**TOWN OF WASHINGTON PARK, NC**

**COMMUNITY INFORMATION**

Washington Park is an incorporated town (1923) of 392 people who live in 216 homes as of 06/30/2022. The Town has a tax rate of 29 cents per $100.00 of value as listed on the Beaufort County tax books for 2022-23.

We have a Mayor and five Commissioners (non-partisan) elected by the residents of Washington Park every two years. Our Town Clerk is an appointed position chosen by the Board.

The Board meets the first Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 408 Fairview Avenue. Occasionally, meetings are rescheduled and special meetings are also occasionally scheduled. All meetings are posted on the town’s website: [www.townofwashingtonpark.com](file:///C%3A%5CUsers%5CDennie%5CDesktop%5Cwww.townofwashingtonpark.com). All residents are invited to attend any part or all of the meetings.

We, as residents of the Park, have the following primary services/community facilities available to us:

1. Police Protection -- Beaufort County Sheriff’s Department 946-7111

Emergency – 911

1. Fire Protection -- Fire/Rescue/EMS – 911
2. Solid Waste Pickup -- Garbage Pickup – Tuesday and Friday

Yard Trash – Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday

Residents provide their own garbage cans. All garbage cans must have a tight-fitting lid. Large garbage cans with wheels are acceptable. Cans must be brought to the street for pickup. Special sanitation assistance forms are available from the clerk for those residents who are not able to bring cans to the street. For information about holiday pickup, check the calendar on the town’s website: [www.townofwashingtonpark.com](http://www.townofwashingtonpark.com) or call the Municipal Building at 252-946-3157.

1. Tennis Courts -- Keys are sold yearly beginning after August 1st. For information call the Town Clerk, Dennie Dale, at 946-3157. Key rental yearly is $25.00. (Checks only made out to “Town of Washington Park”). Keys are for Park residents’ use only. Guests can use the courts, but the resident should be present while the courts are in use. There is an additional one-time $5.00 fee for the use of the pickleball nets in the dockbox on the court.
2. Playground and Picnic Area – the Playground is for the use of Park residents and their guests. Residents are responsible for their guests. Residents may “book” the Park for guest groups such as a school class or for a birthday party (call Dennie Dale, 946-3157).
3. The Waterfront – The Town owns the part of the waterfront where the low chain/posts are present. The waterfront is for the use of Park residents and guests. Residents are responsible for their guests. Residents may “book” the waterfront for events (weddings, church functions, private events, etc.) with a deposit of $250.00 (call Dennie Dale, 946-3157).
4. The Town Website -- The calendar on the website, [www.townofwashingtonpark.com](http://www.townofwashingtonpark.com), also lists events that are scheduled in Washington Park, i.e. road races, bicycling events, as well as private events.
5. Annual Picnic – Time and place to be announced, usually in autumn.
6. Zoning Ordinance – Copies can be seen at the Municipal Building. The Town Clerk, Dennie Dale, is our Zoning Officer. Construction of any kind (including all outbuildings, fences, driveways, generators, and HVACs) needs to have permission from the Town Clerk. She requires a letter outlining the kind of building proposed and a scale drawing of the proposed structure within the lot lines for the appropriate setback allowances.

Fence permits may be obtained from the Town Clerk for a $10.00 fee. (Checks only made out to “Town of Washington Park”). Building permits can be obtained from the City of Washington, 975-9334. (The Town contracts with the City of Washington for building inspection service.)

1. Town’s Work Force --

Clerk – Dennie Dale, 946-3157, Municipal Building

Public Works Supervisor – Todd Askew

Worker – James Woolard

1. Recycling – Pickup is available from GLF/Waste Industries, 252-752-1997. Waste Industries picks up recycling every other Friday. The annual fee is approximately $79.00, payable to Waste Industries. See www.wasteindustries.com for further information.
2. Yard sales – Permits are required for yard, estate, garage sales, etc. No more than two permits may be issued to one resident or family household during the calendar year. Permits may be obtained from the Town Clerk for a $5.00 fee. (Checks only made out to “Town of Washington Park”).
3. Yard debris – Yard service contractors should carry off their own loads. If a resident generates less than a pickup load of grass, leaves, branches, etc. in their yard, the Town work crew will carry it off. If more than a pickup load is generated, the resident should haul it all away.

Mayor: Thomas B. Richter 252-945-0570

Commissioners: Lee Bowen 252-362-1236

 Belinda Cowell 252-946-2345

 Wade Dale 252-327-7000

 Patrick Nash 252-947-1538

 Jeff Peacock 252-362-7635

Town Clerk: Dennie Dale 252-946-3157 (office) 252-947-0340 (cell)