoning request was reviewed by our town's Planning Board during their August 17 meeting. During that meeting, the Planning Board voted to recommend denying the re-zoning request.

As a matter of process, the matter was then moved to the Town Council who, during their August 23 Agenda Meeting, voted to schedule a Public Hearing for this matter during the scheduled Town Council Meeting on September 13. A Public Hearing is required for any re-zoning request. Following the Public Hearing, the Town Council voted unanimously to deny the re-zoning request.

Throughout the process, there was a great deal of interest in this matter; and the Town Council, staff, and I strived to continuously engage with all interested parties as we worked on behalf of our community. I could write pages about the engagement across our community, but I will just reflect with a few words. Throughout the process, engagement by our community was deep, thorough, and constant. Our residents spoke often and with a clear voice.

As mayor for this town, I want to thank our Town Council and staff for the significant work they put forth to fully understand this matter during these past several months. I would like to acknowledge the professionalism and courtesy that the applicant and property owners demonstrated throughout this process. And I want to express gratitude to our town's residents who came out in full force with a loud and consistent voice during this process. The vast majority of interactions were clear and forceful, and were expressed with courtesy and respect. As I expressed many times during this process, especially during those times when things became a bit challenging - I have a great deal of confidence in our Town Council, and I have tremendous faith in our community.

Just a side note - Expecting a larger than usual turnout for the upcoming September 13 Town Council Meeting, we worked to find a nearby location to meet our anticipated needs. After searching in town for a location that would better accommodate a larger than normal attendance, we are appreciative that Calvary West Campus graciously offered their facility to hold our September 13 Town Council Meeting and Public Hearing. On behalf of the community, a big thank you to the Calvary West staff for their hospitality and assistance prior to and throughout the meeting.

It's been a couple of months since I provided an update on the update to our town's [Comprehensive Plan](#). As you know, earlier this year we embarked on the update to our plan, which we do approximately every five years since the original plan was written in 2012. After activity involving our Planning Board, staff, Town Council, and residents during these past several months - including a survey, an information, education, and input session, and ongoing engagement with town residents - our partner, Benchmark Solutions, is working to assemble all of the information. The Planning Board, Town Council, and staff will continue their work on the update during the next couple of months. We will keep you in the loop on information as we go along, and will provide more detailed updates in the coming weeks.

As you see in today's newsletter, early voting begins on Thursday October 20, at Town Hall. See below for more schedule information. Each year, whether for municipal, county, state, or national elections, our Davie County Elections staff and [Davie County Board of Elections](#) puts forth a tremendous effort to ensure a smooth, efficient, and secure election process throughout our county. A significant part of that effort is the recruiting, training, and scheduling of election poll workers. When we go to the polls this year, we will engage with these people as they assist us with our voting process. They are our friends and neighbors who have chosen to work as part of our election process. Each has stepped forward to help serve our community by working at the polls during the early voting period and on election day. So when you go to vote this year, consider taking an extra moment to thank these poll workers for their dedication to our election process. They truly deserve our gratitude.

Weather forced us to re-schedule our September 10 concert with Special Occasion Band. Please mark your calendar for the final concert of the season, which is now scheduled for **Friday, October 14 at 6:30 pm** in our Town Center. Come out and enjoy an evening with friends and neighbors. I'll look forward to seeing you there.

Finally, as we look ahead, please mark your calendar for December 4th as we anticipate our second annual *Christmas in the Town of Bermuda Run*! We are excited to continue this celebration, which will surely become one of our town's traditions. Stay tuned for more information during the next several weeks.

In the meantime, I will continue to reach out across our town. I want to hear from you, and appreciate those from whom I have heard. You can reach me at rcross@townofbr.com or 336-391-1992.

Rick Cross



Blue Heron Trail *Waste Water Treatment Plant - Juniper Pump Station*

The Town has several major projects that are under construction; the most significant is the Blue Heron Trail. Work steadily continues as The Blue Heron Trail is over 30% complete and considerable work has been accomplished. The trail is beginning to look like a trail as asphalt has been laid on a significant portion of the multi-use path. Stone base underlayment is being placed and final grading is occurring at other locations. The 10 ft wide, 5,400 ft long multi-use path has been a long-awaited project

since 2013. It will provide a safe and efficient pedestrian network extending from the round-a-bout at along US Hwy 158 connecting Kinderton Village Residential via the pedestrian tunnel under Interstate 40. An anticipated milestone of the project will be the delivery and installation of the Blue Heron Pedestrian Bridge. The prefabricated steel bridge is being shipped from North Dakota and should arrive to Bermuda Run soon. The project is anticipated to be completed in the *Summer of 2023*.

A less visible project is the significant overhaul and modification to the operation of the Bermuda Run Sewer Treatment Plant. Work commenced on modifying and upgrading the existing Juniper Circle pump station to allow the existing wastewater treatment facility to be decommissioned and removed from the site. This has been a multi-year process as the Town of Bermuda Run and Davie County have aligned for a regional approach to the treatment of wastewater for Bermuda Run Citizens. Much of the early work has involved location of access easement, removing of existing vegetation to regrade the site and the installation of erosion control measures. The site has changed dramatically over the past several weeks and looks like most construction sites look at the beginning. The Town wants to ensure its neighbors and citizens that the current visual condition is temporary and will improve as work proceeds. The project is anticipated to be completed in *Fall of 2023*.

~ Andrew Meadwell



One-Stop Early Voting at the Bermuda Run Town Hall

Thursday, 10/20 - Friday, 10/21 ~ 8 am - 7:30 pm

Monday, 10/24 - Friday, 10/28 ~ 8 am - 7:30 pm

Monday, 10/31 - Friday, 11/4 ~ 8 am - 7:30 pm

Saturday, 11/5 ~ 8 am - 3 pm

**Note - If you are registered to vote in Davie County, you can participate in early voting at any location (Davie County Board of Elections Office, Bermuda Run Town Hall, Jerusalem Volunteer Fire Department.)*

Click for ~ [Sample Ballot](#)
[Davie County Board of Elections](#)



NORTH CAROLINA
Department of Transportation

Please see information below from NC DOT Division 9. They will be holding weeklong drop-in sessions for the public to comment on the revised Draft 2024-2033

State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) the week of October 3rd to October 7th between the hours of 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM.

[NC DOT State Transportation Improvement Program \(STIP\)](#)



Simple Steps for an Extra Safe Halloween

Kids love the magic of Halloween, but costume and traffic safety are essential for trick-or-treaters. These tips can help make a safe and happy holiday for everyone.

Costume Safety

- All costumes, wigs and accessories should be fire-resistant
- If children are allowed out after dark, fasten reflective tape to their costumes and bags, or give them glow sticks
- Opt for nontoxic Halloween makeup over masks, which can obscure vision; always test makeup in a small area first to see if any irritation develops
- Remove all makeup before children go to bed to prevent skin and eye irritation



When They're on the Prowl

Keep these tips in mind when your children are out on Halloween night:

- A responsible adult should accompany young children on the neighborhood rounds
- If your older children are going alone, plan and review a route acceptable to you
- Agree on a specific time children should return home
- Teach your children never to enter a stranger's home or car
- Instruct children to travel only in familiar, well-lit areas and stick with their friends

- Tell your children not to eat any treats until they return home, and take care to avoid any food allergies
- Children and adults are reminded to put electronic devices down, keep heads up and walk, don't run, across the street

Safety Tips for Motorists

- Watch for children walking on roadways, medians and curbs
- Enter and exit driveways and alleys carefully
- At twilight and later in the evening, watch for children in dark clothing
- Discourage new, inexperienced drivers from driving on Halloween

[Halloween Safety- National Safety Council \(nsc.org\)](http://nsc.org)

Mayor: Rick Cross

Town Manager: Andrew Meadwell

Town Clerk: Cindy Poe

Finance Director: Dora Robertson

Town Council: Mike Brannon, Curtis Capps, Heather Coleman, Mike Ernst, and Melinda Szeliga

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