

Entrepreneurial Seminars

The Town is providing Entrepreneurial and Business seminars from the collaboration with the Small Business Center of Sandhills Community College. This opportunity is made possible with the funding of a grant the Town was awarded in 2011 as a way of nurturing an entrepreneurial environment. The seminars are open to the public and will be held in the Aberdeen Fire Department located at 800 Holly Street, Aberdeen, NC. If you have additional questions, please contact the Community/Downtown Development Planner, Daniel Martin, at (910) 944-4506.

- September 4, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. "Google Analytics - What Should Young Entrepreneurs and Small Business Owners Know?" by Sven Schaefer
- September 8, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. "Powerful Communication Series: From Conformity to Camaraderie" by Jan Mullis
- September 17, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. "LinkedIn for Small Business Owners" by Sven Schaefer
- September 24, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. "Powerful Communication Series: From Conceit to Confidence" by Jan Mullis
- September 29, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. "Twitter for Small Businesses" by Sven Schaefer
- October 2, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. "Powerful Communication Series: From Concern to Connection" by Jan Mullis
- October 9, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. "The Importance of Blogging for Entrepreneurs and Small Business Owners" by Kerrie Hora
- October 13, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. "Campaigns That Drive Action" by Tom Zaleski
- October 23, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. "Powerful Communication Series: From Confusion to Contribution" by Jan Mullis
- October 27, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. "How to Raise Your Credit Score to Over 740 Points & Get that Loan" by Bob Moore
- October 29, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. "Powerful Communication Series: From Conflict to Commitment" by Jan Mullis
- November 24, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. "Why Successful Businesses and Entrepreneurs ARE Successful" by Bob Moore

On the Calendar

September & October

• Bingo

Thursday, September 11 at 1:30 p.m. at Aberdeen Recreation Station. The cost is \$1 for residents and \$2 for non-residents. (910) 944-7275.

• NFL Punt, Pass, and Kick

Thursday, September 11th at 6:00 p.m. at Hillcrest Park in Carthage. This contest is for boys and girls ages 6 – 15 as of December 31, 2014. This event is free but registration is required. No cleats allowed. (910) 944-4572.

• Bingo

Thursday, October 9 at 1:30 p.m. at Aberdeen Recreation Station. The cost is \$1 for residents and \$2 for non-residents. (910) 944-7275.

• Youth Basketball League

Registration is October 6 through November 7. The league is for boys and girls ages 4 -12. Cost is \$12 for residents and \$25 for non-residents. Practices will begin in December. (910) 944-4572.

• Sardine Festival

Friday, October 10 at 11:00 a.m. at Aberdeen Lake Park. This event is free but donations are encouraged. For more information contact, Jamie Boles (910) 692-6262 or Parks & Recreation Department. (910) 944-7275.

• Fall-O-Ween Carnival

Saturday, October 25 at Aberdeen Lake Park. Join the Aberdeen Parks and Recreation Department for the annual Fall-O-Ween Carnival featuring assorted children's games and activities. (910) 944-7275.

• Senior Chair Exercises

Every Tuesday and Thursday at 10:30 a.m. at Aberdeen Recreation Station. Cost is \$2 per month for residents and \$5 per month for non-residents. Classes are on-going. (910) 944-7275.

• Water Bills

\$5 or 5% late fee added for those bills not paid by 5:00 p.m. on September 20. \$25 penalty added for those bills not paid by 5:00 p.m. on October 5 and disconnected October 6.

For a full listing of community events, visit www.townofaberdeen.net/calendar.aspx.

Recycle Dates

Monday Dates:

- September 3 (Wednesday)
- September 15
- September 29
- October 13
- October 27

Friday Dates:

- September 12
- September 26
- October 10
- October 24



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What can go in the Recyclable Pick-up?

*Plastics numbered 1 through 7 including black plastic, soft drink bottles, water bottles, and plastic milk jugs

*Glass of any color: brown, green, clear, blue etc., whole or broken

*Aluminum cans (drink cans)

*Tin or metal cans (food cans rinsed out)

*Un-waxed chipboard cardboard like cereal or cracker boxes, whole or flattened, pizza boxes

*Newspaper including advertising inserts

*Magazines, catalogues, pamphlets, brochures, annual reports etc., whether shiny or not

*Telephone books

*Office paper, stationary, post-it notes, of any color

*Shredded paper (only item that is accepted in bags)

*Junk mail and advertisements

*Envelopes

*Posters, greeting cards, art paper

*Cash register, adding machine, fax, and computer paper

*Aluminum foil

If you have electronics that you would like to recycle, contact Public Works at (910) 944-7012.



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Message from Town Manager, Bill Zell

Beginning on September 30th the Town of Aberdeen will host its ninth annual Citizens Academy Program (CAP). The purpose of the program is to improve understanding, communication, and cooperation between local government and the citizens it serves. The sessions will provide a "toolbox" of information to help citizens navigate the complex system of government operations and services. The program is designed to provide an overview of town government, keeping in mind that providing minute detail is impossible within the established two-hour time constraints. Citizens will be interested in attending for many reasons including an expectation to become better acquainted with the town and its programs and services, learning about the policies and procedures of town government, meeting new people, or finding ways to volunteer in your community. Participants may be representatives from a cross-section of citizens - new and life-long residents, professionals, homemakers, business owners, retirees, civic group leaders, and high school students - all of whom share an interest in becoming better informed about how their town operates.

Specifically, the goals of the Academy are to provide individuals with a better understanding of the town's municipal services, the council-manager form of government, and the challenges local governments face. The program will help teach and cultivate new community leaders and

to help move those new leaders into important positions within the community. The curriculum enables participants to develop leadership capabilities and build strong relationships, and encourage citizen involvement to effect positive change in the community.

Interested participants will submit an application and be selected on a first-come, first-serve basis. Class size will be limited to 15 participants. When class capacity has been met, the excess applications are carried over to the next academy. Applications request the standard information, such as name, address, phone number, e-mail address, and employer name and address if applicable, but they also ask for the applicant's birthplace, length of time living in Aberdeen and Moore County, interests and accomplishments, and expectations from the program. You can find the application on the Town's website at www.townofaberdeen.net.

There is no cost to individuals who attend the Academy, but the Town strongly encourages participants to commit the time to attend each session. This year's Academy begins on Tuesday, September 30th and will be held each Tuesday evening through November 4th from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at various town locations. Site visits will include meeting at the public works facilities, police station, fire department, and the parks and recreation building. Since many participants will arrive directly from work without eating, a light dinner will also be provided each week. Contact Regina Rosy at 944-4515 for more information.

Instructors/Teachers Needed to Teach Recreational Programs

The Aberdeen Parks and Recreation Department is looking for individuals interested in teaching programs. If you have a passion for crafts, fitness, or any other hobby and want to share your passion with the community, contact Jack Clelland, Program Coordinator at (910) 944-4574 or jclelland@townofaberdeen.net.

Updates on Parks & Recreation

The Public Works Department is assisting the Parks and Recreation Department on several projects at Aberdeen Lake Park. These include working on drainage issues between the Recreation Station and shelter, another drainage issue next to and in the playground, maintenance to the large wooden bridge, trimming back limbs and brush on the Lake trail, and other general trail and grounds maintenance projects.

Aberdeen Lake Park consists of the Recreation Station, with several multipurpose rooms available for rent, a large gazebo, picnic shelter, walking trail, playground, and of course, Aberdeen Lake. All outdoor facilities are open to the public during park hours, which are sunrise to sunset. Both the shelter and gazebo are available for rental. Fishing is allowed in the Lake, all people over the age of 16 are required to have a valid fishing license. Boats are allowed on the Lake; however, no gas powered engines please.

For further information, or if you are interested in renting a facility, please contact the Aberdeen Parks and Recreation Department at (910) 944-PARK (7275).



Fence Permit

If you plan to build a fence in your yard, or have already done so, please be aware that a Zoning Compliance Permit is required. Please stop by the Planning Department located at 115 N. Poplar Street to pick up an application. The permitting process will ensure that the installation is compliant with the Town's requirements and will prevent complications that may result from unpermitted work. Applications and information are also available on the Town website at www.townofaberdeen.net. Please contact the Planning Department at (910) 944-7024 if you have questions or need more information. The fee for a fence permit is \$50. Please be prepared to provide the address of the proposed fence location, the type/style of fence you plan to install, a sketch of the property showing the location of the proposed fence, and the fence height.

Planning staff will be following up on unpermitted installations in the coming weeks. If you have failed to have your fence properly permitted, please contact us to complete the required paperwork no later than September 15, 2014.

Aberdeen's Historic District and Preservation Commission

Aberdeen's Historic Preservation Commission is in the final stages of completing an update to the Historic District Design Guidelines. For more information please

contact the Planning Department at (910) 944-7024. A draft of the updated guidelines, as well as a map of the Historic District is available on the Town's website at www.townofaberdeen.net.

The Historic District helps to keep our local economy healthy. Studies have demonstrated that property values are increased with historic designation, and work done to maintain and repair our historic structures is more likely to employ local tradespeople. If you own or lease property in the District you should be aware that a Certificate of Appropriateness is required for most exterior changes to the property. For some minor items a certificate may be issued by staff, for other projects the Commission will review the application. This process helps to protect our historic properties and provides you with access to resources that can help guide your project. In some cases federal and/or state tax credits are available to offset the cost of your project. Aberdeen is proud of its history and wishes to work with property owners to make sure that future generations can also enjoy the historic resources that help to define our community.

The Historic Commission currently has a vacancy and is seeking someone who has special interest, experience or education in history, architecture, archaeology or related fields. The commission meets on the 4th Monday of each



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month at 5:00 pm to review applications and discuss relevant issues. If you have an interest in serving in this role please contact Jae Kim or Pamela Graham at (910) 944-7024 or by visiting Town Hall at 115 N. Poplar Street.

Aberdeen Business Guild

The Aberdeen Business Guild and the Town of Aberdeen successfully completed the 2014 Spring Spree Festival back in May. We are now looking forward to planning the 5th Annual Holiday Open House including the 3rd Annual Bread Bowl Walking Tour. Participating businesses in historic downtown Aberdeen will open with sales and specials to kick-off the holiday season. Last year's winners for the Bread Bowl Walking Tour were La Poblanita Mexican Café and

Brooke Storz. Again, we will be welcoming more entrants to participate in this great local event. The Holiday Open House is one of the activities marketed and promoted by our downtown merchants to draw customers into Aberdeen.

During the fall season, we will be scheduling some networking and professional building events for current and new businesses to have the opportunity to learn about each other's businesses. Owners and operators of local businesses can exchange ideas and share tips, which can include shared advertising costs.



Sardine Festival

The 22nd Annual Sardine Festival will be on Friday, October 10, 2014 at Aberdeen Lake Park. The activities will begin at 11:00 a.m. and conclude around 2:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to join their family, friends, neighbors, Town officials and staff at Aberdeen Lake Park for a lunch of sardines, crackers, Moon Pies, RC Colas, and Cokes.

The sardines and other delicacies are free, but people are encouraged to make a small donation. The donations support youth athletic programs in Aberdeen and across

Moore County.

The Sardine Festival started many years ago when the late Mr. Randall Moss wanted to eat his lunch of sardines and crackers in his office. His daughter Kay promptly told him to take that smelly lunch somewhere else...like eat it at the park. Randall did just that and invited all his friends to join him! Thus the unique Sardine Festival was created at Aberdeen Lake Park!

Through the years many Sardine Queens have been crowned. All have been proud title holders and represented the Festival extremely

well in the community. The tradition continues this year, with the 2014 Queen arriving on a fire truck around 12:00 noon.

Tee shirts will be on sale, so plan to purchase your commemorative shirt of this fun day!

The Sardine Festival is sponsored by Mr. Jamie Boles, his friends, and the Town of Aberdeen Parks and Recreation Department.

For more information about the Sardine Festival, call the Aberdeen Parks and Recreation Department at (910) 944-PARK or Jamie Boles at (910) 692-6262.

Water & Sewer Rates Increase 5%

Below are the new rates effective this bill.

In-Town Water Rates (per billing cycle)

Base Charge (includes no usage)	\$10.00
1,000 – 5,000 gal.	\$2.87 per thousand
5,001 – 10,000 gal.	\$3.07 per thousand
10,001 – 15,000 gal.	\$3.26 per thousand
15,001 – 20,000 gal.	\$3.46 per thousand
20,001 – 25,000 gal.	\$3.85 per thousand
Over 25,000 gal.	\$4.42 per thousand

In-Town Sewer Rates (per billing cycle)

Base Charge (includes no usage)	\$10.00
1,000 – 5,000 gal.	\$3.21 per thousand
5,001 – 10,000 gal.	\$3.85 per thousand
10,001 – 15,000 gal.	\$4.47 per thousand
15,001 – 20,000 gal.	\$5.11 per thousand
20,001 – 25,000 gal.	\$5.76 per thousand
Over 25,000 gal.	\$6.39 per thousand

Out of Town Water Rates (per billing cycle)

Base Charge (includes no usage)	\$16.00
1,000 – 5,000 gal.	\$5.75 per thousand
5,001 – 10,000 gal.	\$6.30 per thousand
10,001 – 15,000 gal.	\$6.85 per thousand
15,001 – 20,000 gal.	\$7.41 per thousand
20,001 – 25,000 gal.	\$7.95 per thousand
Over 25,000 gal.	\$8.51 per thousand

Out of Town Sewer Rates (per billing cycle)

Base Charge (includes no usage)	\$16.00
1,000 – 5,000 gal.	\$6.41 per thousand
5,001 – 10,000 gal.	\$6.97 per thousand
10,001 – 15,000 gal.	\$7.51 per thousand
15,001 – 20,000 gal.	\$8.07 per thousand
20,001 – 25,000 gal.	\$8.61 per thousand
Over 25,000 gal.	\$9.17 per thousand

Your Government

Board of Commissioners
Work Session

1st Monday | 6:00 p.m.

Town Hall Conference Room

September 2nd (Tuesday) &

October 6th

Board of Commissioners
Meeting

3rd Monday | 6:00 p.m.

J. Curtis McInnis Board Room

September 15th & October 20th

Planning Board Meeting

3rd Thursday | 6:00 p.m.

J. Curtis McInnis Board Room

September 18th & October 16th

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Town Hall Closing

In observation of Labor Day, Town Hall and other administrative offices will be closed September 1, 2014.

There will be no recycle pick up on September 1st, the make-up day will be Wednesday, September 3, 2014.