

Volusia County Government Activities
October 17 – 23, 2020

COUNTY MANAGER'S OFFICE

Community Information: Marketing specialists are developing a new issue (with a new look!) of the *County Line* employee newsletter. Staff are continuing efforts with DeLeon Springs company, Sperton, with filming a short video with the efforts to showcase the company's upgrade of its wastewater treatment facility given the assistance of the County's water quality infrastructure grant program. Community Information's Production coordinators, in tandem with county manager staffers, are working with the City of DeLand's Sanborn Center staff with the audio needs for the upcoming Roundtable of Elected Officials meeting on Nov. 9. Production coordinators are also beginning the editing phases of a video that will review the county's response to the coronavirus pandemic.

GROWTH & RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Environmental Management: Environmental Management and Water Resources and Utilities worked with Community Information on a public information campaign to "Imagine a day without water," to engage citizens in the importance of water in our lives.

PUBLIC PROTECTION

Animal Services: Director Adam Leath will be teaching a 16-hour "Chemical Immobilization Certification" course on Oct 20 and Oct 21. The students include officers from Volusia County Animal Services as well as officers throughout Florida. Director Leath is one of seven Florida Animal Control Association's approved instructors to teach this course. Upon successful completion and testing, the students will receive their chemical capture certification for the State of Florida. For more information, contact Mark Swanson at 386-740-5120.

Beach Safety: Beach Safety will be participating with the City of Ormond Beach who is hosting their Halloween Highway – Family Friendly Drive-Thru Trunk or Treat on Saturday, Oct 24, at the Ormond Beach Sports Complex. On Oct 21, Beach Safety will be participating in a public relations event at *Temple Beth El-Community Helper Day*. For more information, contact Mark Swanson at 386-740-5120.

Corrections: Inmate work crews filled approximately 3,000 sandbags and placed them along the Ponce Inlet Jetty in order to support the Coastal Division in providing temporary Jetty access to the citizens and visitors of Volusia County. For more information, contact Mark Swanson at 386-740-5120.

Emergency Medical Services: The Volusia County Ambulance Association, in collaboration with OneBlood, is sponsoring an upcoming blood drive in honor of Paramedic Gerald Jones, dubbing the event "Drops for Jerry." This will be held in the parking lot of the Port Orange VFW 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Oct. 20 – 21. In support of the event, OneBlood is also providing COVID-19 antibody testing, wellness checks, blood pressure checks, iron county testing and cholesterol screening. For more information, contact Patricia Bythwood at 386-740-5120.

PUBLIC WORKS

Coastal: The Coastal Division is working closely with Beach Safety preparing for the social media event, "Trucktoberfest" in Daytona Beach. Preparations include coordinating an additional 200 barricades from Road & Bridge, pre-staging a beach ramp grader at Beach Safety, modifying beach toll collection schedules, modifying beach trash collection routes, and coordinating with the VCSO to station outside detail officers at Sun Splash Park, University Blvd Beach Park and Frank Rendon Park for Oct. 23, 24, & 25. Coastal will also



coordinate installation of a new beach ramp gate at the Hartford Ave. beach ramp located in Daytona Beach. For more information, contact Jessica Winterwerp at (386) 248-8072, ext. 20356.

Engineering & Construction: ADA upgrades are currently underway at the Marine Science Center. The timber structure is 80% complete and the electrical work for the ADA door apparatus is nearing completion. Construction of the new switch back for ADA access is scheduled to be completed by Nov. 6. For more information, contact Tadd Kasbeer at (386) 736-5967, ext. 15846.

Mosquito Control: Mosquito Control Inspectors routinely inspect for mosquito habitats and conduct proactive larviciding treatments to prevent mosquito larvae from emerging as pesky biting mosquitoes. Recently, an Inspector discovered a broken sewer line in the Ormond Beach area producing mosquitoes and causing an unsanitary situation for residents. The inspector promptly larvicided the area and reported the issue to the appropriate city contacts for immediate repair. For more information, contact Suzanne Bartlett, (386) 424-2920, ext. 20272.

Road & Bridge: The emergency power generator for the Public Works Northeast Services Facility was delivered and installed ahead of schedule. The generator purchase was approved by council on April 21, 2020, and its installation marks a significant milestone towards permanent power and completion of the facility. For more information, contact Benjamin Bartlett at (386) 822-6422, ext. 20470.



Solid Waste: On Oct. 18, in support of community Biketoberfest events, the Tomoka Farms Road Landfill had operating hours from 7 – 10 a.m., receiving and processing over 28 tons of garbage. For more information, contact Regina Montgomery at (386) 947-2952, ext. 21347.

Traffic Engineering: Signal modification studies are scheduled to begin for Saxon Blvd at Tivoli Dr. and Providence Blvd. at Tivoli Dr. in Deltona. For more information, contact Jon Cheney at (386) 736-5968, ext. 12709.

Water Resources and Utilities: Staff participated in an Oct. 20, Volusia Today radio broadcast to promote the national campaign “Imagine a day without water,” and discussed the value of our local water supply in terms of health, safety, quality of life and our local economy. For more information, contact Mike Ulrich at (386) 943-7027, ext. 12724.