

Town Crier

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FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

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Since our December swearing in, the Town Board and I have been extremely busy. Much of our work has been procedural in making our transition a smooth one. One decision the Board of Commissioners had to make immediately was the appointment of Tara Patterson as our newest Commissioner. The appointment was the result of my vacating my Commissioner's seat in order to become Mayor. We are all pleased to have Tara on board and have enjoyed working with her.

We are pleased that the intersection of Highway 58 and Taylor Notion Road will be improved. The State Department of Transportation and the Town have reached an agreement to improve vision, lessen distractions and reduce the speed limit. We are still working on other improvements. Many thanks to

Al Fox and Dale Baquer for their hard work!

In response to citizen concerns, the Board addressed gill netting issues. The Board unanimously voted for a proclamation to restrict the activity during certain times of day in certain areas. The proclamation was sent to the Division of Marine Fisheries for consideration.

In coming weeks, the Board will formulate the 2012-2013 Budget. I encourage all citizens to get involved in this process. Our meetings should be interesting as we strive to balance the budget.

Our Town's hours of operation have recently changed in order to better accommodate our citizens. We no longer are closed during lunch! From 9:00AM to 5:00PM, Monday through

Friday, someone will be able to help you at Town Hall.

Another adjustment has been additional office hours for the Mayor. I agreed with Commissioners that extended office hours would be beneficial, especially during our transitional period. With three new Commissioners and a new Mayor, we have all been on the learning curve.

I encourage all citizens to come to Town Hall and meet with me if you have questions, concerns, or advice. No appointment is necessary. I look forward to hearing from you.

Dave Fowler

Board of Commissioners

Mayor Fowler, Administration
 Commissioner Seegers, Public Safety
 Commissioner King, Buildings & Building Inspector
 Commissioner Hunt, Finance & Budget Officer
 Commissioner Renna, Public Works
 Commissioner Patterson, Parks & Recreation

Operation Inasmuch

**Message from: Cape Carteret Baptist Church
 Anita Forte Drive**

On Saturday, April 28, 2012 members of our Church will be doing projects throughout our community, including:

- **Yard Improvements and Beautification**
- **Painting**
- **Building wheelchair ramps**
- **Minor household repairs**
- **Cleaning inside and out**

If you or someone you know needs help, please call the church office at 252-393-2417 by April 23.

A special Thank You to
 all our
 Volunteers
 for
 delivering the Town Crier

F R O M T H E C H I E F ' S D E S K

Over the past few weeks, we have taken numerous reports from residents who have discovered their vehicles broken into during the night. In most cases it was obvious that someone had rummaged through the glove compartment and center console, grabbing whatever was quickly available. Items taken have included GPS, Ipods, and loose change. In almost all cases, the vehicles were parked in the victims' driveways but were left unlocked. We have had no cases where a window was broken or any other damage done to a vehicle in order to get into it. These crimes have not all been in any one neighborhood but have occurred on both sides of the highway.

When these types of crimes are committed, the perpetrators will usually roam a neighborhood, testing car doors. If the car is unlocked, they will open it and quickly grab whatever is readily available. If they don't find something quick or if the vehicle is locked they move on to the next vehicle.

Please call the police department if you see or hear anything that arouses your suspicion in your neighborhood. This could be anything from seeing someone unfamiliar to you who is roaming the street (day or night) to being awakened at night by any strange noises or by a dog barking. One of the victims told us that he had heard a car door slam during the night but thought it was his neighbor. Another said she woke up when she heard her dog barking. Also, remember to LOCK YOUR CAR DOORS. These thieves are looking for an easy target. Don't be that target.

Chief Miller

**ALL GOLF CARTS
OPERATING ON TOWN
STREETS MUST BE
REGISTERED AT TOWN
HALL.**

**APPLICATION FEE
\$50**

2012 BOAT PASSES:

**TOWN RESIDENTS & PROPERTY OWNERS—\$50
NON-RESIDENTS—\$300
CEDAR POINT, BOGUE & PELETIER RESIDENTS—\$150**

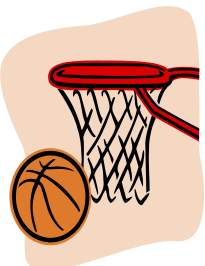
ALL FEES EXPIRE DECEMBER 31

RESIDENT FALL FISHING PASS (Oct—Dec) — \$30

**NEW BOAT RAMP FINES HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED:
\$50—\$200 PER VIOLATION PER DAY**

REMINDER:
Basketball goals cannot be placed on any town streets, rights-of-way or other public properties.

This obstruction is a danger to both the players and the drivers of vehicles passing by.





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Mary Linda Spencer, Assistant Town Clerk

*Town Hall will be closed on the following days:
Monday, May 28—Memorial Day
Wednesday, July 4—Independence Day
Monday, September 3—Labor Day*

<u>Board of Commissioners Meeting Dates</u>	
<u>Work Session</u>	<u>Regular Meeting</u>
	Meets at 7:00 PM
April 09	April 16
May 14	May 21
June 11	June 18

<u>Planning Board Meeting Dates</u>
Meets at 7:30 PM
May 1
June 5
July 3

FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

How fast time flies when you are having fun! The year just flew by and I am trying to catch up. I hope you all know that we have a new employee at town hall. Deputy Clerk and Finance Officer Mary Linda joined us last July and she is amazing! She has taken on the job like a pro and one would never know that she was new to local government.

2011 taxes became delinquent on January 6, 2012. The delinquent taxes were posted in the Tideland News on March 21st. If you have not paid your taxes, I will be enforcing all collection procedures available to me by law.

I am pleased to say that FEMA has reimbursed the town for the damages caused by last year's Hurricane Irene. A big THANK YOU to Gary Harrison, who filled in as a commissioner from August to September, right during hurricane season! He was instrumental in getting all the paperwork compiled and delivered to FEMA. Gary's quick and accurate responses resulted in receiving our funds shortly after submitting the information to FEMA.

Hurricane season will be upon us before we know it and it would be a good idea to pick up your re-entry sticker for your automobile now before the season begins. These stickers are dual-acting: they allow you to park at the street end parks, avoiding a parking ticket; and, they act as the re-entry sticker in case of a hurricane.

Karen Zornes, Town Clerk

Leaf Pick Up

MAY	<u>PUT OUT</u> May 19 & 20	<u>PICK UP by TOWN</u> May 21-25
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**FUTURE PICK-UP DATES and THE NEW FISCAL YEAR CALENDAR
WILL BE POSTED ON OUR WEBSITE**

Leaves and limbs must be in separate piles or they will not be picked up.

Limbs cannot be larger than six feet long or six inches in diameter. No trees will be picked up. PLEASE DO NOT MIX MATERIALS IN THE YARD DEBRIS. We will not pick up trash, water or soda bottles, flower pots, etc..... If these items are in the yard debris pile it will not be picked up and you may be subject to a \$50 fine.

If you lease or rent your property, it is your responsibility to notify your tenants of this schedule.

Anyone putting leaves or limbs out other than on the scheduled dates shall be charged a minimum fee of \$50.00. The property owner is responsible for this fee regardless of who occupies the premises.

Schedule: The maintenance crew will only pick up the debris on your street once. If you put it out after it has been picked up, a notice for you to remove it will be sent. PLEASE put the debris out the weekend before the pickup.

2012 Large-Scale Pick-Up

Residents on the North side of Highway 24—Pick up will be the week of April 16-20: PUT OUT the week-end of April 14 & 15

Residents on the South side of Highway 24—Pick up will be the week of April 23-27: PUT OUT the week-end of April 21 & 22

The Maintenance crew will come down your street only once.

PLEASE have your large-scale items out the week-end before your scheduled pick-up.

Place AWAY from trash cans on Right-of-Way

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS:

**LARGE APPLIANCES
FURNITURE
BICYCLES**

NO

**Yard Debris, Construction Materials,
Pallets, Batteries, Paint, Motor Oil, Pesticides, or other Hazardous Materials**

**IN THE FUTURE, WE WILL REGULARLY POST ON OUR TOWN WEBSITE
ALL ITEMS OF INTEREST AND IMPORTANCE**

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RECYCLE CALENDAR AVAILABLE ON WEBSITE

**CURBSIDE
RECYCLING EVERY
OTHER SATURDAY**

TOWN OF CAPE CARTERET

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ACCEPTED CURBSIDE RECYCLING ITEMS

All paper, cardboard, junk mail, and magazines.
 Plastic bottles and jugs, with a number 1 or 2 on the bottom of the container.
 Glass, tin, and aluminum. All beverage and food cans.
 Make sure there is no food residue on paper.

NOT ACCEPTED CURBSIDE ITEMS

NO hardback books, foil-coated paper, food-contaminated paper, or moisture-resistant boxes like milk cartons. NO paint cans, motor oil, or hazardous wastes. NO plastic bags (take them to the supermarket), styrofoam, lids or caps. NO glass cookware/dishes or light bulbs. NO large scrap metal. NO food residue on paper.