Volusia County Government Activities November 6 – 12, 2021

AVIATION & ECONOMIC RESOURCES

Daytona Beach International Airport

Airport: Aviation and Economic Resources Director Cyrus Callum was a guest on WNDB's new morning radio program on Friday, Nov. 19.

Operations: On Nov. 18, DAB will support a USAF C17 aircraft carrying the USAF basketball team by providing parking on the terminal ramp. Last week, DAB supported VSO Air One helicopter with parking on the terminal ramp. VSO assisted a Saudi Arabian agency with training.

Marketing & Customer Experience: Staff will participate in a jet engine presentation to Holly Hill School stem class on Nov. 18. The jet engines are donated by the airport; the program is spearheaded by the Lodging and Hospitality Association. For more information, contact Joanne Magley at jmagley@volusia.org.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Library: Volusia County's library branches now offer wireless printing. There is a one-time registration required on the library website. Users can then send a print job from the SmartALEC website link on the library website or from a mobile device using the SmartALEC app. Once users have uploaded their documents, they are able to pay and print their documents at any library branch. For more information, visit volusialibrary.org/mobileprint. The libraries have launched the Career Online High School program via our website. Career Online High School is a program for adults to finish high school online free through the public library. This is not a GED program, but an accredited diploma program. For more information, visit VolusiaLibrary.org/COHS.

Resource Stewardship: The Volusia Forever Land Nomination cycle closes on Nov. 15. An additional nomination cycle will open in April 2022. The ECHO Advisory Committee tour and eligibility meeting is scheduled on Nov.18. The complete agenda and timeline can be found at www.volusia.org/echo.

Veterans: Staff will be providing a benefit presentation at Lexington Place in New Smyrna Beach and at Heroes Mile in Daytona Beach on Nov. 15. For more information, contact Bob Watson, rbwatson@volusia.org.

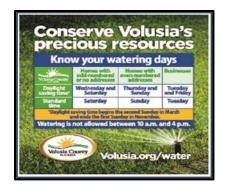
COUNTY MANAGER'S OFFICE

Community Information: Staff continues to support Corrections, EMS and Animal Services with their recruiting efforts. The update to the EMS recruiting brochure is in its final stages and a video has been produced to help Animal Services recruit intermittent vet assistants. Staff provided promotional support to Library Services for the Nov. 8, re-launch of the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten early literacy program with a news release and feature story with added details for the media and public (https://tinyurl.com/44cm4cvu). Already, new registrants have signed up for the program at several of the library branches. The #GetHealthyVolusia campaign continues with social media posts focusing on topics related to physical, emotional and dietary health. The anti-litter campaign, Every Litter Bit Counts!, will be launching on social media soon. Five staff members of the Community Information team attended the Airport tabletop training exercise conducted on Nov. 9, at the Emergency Operations Center. For more information, contact Kevin Captain at kcaptain@volusia.org.

GROWTH & RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Environmental Management: EM staff are working with Beach Safety to and the Coastal Division to respond to the damage from extreme high tides and heavy surf that impacted Volusia beaches Nov. 4-8. As conditions allow, EM will assist in resetting the Conservation Zone (CZ) posts and will assist beachfront homeowners experiencing erosion or property damage with advice on how to protect or repair their properties. Manatee Protection Program staff are working on a plan to conduct proactive manatee health monitoring surveys in conjunction with other Environmental Management boat operators such as water quality monitoring. Other counties and rescue organizations are planning to conduct similar proactive surveys to reduce the potential high death toll like was experienced in the 2020-21 winter season. Staff worked with Community Information to produce a press release advising the public that the change to Eastern Standard Time marks the return to one day per week for lawn irrigation (see image).





OCEAN CENTER

Events: On Nov. 19, the Margarita Ball marks a return to the Ocean Center after being cancelled last year due to the Pandemic. The Sunshine Slam basketball tournament makes its Ocean Center debut on Nov. 20 and 21. Eight teams will tip off with hopes of winning it all at the Ocean Center. The two-day tournament will feature eight division-one basketball teams from across the country, including Daytona Beach's own Bethune-Cookman Wildcats. Other competitors are Utah, Boston College, Rhode Island, Tulsa, Air Force, Holy Cross and Bryant. Masks will be recommended for entry for all events. For more information, contact Tim Riddle at triddle@volusia.org.

PUBLIC PROTECTION

Animal Services: Director Leath presented the countywide licensing program to the members of the Round Table of Volusia County Elected Officials meeting on Nov. 8. Community Information captured footage at the Animal Care Clinic on Nov. 8, which will be used for vet assistant recruiting. Director Leath presented the Justice Clearinghouse webinar "Critical Incident Stress Management for the ACO" on Nov. 9. Seeing people and pets in perilous situations can cause significant stress on responding officers and compassion fatigue is a real threat to their personal and professional health. This webinar will explore critical incident stress management for today's Animal Control Officer. For more information, contact Division Director Adam Leath, (386) 822-3506.

Beach Safety: Beach Safety conducted a training exercise along with the Volusia Sheriff's Office on Nov. 10, which involved a missing swimmer scenario for the International Criminal Investigative Assistance Program and UCF. Assigned staff members will soon be attending the "Crisis Intervention" class at Daytona State College. The class will provide effective response strategies and tools for positive management of a crisis event or for persons with mental illness or substance abuse issues. For more information, contact Division Director Andy Etheridge, (386) 239-6414.

Corrections: The Corrections Division assigned inmate work crews to support the annual Volusia County Fair by picking up trash each morning at the fairgrounds. For more information, contact Division Director Mark Flowers, (386) 254-1568.

Emergency Management: Emergency Management continues to support COVID 19 testing and vaccination efforts. Three mobile testing sites continue to operate. The Emergency Operations Center hosted and participated in the Daytona Beach International Airport Tabletop Exercise on Nov. 9. Director Wetherington will participate in a meet and greet with Martin County Emergency Management on Nov. 12. For more information please, contact Division Director Helene Wetherington, (386) 254-1500.

Emergency Medical Services: EMS Clinical staff continues to work on the drug library programming for the Sapphire Pumps deployment. Rapid sequence intubation scenarios continue this week for our pilot group of paramedics. EMS operations will be revising the 911 Dispatch Guide Cards to include categories for Basic Life Support ambulances to be dispatched. Our EMS recruiter is preparing for several interviews this week and will also be collaborating at Daytona State to follow up on recruits who are still undecided on their career path. For more information, contact Division Director Michael Colman, (386) 236-3511.

Fire Rescue: Members from Volusia County Fire Rescue attended the Daytona Beach International Airport Tabletop Exercise on Nov. 9. This exercise covered the following topics: a presentation from the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) on responding to a mass casualty incident, coordinating family assistance support and insight on the differences of a legislative versus non-legislative aircraft accident. For more information, contact Fire Chief Howard Bailey, (386) 736-5940 ext. 12918.

