

Weekly Department Updates

November 17, 2023



Beach, Parks and Recreation

Flagler Beach Fire Department will respond to all beach emergencies during the weekdays and on weekends.

The next First Friday will be December 1. Entertainment will be provided by the local school groups. We received final commitments from Wadsworth Elementary 1st Grade students, Indian Trails Middle School Band, Matanzas High School "Blue Steel" steel drum band, and Flagler Palm Coast High School will bring two jazz bands. "Pictures with Santa" will be done in Veterans Park.

The Rotary Club of Flagler Beach will be coordinating the parade on December 2. The parade will begin at 1:00. Entries will be limited to 50 groups. Parade entry information has been posted online and we now have 35 confirmed entries.

Building Department

Preserve at Flagler Beach

Received final payment for Building 500 and Garage #2

Several citizens verbal complaints regarding the placement of construction fencing and closure of sidewalks along Moody Blvd.

Code Enforcement

Magistrate hearing held on Wednesday October 25th. Compliance met with one case, one continuance, three rescheduled for status hearing.

Community Redevelopment Agency

The work being done to redo the electrical panels at Veterans Park will be finished this week.



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Finance Department

All FEMA projects for Hurricanes Ian and Nicole have submitted for reimbursement except for the dune walkovers.

The audit for fiscal year 22/23 has begun and preliminary testing requests are being completed by the Finance Department.

Fire Department

	11/2/23	11/3/23	11/4/23	11/5/23	11/6/23	11/7/23	11/8/23	11/9/23	11/10/23	11/11/23	11/12/23	11/13/23	11/14/23	Total
(32) Emergency medical service (EMS) incident	3	3	2	2	2									12
(44) Electrical wiring/equipm. problem	1													1
(55) Public service assistance	1	1	1											3
(61) Dispatched and canceled en route	3				1									4
(70) False alarm and false call, other		1												1
Total	8	5	3	2	3									21

Dependent on the weather, Director Gillin and the Fire Department are expecting many visitors to the City's beach. All Things Christmas Event is taking place at Santa Maria Del Mar catholic Church November 16th – 18th. Hours of operation are 10:00 – 3:00 each day.



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Human Resources

Welcome Aboard!

We would like to welcome Mark Stephany to the Sanitation Department as our new Recycling Operator.

Open Positions:

Public Works Utilities Mechanic

Firefighter

Maintenance/Groundskeeper

Police Officer

IT Supervisor

Finance Director

Happy Anniversary!

October Anniversaries

We would like to acknowledge and celebrate the following employees for their continued commitment to the City and its residents:

Dennis Walker	Water Plant Operator	18 years
Robert Pace	Fire Chief	17 years
Brenda Ludecker	Payroll Specialist	13 years
Michele Ficocello	Customer Service Rep.	9 years
Gonzalo Dominguez	Building Maintenance Worker	1 year
Stanley Jones	Waste Water Operator	1 year

Library

The Library recently received more brochures from Florida State Parks. The full-sized descriptive brochures and companion maps are available at no cost to anyone who'd like them. The Library also received updated brochures from Visit Flagler including the Palm Coast & the Flagler Beaches Visitor Guide, a local map, a Trails & Parks Guide, the Palm Coast Blueways Paddling Guide and the Palm Coast & the Flagler Beaches Foodie Guide. Destination Flagler Beach is available as well.

Another addition to our information resources is a City of Flagler Beach Project Information Binder which includes recent information on the Hotel, the Pier and the Beach Renourishment projects. It will be kept at the front desk for those who'd like to read more about them.



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Maintenance

This week we have been installing Christmas lights on the palm trees in Veterans Park.

Police

Under a mutual aid request from the Bunnell Police Department, Chief Doughney worked the Flagler Veterans Parade on a Police bicycle from 7:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. This year's parade in Bunnell was the first parade in that City in over sixty (60) years, and Congressman Michael Waltz was the Grand Marshall. Briefing for the parade was at 7:00 a.m. and the parade started at 10:00 a.m. Once the parade concluded at the Flagler County Courthouse, there was a ceremony to honor our Country's Veterans at the Government Services Building. The parade and the ceremony were very well attended.

11/13/23 @ 6:16 p.m. / Reckless Driver / 2700 Block of South-Central Avenue: Officers responded to the south end of the City on SRA1A, in reference to a "Be On the Look Out" (BOLO) from Volusia County in reference to a motorcycle coming into the City with no lights, no tag, and speeding. Officers observed a black motorcycle enter the City, but it was not being operated recklessly. The motorcycle was stopped due to not being able to see the tag, and the Driver advised that the motorcycle was not his; owned by a friend. The Driver had a Suspended Driver's License and the tag was not assigned to the motorcycle, and it was also expired. Officers could not locate any vehicle identification number (VIN) on the motorcycle, and the Driver advised that it was purchased through Alibaba from China. The Driver was issued two (2) State Traffic citations and the motorcycle was towed from the scene. A Police report was completed.

11/14/23 @ 7:30 a.m. / Follow Up - Larceny Shoplifter / 416 Beach Village Drive (Publix Liquor): The offense occurred on October 7, 2023, and the investigating Officer received surveillance video from Truist Bank that was obtained via a warrant. The video footage allowed the Officers the opportunity to observe the license plate on the vehicle operated by the suspect. The license plate was linked to three (3) other cases involving stolen liquor from Publix Liquor stores, in two (2) other Counties. The male suspect has been positively identified and charges are pending. Fantastic follow up!

Public Works

Public Works did locates for Sunshine 811 every morning. We did locates all day from the Water Plant to Old Kings Road for a boring company for Metro Net; Repaired Beach Ramp; repaired a leak on city side water lateral on Oak Lane by our lift station; repaired the PVC drainage pipe under the bridge on Moody Lane. We also trimmed on South Flagler Avenue and South Daytona Avenue; South 25th and 26th between A1A and Central removed dirt off the road. On North 12th Street, we repaired the street with E Z Street from a water leak on a water service line on city side from last week. Graded the parking lot at the maintenance building.

Palm Drive patch work was completed by Cline Construction but the driveway still needs sand added.



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Sanitation

Trash service will be suspended on Thursday November 23rd in observance of Thanksgiving. There will be city wide trash pickup for the North, West and Southside on Friday, November 24th.

Just a reminder coming into the holiday season, we ask that you please put all of your cardboard out on Wednesdays for recycling. Your City's Sanitation Department takes recycling very seriously and handles all of it in house.

Below is a list of all material to be put to the curb by 7 a.m. on Wednesday morning for the trucks to pick up.

1st bin- Glass, Aluminum and Tin. (no pet food cans please)

2nd bin- cardboard, soda boxes, and food boxes as long as there has been no food or oil on the boxes. (no pizza boxes)

Wastewater

From Tuesday Nov. 7th through Wednesday Nov. 15th, 2023 we treated 7,438,000 gallons of wastewater for a daily average of 826,000 gallons with 1.2" of rain.

Water

During the week of November 5th through November 11th, we pumped 4,031,000 gallons of finished water for the week. The average for the week was 576,000 gallons per Day. Last year at this time, we pumped 4,225,000 gallons and averaged 603,000 gallons per day. We flushed the North End of Town due to low chlorine residual. We used 168,200 gallons. We collected our monthly Well samples, drawdowns and statics and collected our quarterly Well samples for St Johns River Water Management District. Ehab is giving our trainees practice test to preparing them for the state exam. Ehab and I are working with the contractors and our engineers on the raw water line relocation project Grand Landings Phase 5. We collected our Well 16 samples VOC, SOC, Secondary and Primary for DEP and St Johns River Water Management District.