

October 2026 Town Manager's Report

Ocean Boulevard Stormwater

Environmental Investigation and NEPA Documentation -

- Numerous interactions have occurred with USACE for processing project under CATEX instead of EA. Draft of documentation has started using USACE provided template. Current target to complete initial draft is mid November.
- Also, had interaction with DCM related to project construction. Initial positive response was received to the request that stormwater outfall construction and all project activities be viewed as exempt from permitting requirements.
- Concurrence was received on 404 and Coastal Wetlands delineations.

Design -

- Plans have been internally peer reviewed and are at 90% (subject to changes from permit reviews).
- Erosion Control permit documentation is done and targeted for submittal this week.
- NCDOT submittal is targeted for next week.
- Hydraulic Modeling and performance verification is in progress.

Block Q Master Plan RFQ

- McGill will be at the November meeting to present

Resilient Coastal Communities Program

- Staff attended a workshop on September 24th in New Bern
- Grant information on October 27th agenda

Canal Dredging

- Update on the October 27th agenda

Pier Property

- Update on the October 27th agenda

Central Reach Brunswick County Reimbursement

- The Town received the refund for the loan on the Central Reach Project and discussion will be on the November agenda

Brunswick County Biosolids Upgrade Project

- The funds have been delivered to Brunswick County
- Awarded contract estimate was less than anticipated by County

FY 26 Audit

- Daniel to report

Police Department Personnel Update

- Chief Barger to report

New Fire Station

- RFQ for engineering and design work for the new fire station is currently advertised with submissions due November 6th

Beach Mats

- We have had several inquiries about placing beach mats on the beach.

Strategic Planning

- Scheduled for December 4th

Barktoberfest and Trunk or Treat

- Scheduled for this Friday evening

Veterans Appreciation Luncheon

- November 6th
- Please pre-register by October 28th with Christy via email

Turkey Trot

- Thanksgiving morning at 8 am
- Canned food donation
- Pre-register with Christy

Tree Lighting

- December 3rd

Employee Updates

- Josh Phillips was hired as a new police officer
- Christy attended the American Shore & Beach Preservation Association (ASBPA) 100th Anniversary Conference in early October and the NC Waters Summit
- I attended the 2026 International City County Managers (ICMA) Conference
- Mayor Holden, Christy and I attended the NC Beach Inlet and Waterway Association (NCBIWA) meeting where Christy was also appointed to the Board of Directors
- Several members of staff completed the couch to one mile fitness challenge this month. Some will follow up with the Turkey Trot to build on it for Thanksgiving morning