

Volusia County Government Activities June 25 – July 1, 2022

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Resource Stewardship: The UF/IFAS Extension Services team continues to offer summer day camps for youth on a variety of topics. This week, young people in our county are learning about the art and science of photography and applying what they have learned in the field. Interested individuals may contact the Extension Office for a list of youth camps scheduled for July at 386-822-5778. In addition, the land management team improved and marked six miles of equestrian trails on the Martins Dairy area of Doris Leeper Spruce Creek Preserve. For more information, contact Brad Burbaugh at bburbaugh@volusia.org.



Votran: Votran Fixed Route and Gold Service will operate a limited holiday service schedule on July 4. Riders are encouraged to plan their trips in advance. The holiday schedule can be found online or onboard the bus. Votran riders are encouraged to visit www.votran.org and click the “Join” button at the bottom of the homepage to receive timely notices about bus service changes. The website also provides up-to-date alerts and real-time bus information. Riders can also download the MyStop Mobile app from the Apple App Store or Google Play Store. For more information, contact Kelvin Miller at kmiller@volusia.org.

COUNTY MANAGER’S OFFICE

Community Information: Staff created multiple news releases and social media posts offering advice about celebrating the holiday weekend safely. Staff coordinated with Corrections to update their web page to provide public notification, information and instructions regarding the recent transition to the new inmate commissary and banking services vendor. Staff is coordinating with Growth & Resource Management to fulfill their communications and AV needs related to the scheduling of two public impact fee workshops. Staff also is collaborating with Beach Services to provide a YouTube livestream of the Interzone Lifeguard Competition on July 13. And staff is working with Community Assistance on the formatting of the Affordable Housing Advisory’s Committee’s affordable housing plan for presentation to the County Council. For more information, contact Kevin Captain at kcaptain@volusia.org.

GROWTH & RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Planning & Development Services: The Mapping and Addressing Activity has completed work on the new Post Disaster Building Safety Inspection Application. This is an iPad application that allows for digital form and photo collection in the field and will replace the current paper forms. Staff have also created a manager dashboard that will display live data as it’s collected.

OCEAN CENTER

Events: Showbiz Daytona Beach Nationals 2022 takes place through July 4 and is using the ballroom, arena and meeting rooms. It is expected to generate 2,000 attendee days and 1,200 room nights. Showbiz Daytona Beach Nationals is free and open to the public. Staff will use the week to prepare the building for Passion Camp, which moves in July 2. The event is the first of two weeklong, religious youth retreats in July and anticipates 6,000 attendees and 4,500 room nights. The Ocean Center box office will be open from 1- 6 p.m. July 6 and from 8 a.m. to noon July 7 to accommodate individuals who wish to purchase tickets to the July 17 WWE event in person rather than online. For more information, contact Tim Riddle at triddle@volusia.org.

PUBLIC PROTECTION

Animal Services: On June 28, Director Leath attended the virtual ESF 17 meeting with the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (FDACS), which is the lead agency for ESF 17 at the State Emergency Operations Center. The topics of discussion were: Florida State Agricultural Response Team (SART) resources and website, The new Pet-Friendly Sheltering Online Training, Animal disease updates, ESF 17 equipment resources and request process, Emergency mosquito control, and Food safety. For more information, contact Division Director Adam Leath, (386) 822-3506.

Beach Safety: Beach Safety held their third week of junior lifeguard camp in Daytona Beach Shores on June 25 – July 1. Beach Safety spent the week gearing up for the 4th of July weekend, scheduling personnel and preparing equipment. For more information, contact Division Director Andy Ethridge, (386) 239-6414.

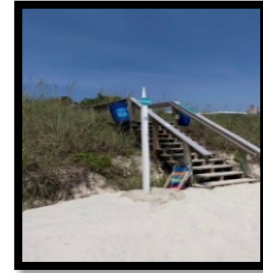
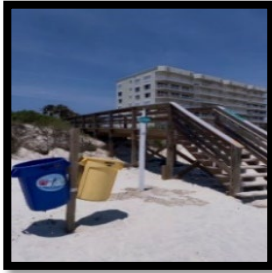
Emergency Management: On June 29, the EOC hosted WebEOC training, a Citizen’s Information Center Make-Up training session and an ESF 11 training session. For more information, contact Interim Division Director James Judge, (386) 254-1500.

Emergency Medical Services: On June 29, EMS conducted Automated External Defibrillator (AED) training for the community at the Orange City Moose Lodge. For more information, contact Division Director Michael Colman, (386) 236-3511.

Fire Rescue: Chief Howard Bailey celebrated 30 years of service on June 27. Fire Rescue's new Engines 12 and 34 were on the bricks in front of the Historic Courthouse on June 28 at 14:45 hours. For more information, contact Fire Chief Howard Bailey, (386) 736-5940 ext. 12918.

PUBLIC WORKS

Coastal: The Coastal Division coordinated installation of the last six available Fill-a-Bag beach cleanup station locations in Ponce Inlet. These six stations, which are sponsored and maintained by the Carr Family in honor of DeeDee Bunnell, are located directly on the beach at the Old Carriage Road walkover, Winterhaven Park, Oceanview Avenue access, Calumet Avenue walkover, Inlet Harbor Road walkover, and on the Glenview Avenue walkover. For more information, contact Jessica Fentress at (386) 248-8072, ext. 20356.



Engineering & Construction: Clearing and grubbing of the Marine Discovery Center Trail and Restroom project site is expected to continue through July. The restroom has a tentative start date of July 5, and pond construction is expected to start at the beginning of August. For more information, contact Tadd Kasbeer at (386) 736-5967, ext. 15846.

Mosquito Control: Mosquito Control is reminding residents that recent rainfall can create prime habitats for pesky mosquitoes in various containers around your home, such as potted plants, clogged gutters, yard ornaments, and kids' toys. We recommend residents "tip 'n toss" any items holding water around your home to reduce future mosquito populations. Items as small as a bottle cap of water can produce biting mosquitoes. For more information, contact Marcus McDonough at (386) 424-2920, ext. 20272.

Road & Bridge: Construction is underway for the West Beresford Avenue sidewalk project. Through Community Block Grant funding, the sidewalk will be improved along West Beresford Avenue beginning at the Edith I. Starke Elementary School, continuing West to South Adelle Avenue, and ending on Green Street at the Boys & Girls Club. For more information, contact Lori Koontz at (386) 822-6422, ext. 20455.

Solid Waste: Two Solid Waste Division staff members, representing Keep Volusia County Beautiful, will be serving as site captains at the July 5 beach cleanup at Sun Splash Park. For more information, contact Regina Montgomery at (386) 947-2952, ext. 21347.

Traffic Engineering: Volusia County Traffic Engineering staff is working with the Florida Department of Transportation to reconnect fiber damaged by construction near the intersection of Nova Road and Flomich Street in the Holly Hill area. The fiber cut has caused communications with traffic devices to be halted throughout the entire eastside of the county. Staff is coordinating with FDOT and the communications contractor to restore communication as quickly as possible. For more information, contact Jon Cheney at (386) 736-5968, ext. 12709.

Water Resources and Utilities: The Water Resources and Utilities division routinely monitors 10 community water systems for more than 80 regulated contaminants in drinking water according to federal and state laws, rules, and regulations. Annual water quality reports for the 2021 calendar year for Volusia County customers are available online by going to the Water Resources & Utilities homepage and clicking on the "Drinking Water Quality Reports" section. For more information, contact Mike Ulrich at (386) 943-7027, ext. 12724.