



# Bon Accord

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## Your Government

### Board of Commissioners Work Session

2<sup>nd</sup> Monday | 6:00 p.m.  
Town Hall Conference Room  
May 13<sup>th</sup> & June 10<sup>th</sup>

### Board of Commissioners Meeting

4<sup>th</sup> Monday | 6:00 p.m.  
J. Curtis McInnis Board Room  
May 28<sup>th</sup> (Tuesday) &  
June 24<sup>th</sup>

### Planning Board Meeting

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday | 6:00 p.m.  
J. Curtis McInnis Board Room  
May 16<sup>th</sup> & June 20<sup>th</sup>

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## Town Holiday Closing

In observation of Memorial Day, Town administrative offices will be closed Monday, May 27, 2019.

There will be no garbage/recycle pick up on Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup>. The make-up day will be Wednesday, May 29<sup>th</sup>.



## Message from the Manager

The Town is working on its fiscal budget for the next fiscal year – 2019-2020. The Town's budget year begins on July 1<sup>st</sup> and ends on June 30<sup>th</sup> of each year. The Town's budget operates as its spending plan for the year and is easily the most important document that the Board of Commissioners considers each year. This year's budget is somewhat unique in that all real properties have been revalued by Moore County for tax purposes. The revaluation effort occurs approximately once every four years and is intended to keep property values at an amount that is equal to their fair market values. This year's budget will use this new valuation amount to set its tax rate starting in FY 19/20.

Several important items are being considered in the upcoming budget. These items include continuing to design and fund a new police facility that is expected to cost approximately \$4.2 million once completed. Other items under consideration for this budget are: replacement of police vehicles (4), design for a new fire

engine to be purchased in the next FY, multiple sidewalk and storm water projects in the downtown area, park land purchase or improvements, completion of the Lake Dam restoration project (FEMA), annual street resurfacing program, purchase of a new sanitation truck, and funding for other larger equipment items for various departments. In the Water/Sewer Fund, under consideration are: a generator for backup power to water system wells and sewer lift stations, purchase of a compact excavator, completion of phase 2 of installation of our AMR system (automated water meters), and general water/sewer line replacements and improvements.

The Town's budget schedule calls for a preliminary review of the proposed budget at the **May 13<sup>th</sup>** Work Session and consideration for adoption of the budget at the **May 28<sup>th</sup>** Board Meeting at Town Hall. These dates are subject to change so please check our website [www.townofaberdeen.net](http://www.townofaberdeen.net) for the most current budget and meeting information.

## Kid-Pitch Baseball

Kid-Pitch Baseball is for kids aging out of Coach-Pitch, ages 9-12. Skill level ranges from beginner to experienced. No matter the level, baseball fundamentals will be a primary focus. Practices and games will be held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at Colonial Heights Park.

Registration Deadline: May 4<sup>th</sup> (or until full)  
Evaluations: May 9<sup>th</sup>  
First Practice: May 14<sup>th</sup>  
Cost: \$12 for residents and \$25 for non-residents

## All-Star Camp

Kids, ages 5-12, will learn the basics of different sports. Each day a specific sport will be taught. The camp will be held at Colonial Heights Park and one session will be held at Aberdeen Elementary School. Campers will receive a snack and drink after every session and receive a 2019 All-Star Sports Camp T-Shirt at the end of camp.

Registration Deadline: June 6<sup>th</sup> (or until full)  
Dates: June 10<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>  
Hours: 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.  
Cost: \$30 for residents and \$40 for non-residents

## One-Day Cornhole Tournament

Date: Saturday, July 13<sup>th</sup>  
Hours: 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
Cost: \$20 per team (min. of 30 teams)

Come out for an afternoon of cornhole by the lake! Railhouse Brewery and food trucks will be on site.

## Summer Camp

Campers, ages 5 – 12, will play group games, participate in arts and crafts, listen to educational guest speakers, go swimming, bowling and visit Sandhill's Gymnastics. Campers will also go on a big field trip to a different location each Monday!

Dates: June 17<sup>th</sup> - August 9<sup>th</sup>  
Registration deadline: June 8<sup>th</sup> or until full  
Hours: 7:45 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.  
Cost Per Week: \$85 for residents and \$130 for non-residents

## Mini-Masters ½ Day Art Camp

Create your own masterpieces with Nicole Torres at the Aberdeen Recreation Center. Campers will learn about famous artists throughout history and create fun replicas. Campers will need to bring a water bottle and snack each day. Open to ages 5-12.

Dates: June 24<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>  
Registration deadline: June 10<sup>th</sup>  
Hours: Ages 5 - 8 - 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.  
Ages 9 - 12 - 2:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.  
Cost: \$60 for residents and \$90 for non-residents

## 2018 Sewer Collections System Performance Report

Overall the Town's sewer system is in good shape. The main issues we encounter in our system stem from inflow and infiltration and root and grease buildup in the lines. We are consistently replacing old sewer lines, videotaping to identify trouble areas and sealing older manholes.

### 2018 - We did not have any violations.

Spills that were less than the required overflow, we have not listed. Spills that do not enter surface water are dammed up to prevent spreading downstream and treated with an application of lime and then removed and taken to the Moore County Waste Water Treatment Plant.

I, certify under penalty of law, that this report is complete and accurate to the best of my

knowledge. I further certify that this report has been available to the users or customers of the named system and that those users have been notified of its availability.

-Brandon Mills  
Water/Sewer Superintendent

*Facility/System Name:* Town of Aberdeen  
*Responsibility Entity:* Town of Aberdeen Public Works Department  
*Person in Charge/Contact:* Brandon Mills  
*Applicable Permit(s):* Grade II Collections System Only  
*Description of Collection System or Treatment Process:* Approximately 20 miles of sanitary sewer main; approximately 2 miles of sanitary forced sewer main; 7 sewer lift pump stations – treatment is provided by Moore County.

## Fire Hydrant Testing

The Fire Department is currently testing and painting fire hydrants in the Aberdeen Fire District. The work will take about two months to complete.

If you have a hydrant near your property, remember that the hydrant should never be blocked or hidden by shrubs or plantings. This could inhibit the Fire Department's ability to quickly access a hydrant in an emergency situation. If there are shrubs or plantings around a hydrant, they will be removed.

If you have any questions, contact the Fire Department at 910-944-7888.



## AMR Water Meters

The Town has just completed Phase I of the AMR Project by installing 1200 water meters. Phase II will begin July 2019 with installation of the next 1200 water meters to be completed in June 2020 and Phase III will begin in July 2020 with the installation of the last water meters to be completed in June 2021.

Benefits of the new AMR water meters are:

- Ability to discover leaks earlier to prevent water loss and high water bills
- Drive-by meter reading allows for faster more accurate meter readings that will also help reduce delays with other utility installation repairs and needs
- Meter readings will be for the exact usage of water rather than rounded to the nearest thousand gallons

Once all customers have the AMR water meter, customers will have the ability to view water usage in real time and receive notification when there is high usage/leak.

If you have any questions about the project, contact Public Works at 910-944-7012.