Washington Park Town Crier June 2026



Golf Carts: As a reminder, per the Town ordinances, **and** NC General Statutes, **it is illegal for any person under 16 years of age or who does not have a valid driver's license to operate a golf cart on public streets or highways within the Town.** The Board understands the fun and excitement in driving golf carts; however, residents need to adhere to NC General Statutes as they pertain to operating them. Thank you for your support and consideration in keeping all residents safe.

FY27 Budget: The Board adopted the FY27 budget at the June 1 meeting. The tax rate for FY27 will remain the same, at $0.15 per $100 of valuation.

Use of Waterfront / Facilities: During the budget process, the Board decided to alter the fee for use of the waterfront and/or facilities. Previously, the $250 fee was fully refundable. Effective July 1, the fee will still be $250; however, **only $100 will be refunded**, provided the Town does not have to clean up or repair anything following the event. This will help the Town recoup maintenance costs for the waterfront area. If you have already reserved the waterfront for an event, this change will not impact you; you will be refunded $250 as noted when you made the reservation. This change is for reservations made on or after July 1, 2026.

Garbage Collection: Liquid paint is not accepted at the transfer station, which means the Town is unable to collect and dispose of it. Please do not place paint cans out for collection, either inside or beside the roller carts. Also, please do not dump paint in the cans. If paint is dumped in the cans, the trash **will not** be collected. Paint causes damage to the truck as well as drips on or stains the roadways. Lids can be removed from cans to allow the paint to dry or paint may be poured on to a sheet or cardboard and allowed to dry. Liquid paint is accepted during Beaufort County Household Hazardous Waste events; event information can be found here. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding as we work to keep trash collection available for all residents.

New Website: The Board is pleased to announce that the Town will be getting a new website! Work on the new website will begin after July 1. Be on the lookout as the new site is launched in the next few months. In the interim, if you would like to join the email list, please contact the Town Clerk (aawashpark@outlook.com) and ask to have your email added.

Town offices will be closed on Monday, July 6 for the July 4th holiday.

Trash will be collected as normal on June 30 and July 3.



