



City Manager's

5/17/2019

WEEK-IN-REVIEW

in the

Spotlight



Palm Coast Wins in Water Conservation

The City of Palm Coast has won first place in the 8th Annual Wyland National Mayor's Challenge for Water Conservation! We won first in cities of our size, with over 8,022 residents pledging to cut water usage. The contest is a friendly national challenge between cities to inspire residents to make online pledges in using water more efficiently, reducing pollution and to save energy. Congratulations Palm Coast for this honorable achievement. For more information, see the attached news release or visit the Wyland National mayor's Challenge Website here <https://www.mywaterpledge.com/city-standings/>.



**Iconic Palm Coast Water Tower
(Holds 750,000 gallons of water)**

Announcements



*Tuesday, May 21, 5pm
Central Park at Town Center*

*Remembering America's Heroes ~ Memorial Day Ceremony
Monday, May 27, 8am
Heroes Memorial Park*

*City offices CLOSED, in observance of Memorial Day
Monday, May 27*



*Friday, June 14, 8:45pm
Central Park in Town Center*

Next Week:

- *Tuesday, May 21, City Council Business Mtg, 9am, City Hall – Community Wing*
 - *Thursday, May 23, Beautification and Environmental Advisory Committee Mtg, 5pm, City Hall – Community Wing*
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Attachments

- Administrative Services & Economic Development Department Update
 - BAC Update
 - Public Works Department Update
 - Community Development Department Update
 - Fire Department Update
 - Parks & Recreation Department Update
 - Utility Department Update
 - Engineering & Stormwater Department Update
 - Humane Society Update
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News Releases

- New tennis programs for children this summer
 - Adult basketball league is back for another season
 - New mermaid class being offered at the Palm Coast Aquatics Center
 - Cancellation of the council workshop
 - Details of the upcoming Memorial Day ceremony
 - City wins first place in the National Mayor's Challenge for Water Conservation.
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Communications & Marketing

This week the team has been focusing on Palm Coast Connect. A logo, word mark, and user interface development were designed as well as 50 articles were published to the Information Center. Video work also began on a promo video for the platform and designs are being developed for specialty t-shirts that will be used to market Palm Coast Connect over the summer. We also began work on a new Customer Service survey, which will help the City gain valuable feedback on Palm Coast Connect and ultimately help us improve the experience for all users.

The Brand Plus team is excited to announce that Tyler Jarnigan has been selected to be the team's next leader. Additionally, the team discussed branded shopping bags, and photo contest promotions.

As part of the ongoing Rooted in Nature campaign, during the month of May we are promoting the Adopt-A-Trail program. One of the Facebook posts promotes the Intracoastal Waterway Trail by giving our followers a look at what the trail has to offer and showing them its beauty to inspire them to sign up for the program. We have a lot of new residents and some are excited to learn this trail and others exist and plan to check them out. This post reached 21,383 people so far and has 186 reactions, 64 comments, and 93 shares.

This week we also had quite a bit of media coverage regarding a new Parks & Rec 'Mermaid Class' to be taught at the Palm Coast Aquatics Center starting in June. A radio interview was done with WNZF. The radio station 103.3 the Vibe discussed the mermaid class during the morning drive listening time, which is rush hour. They also shared our Facebook video post about the class to their Facebook page. At least three local TV stations in the Jacksonville and Orlando media markets – WKMG (Orlando), WJXT (Jacksonville), and First Coast News (Jacksonville) all posted the mermaid class to their Facebook pages linking to a story. A website called UPI.com also posted a story online about the mermaid class.

Additionally, Monday we learned all of our hard work during the month of April for the Mayor's Challenge for Water Conservation paid off as we learned we came in at #1 in the challenge, for cities our size. There were 5 winning cities in the challenge. We sent out a news release announcing the win and featured it on social with a special graphic. Flagler Live covered the water conservation win with a story on their website.

News releases announced new tennis programs for children this summer, the adult basketball league is back for another season, the new mermaid class being offered at the Palm Coast Aquatics Center, the cancelation of the council workshop, the details of the upcoming Memorial Day ceremony, and the city winning first place in the National Mayor's Challenge for Water Conservation.

City Clerk

- Processed 6 public records requests.
- Processed 3 litigation documents.
- Prepared and processed 34 documents for recording.
- Prepared and posted 1 agenda to the web.
- Advertised for LSAC Members and PLDRB Alternates
- Completed 1 Proof of Life document for a citizen.



Central Services Division

Purchasing

Status	Ref. #	Project
Pending	RFS-IT-19-50	A P3 (Public-Private-Partnership) for use of a City-Owned Fiber-Optic Network
Pending	RFSQ-CD-19-57 / ITB-CD-19-57	Section F Ditch Replacement
Pending	ITB-CD-19-03	Equip Well SW-43R and Raw Water Main
Open	RFSQ-CD-19-55 / ITB-CD-19-55	Belle Terre Culvert Replacement
Open	RFQ-HR-19-52	Temporary Labor Services
Evaluating	RFSQ-CD-19-40 / ITB-CD-19-40	New Traffic Signal and Turn Lane at Belle Terre and Market Ave/Eastwood Dr.
Evaluating	ITB-UT-19-45	Replacement PEP Pumps - Price Agreement Contract
Evaluating	RFSQ-CD-19-53 / ITB-CD-19-53	Indian Trails Sports Complex Improvements
Evaluating	ITB-CD-19-54	Stormwater Utility Site Maintenance
Completed	LOI-CD-19-38	Request for Letter of Interest (LOI) for Central Park Master Plan Update and Design Services
Completed	RFSQ-CD-19-43 / ITB-CD-19-43	Water Treatment Plant No. 1 (WTP1) Electrical Upgrades
Completed	RFSQ-CD-19-47 / ITB-CD-19-47	Belle Terre Bridge Rehabilitation
Completed	ITB-CD-19-32	Backup Power to Five (5) Pump Stations FEMA Contract #4283-27-R
Completed	ITB-CD-19-33	Backup Power to Five (5) Pump Stations FEMA Contract #4283-31-R
Completed	ITB-CD-19-34	Backup Power to Five (5) Pump Stations FEMA Contract #4283-33-R
Completed	ITB-CD-19-35	Backup Power to Five (5) Pump Stations FEMA Contract #4283-34-R
Completed	ITB-CD-19-36	Backup Power to Five (5) Pump Stations FEMA Contract #4283-35-R
Completed	ITB-CD-19-37	Backup Power to Five (5) Pump Stations FEMA Contract #4283-36-R
Completed	RFQ-UT-19-49	Utility Department Window Replacement

BUSINESS ASSISTANCE CENTER



The Palm Coast Business Assistance Center Services Provided by the SBDC at UCF

Located at City Hall
160 Lake Avenue
Palm Coast, Florida 32164
(386) 986-2499
www.PalmCoastBAC.com

BUSINESS CONSULTING

- This Week – 5 Consulting Sessions, 15 Consulting Hours
- Total for Month – 22 Consulting Sessions, 79 Consulting Hours

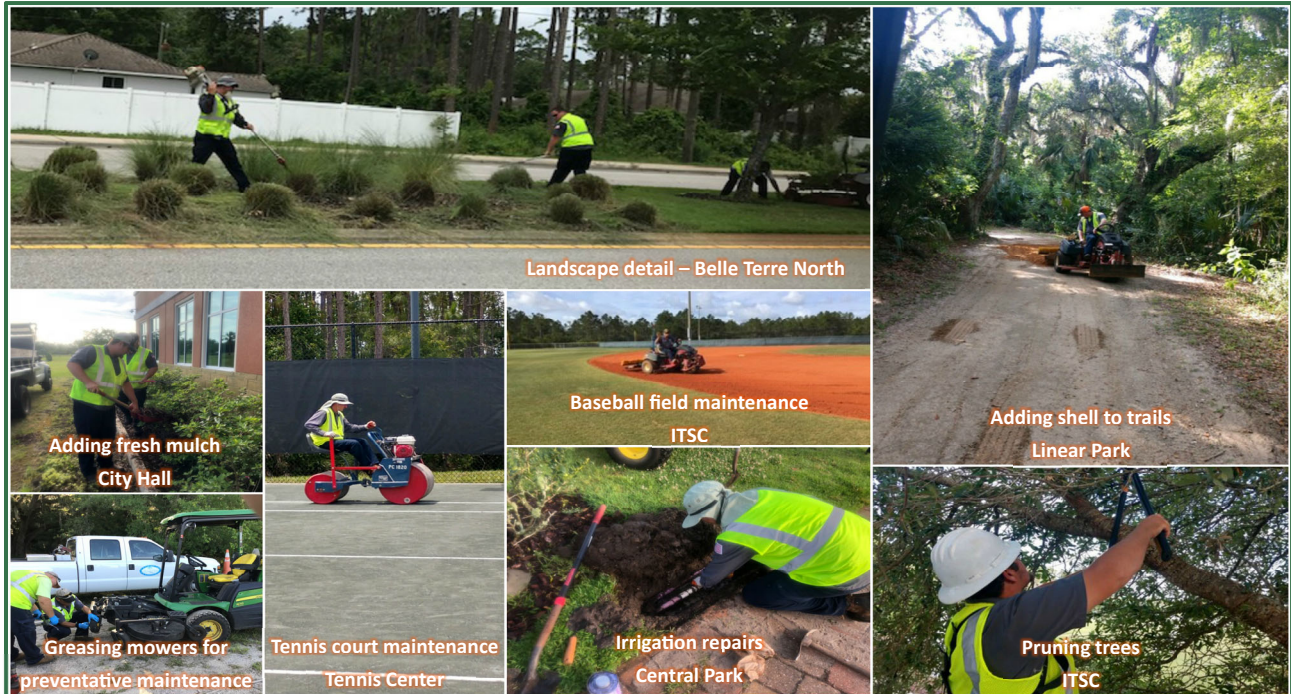
NEW PALM COAST COMMERCIAL BUSINESSES

- Adette's Bistro & Bakery – 160 Cypress Point Pkwy – Restaurant
- Salon Dolcella – 160 Cypress Point Pkwy - Salon

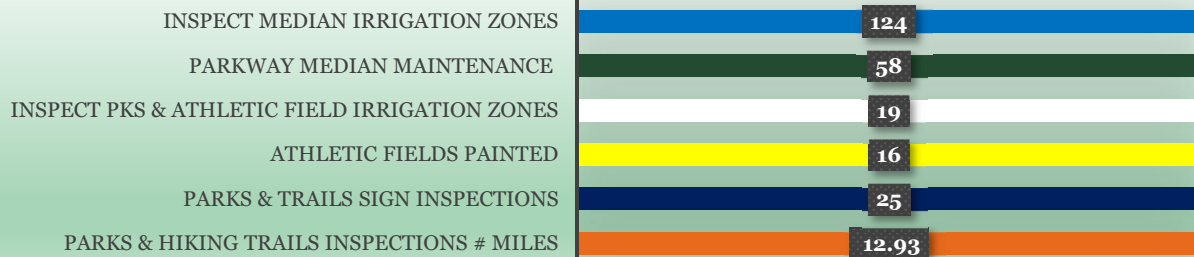
NEW PALM COAST HOME BASED BUSINESSES

- PT Solutions – 250 Palm Coast Pkwy NE – Physical Therapy

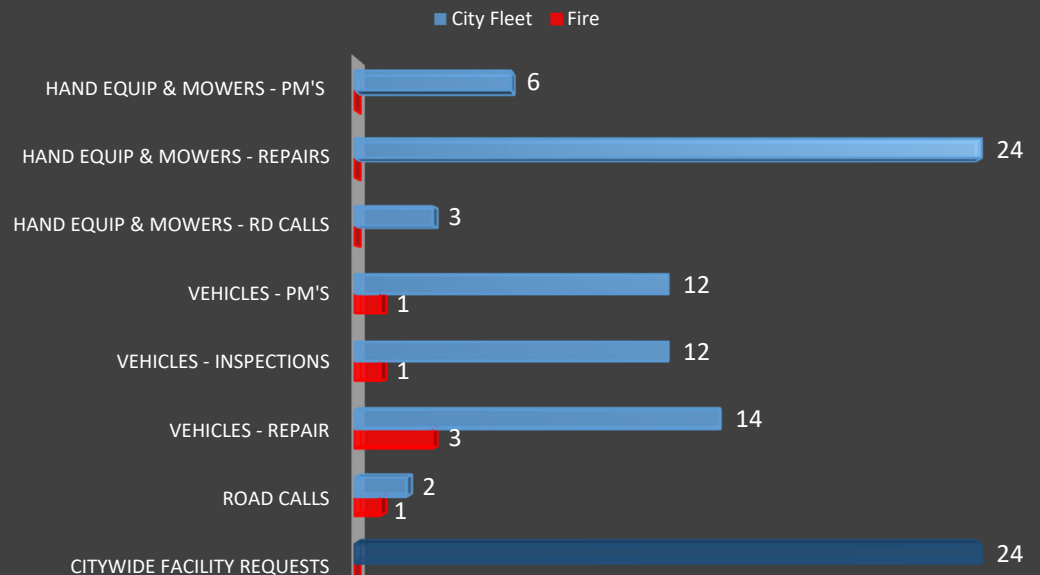
PUBLIC WORKS



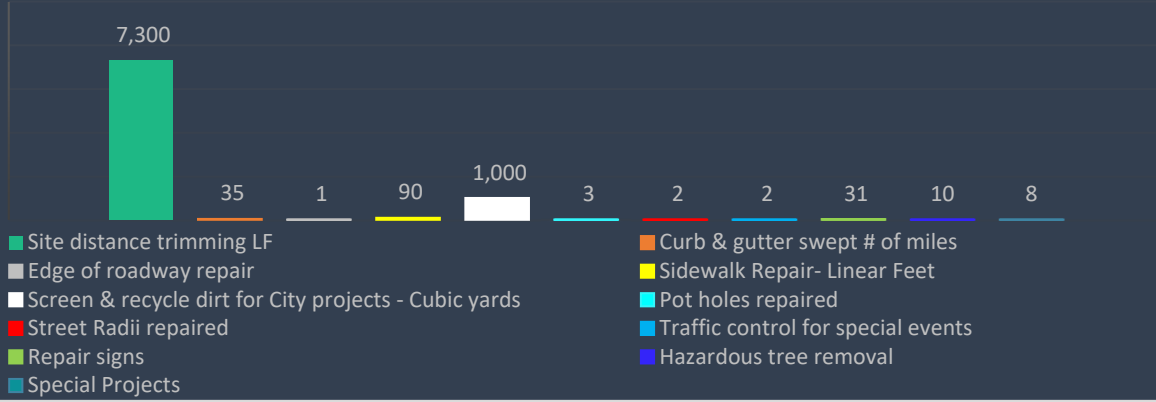
Parks & Medians Division



Facility & Fleet Service



Streets Division



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – Stephen Flanagan, Director

*DEVELOPMENT FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE CITY'S
NATURAL RESOURCES, PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, AND WELFARE.*

Commercial Permits Applied			
1465 Central Ave - Central Landings	10 Multi Unit Apartment Buildings (233 units)	WPGC Construction	\$7,898,507
1465 Central Ave - Central Landings	Amenity Building - Clubhouse	WPGC Construction	\$146,497
1465 Central Ave - Central Landings	Trash Compactor	WPGC Construction	\$18,618
Commercial Permits Issued			
1030 Palm Coast Parkway Unit 4	Interior Renovations - In & Out Liquor	Commercial Construction	\$19,670
4500 N US Hwy 1 (Alamo Storage)	Two - 90 x 40 storage unit buildings	Sun State Custom Builders	\$200,000
Occupancy Permits Issued			
160 Cypress Point Parkway A114	Art Among the Flowers - Florists & Gift Shop	James Niebauer	
Construction value improvements from October 1, 2018 to date			\$190,788,898
Residential Single Family / Duplex Residences			7

Spotlight Projects

O'Reilly Auto Parts Receives a Development Order

On May 15, 2019, the Planning and Land Development Regulation Board approved a Technical Site Plan for a new O'Reilly Auto Parts store that would be located at the southeast corner of Palm Coast Parkway NW and Bridgehaven Drive. The 7,171 square foot building would be on an approximate one-acre vacant site.



O'Reilly Elevation





GUIDANCE

Tip of the Month:

Water Safety – The number one safety tip is to supervise your kids around any kind of water – from the beach to the bathtub. Always be within arm's length whenever infants or young children are in or around water.

PSA – "Please, Do Something - Water Safety Awareness PSA"
<http://bit.ly/PleaseDoSomething>

Volunteer Intern

"Become a Volunteer"

<http://www.palmcoastgov.com/government/fire/volunteer>

Register for Basic First Aid & CPR or Healthcare Provider:

<http://www.palmcoastgov.com/government/fire/cpr>

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Basic First Aid & CPR:

June 29th 7 openings
August 10th 12 openings

Healthcare Provider:

July 27th 7 openings

DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES

Flagler Palm Coast High School students and Volunteer Firefighter Intern applicants have a total of 26 "Ride-Along" hours this week.

There are many congratulations to be shared for volunteer & career staff. Fire Policeman Simon Sam graduated from Daytona State College with his Bachelor's Degree. Volunteer Intern Bill Kerek became the 11th intern to transition to a career firefighter. Firefighters: Joe Fajardo & Fortunato Damiano cleared as Paramedics. Our staff & volunteers continue to achieve great things in their professional development.

The Palm Coast Fire Department launched its official Facebook Page. You can visit the page at www.facebook.com/palmcoastfire for more photos and updates on the department's activities.



Palm Coast Raises Cancer Awareness

By Pamela Adams, News Public Information Officer, Palm Coast Fire Department

Raising awareness for firefighter cancer is the focus of the Palm Coast Fire Department's annual Cancer Awareness Week. The department is working to educate the community about the risks of occupational cancer and the importance of early detection. Firefighters are at a higher risk of developing cancer due to exposure to carcinogens in the workplace. The department is offering free cancer screenings for firefighters and their families. The screenings are being held at the Palm Coast Fire Station 14. The department is also offering free cancer awareness materials to the community. The materials include information about the risks of occupational cancer and the importance of early detection. The department is also offering free cancer awareness materials to the community. The materials include information about the risks of occupational cancer and the importance of early detection.



Palm Coast Fire Station 14

Palm Coast Firefighters Raise Awareness About Firefighter Cancer

The Palm Coast Fire Department is working to raise awareness about firefighter cancer. The department is offering free cancer screenings for firefighters and their families. The screenings are being held at the Palm Coast Fire Station 14. The department is also offering free cancer awareness materials to the community. The materials include information about the risks of occupational cancer and the importance of early detection. The department is also offering free cancer awareness materials to the community. The materials include information about the risks of occupational cancer and the importance of early detection.

Palm Coast Firefighters gain state & national press for highlighting the Palm Coast Fire Department raising awareness about Firefighter Occupational Cancer. Since the writing of this article, Governor Ron DeSantis signed into law the Firefighter Cancer Benefit Bill

HIGHLIGHTS

Intern #11 joins Career Ranks

The Palm Coast Fire Department Intern Program was created in 2017 to home grow future employees through our volunteer program. Since we began we have successfully employed 10 volunteers as employees. Today we announce #11. Please join us in welcoming future Firefighter-Paramedic Bill Kerek who joins our ranks on May 27.

Newly Cleared Paramedics!

Congratulations to Firefighter Paramedics Joseph Fajardo & Fortunato Damiano. With the final assessment scenarios in front of our Medical Director, Dr. McCabe, both concluded the last stage of their paramedic clearing process. Their long excursion and solid effort has finally paid off. Firefighters Fajardo & Damiano are now cleared Paramedics for the Palm Coast Fire Department.

Employee Academy

Palm Coast Employee Academy visited Fire Station 25. City employees learn the inner workings of their Fire Department & other city's departments by visiting & getting an up close look into the department's operations. They were given a tour of Station 25 & a bird's eye view of the City from atop Tower 24.



Volunteer Intern Bill Kerek & his crew after being offered a career position as a Firefighter



Newly Cleared Paramedics Fajardo & Damiano



Chief Forte with Employee Academy Participants

Parks & Recreation – Alex Boyer, Director

It has been a busy week for Parks & Rec! Our interns started this week. Taylor, a graphic design major at Flagler College, will be helping the Department with various design templates mainly focusing on golf and tennis. Danevsky or “Nevs”, a public administration major at UCF, will be assisting us with multiple reports and policy updates. We are very excited to have them with us for the summer.

Our seniors had a great time at our Oldies but Goodies Social this week. The event included dancing, a live band, dinner, games, and lots of fun. It was a great opportunity for the seniors in our community to socialize. Our toddlers had a great time at Teddy Bear Picnic. The theme this week was “under the sea.”

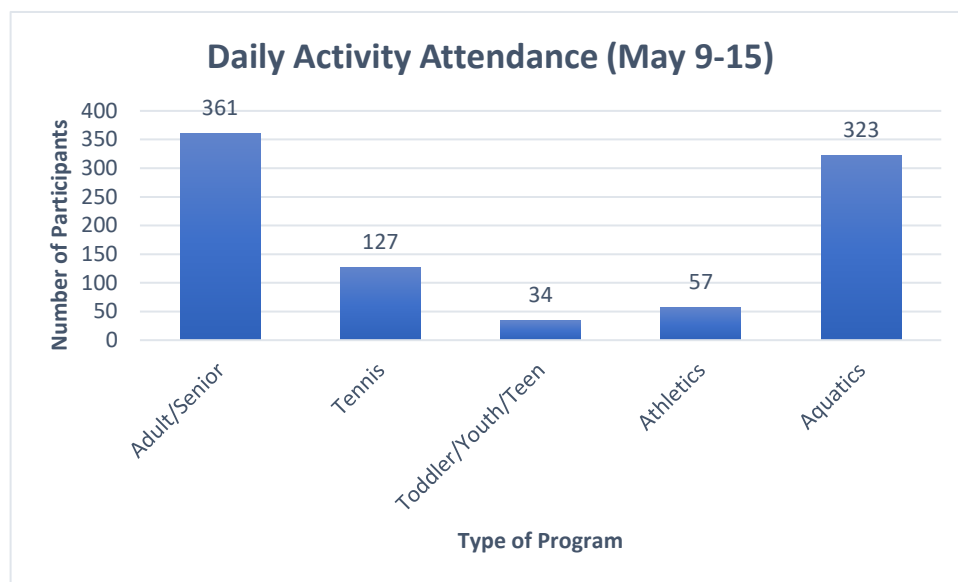
We also hosted a Department-wide All Staff Meet & Greet event. The purpose of this night was for the staff from all of our different areas, including new summer hires, to meet and get to know each other. We covered the highlights of the Department and the most essential information they would need to know, as well as the best resources for information. We also had ice breaker/team building games. Our staff is ready to take on our full summer of activities.

Summer 2019 Activity Guide

<http://www.palmcoastgov.com/recreation>

Online Registration & Activities List

<http://www.parksandrec.fun>



Activities Offered this Week

Adult/Senior

Weekly Senior Social Activities
Line Dancing
West Coast Swing
Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program
A Day at the Movies
Oldies but Goodies Social
Ladies Paint Night

Health & Wellness

Yoga for All & Gentle Yoga
Better Balance through Tai Chi
Indoor Rowing
REFIT® Revolution Family Fitness
Zumba Gold®
Family Kickball

Aquatics

Palm Coast Masters Swim
Aqua Zumba®
Water Aerobics
Fitness on the Water
Swim Lessons
STEM

Athletics

Open Pickleball
Adult Open Gym Basketball

Tennis - Adults

Beginners, Cardio, Morning Blast,
Doubles Skills, & Round Robins

Tennis - Youth

Tennis Tots
Rallies (Rookie, Red, Orange, & Green)
Junior Development

Toddler/Youth/Teen

Munchkin Soccer
Teen Mountain Biking
Palm Coast Master Builders
Cooking Matters for Chefs and Kids
Teddy Bear Picnic
Our Neck of the Woods

Special Events

Movies in the Park



Teddy Bear Picnic



Oldies but Goodies Social



All Staff Meet & Greet

COMING UP

May 21 – Food Truck Tuesday

May 27 – Memorial Day

June 3 - Summer Camps start

June 14 – Movies in the Park

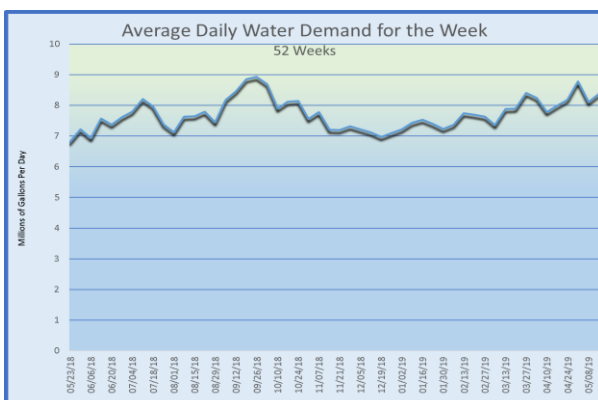
June 18 – Food Truck Tuesday

June 21 – Dive-in Movies

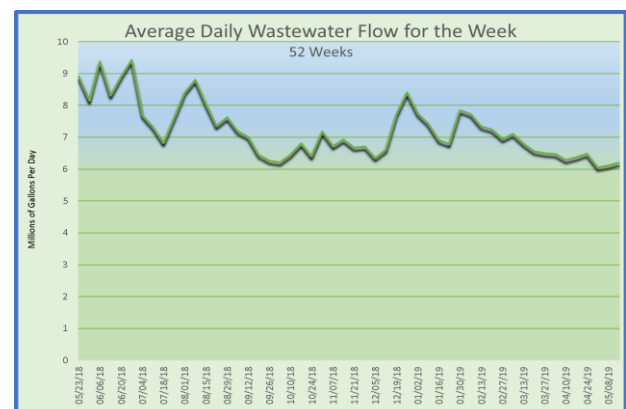
Utility – Richard Adams, Director

5-16-2019

- The average water demand for the week was 8.367 million gallons per day.
- The average wastewater flow for the week was 6.203 million gallons per day.
- Water Distribution crews installed 23 new water meters and 2 reuse meters.
- There are 207 new meter installations pending with 54 lots cleared and an average installation time of 3 weeks of site ready.
- Wastewater Operations installed 11 new PEP tanks.
- There are 20 new PEP tanks pending and 3 replacements pending. Currently all new tanks are being installed within 10 days of site ready.
- There were 51 calls after hours.
- Water Distribution crews completed 9 meter pit adjustments/replacements, repaired 1 service line, 4 manifolds and tested and repaired 224 backflow preventers.
- Wastewater crews replaced 12 PEP pumps, 3 ball valves and boxes, 32 floats and 5 cleanout caps, 1 service lateral and repaired 1 PEP main. Crews also installed 3 risers, 11 PEP pump assemblies and 11 PEP electric assemblies. Inspected via CCTV 100 feet of gravity sewer and 15 manholes.
- May 14th, Medora Company arrived onsite to pilot test aeration on several different water streams located at Water Treatment Plant #2.
- May 14th, Robert Nelson from Water Treatment Plant #2 received his Florida Department of Environmental Protection Class "A" license.
- Miller Pipeline completed lining of gravity sewer pipe in the C Section around the Palm Harbor area. To date 9,299 feet of 8 inch, 1,653 feet of 10 inch and 587 feet of 12 inch pipe lining has been completed.
- Paradise Landscaping completed landscape upgrades at Pump Station 58-1 and Pump Station 4-2.
- Wastewater Operations staff repaired several breaks on sewer service lines and pep mains, due to damage by various contractors.
- Clarifier upgrades at Wastewater Treatment Plant #1 are 95% complete with both online and performing well. The contractor will be reinstalling the weir brushes, pouring a section of sidewalk, and restoring grass areas to complete the project.
- Wastewater Operations met with CPH Engineering Inc. Following the meeting a diving company was contacted and a proposal was received to inspect the concentrate outfall from Water Treatment Plant #3. This was related to a request from Florida Department of Environmental Protection to allow this line to be used for effluent disposal to Intracoastal Waterway during wet weather.



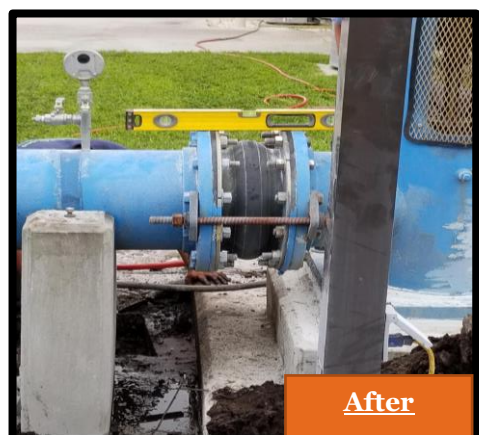
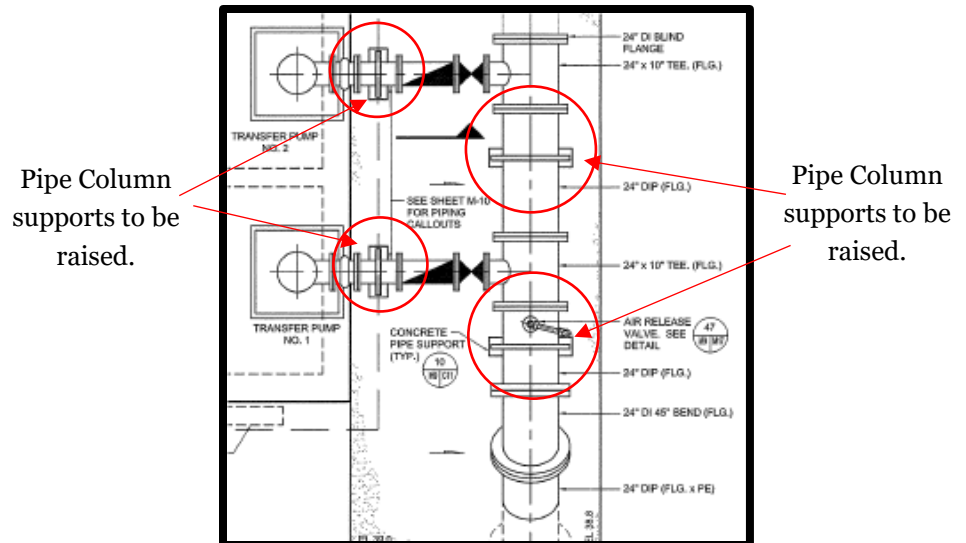
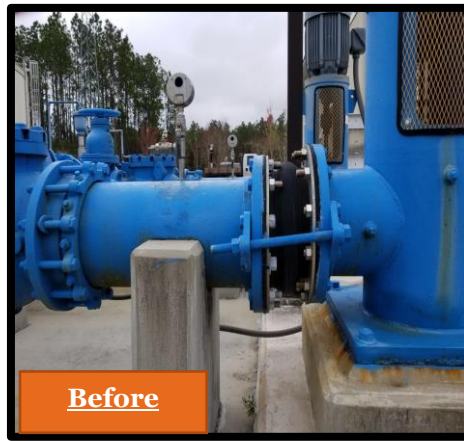
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HIGHLIGHTS WATER OPERATIONS

- Water Treatment Plant #3 experienced a settling condition of the Finished Water Transfer Pump Header Piping. The column supports along with the entire foundation was sinking possibly due to heavy rainfall in the past two years. The system was raised and stabilized by installing helical piers driven into the ground alongside of the column supports then mechanically attaching them underneath each column. Once attached, all four column supports were evenly raised to their original alignment. A two part epoxy foam was applied underneath to fill the voids created and to stabilize the surrounding soils.



HIGHLIGHTS WATER OPERATIONS

- Water Treatment Plant #1 replaced 2 16-inch basin effluent valves that were in service for 42 years.
- On May 15th FJNugent delivered the pilot tank for water quality testing at Water Treatment Plant #2. This tank is a .1% full scale replica of the existing 2.0 million gallon tank. This tank will allow staff to further test water quality for enhancements and provide the engineers valuable data for optimizing treatment options and potential reduction in chemical dosage and cost.
- Water Treatment Plant #3 replaced 2 12-inch concentrate discharge swing check valves. The check valves were converted from resilient seating to a more reliable pinch seat. The project included replacing the isolation gate valves as well.

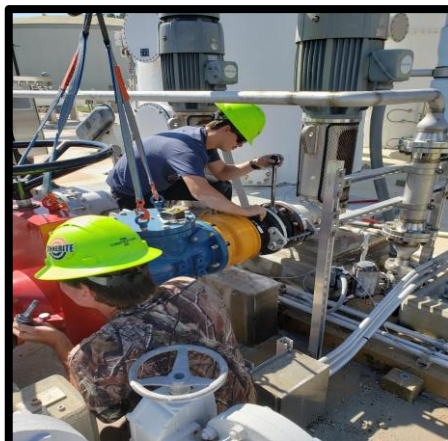
Water Treatment Plant #1



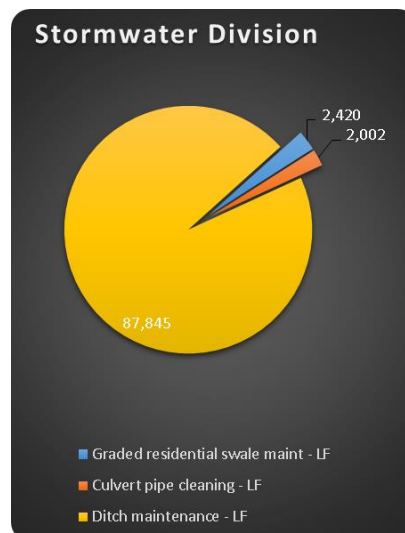
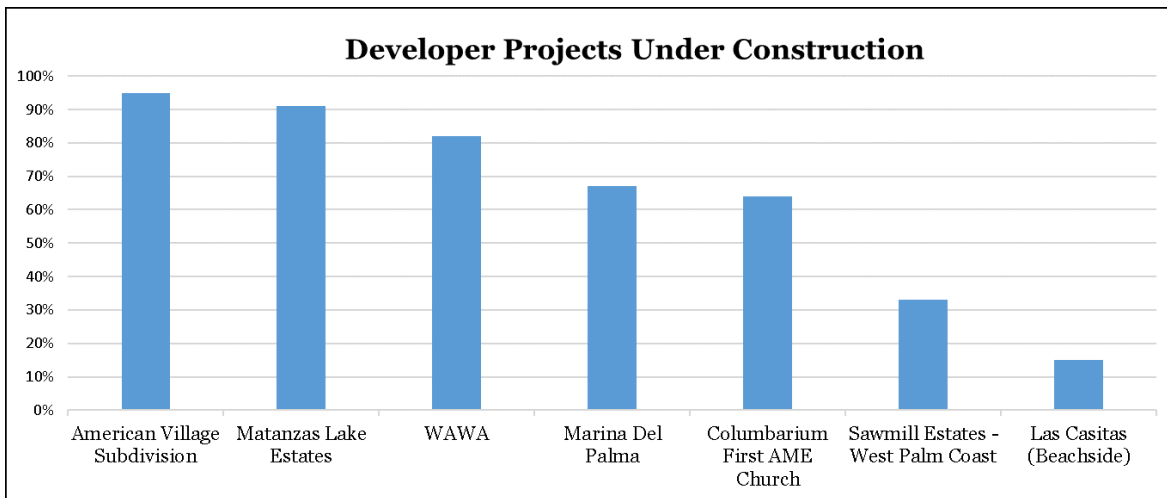
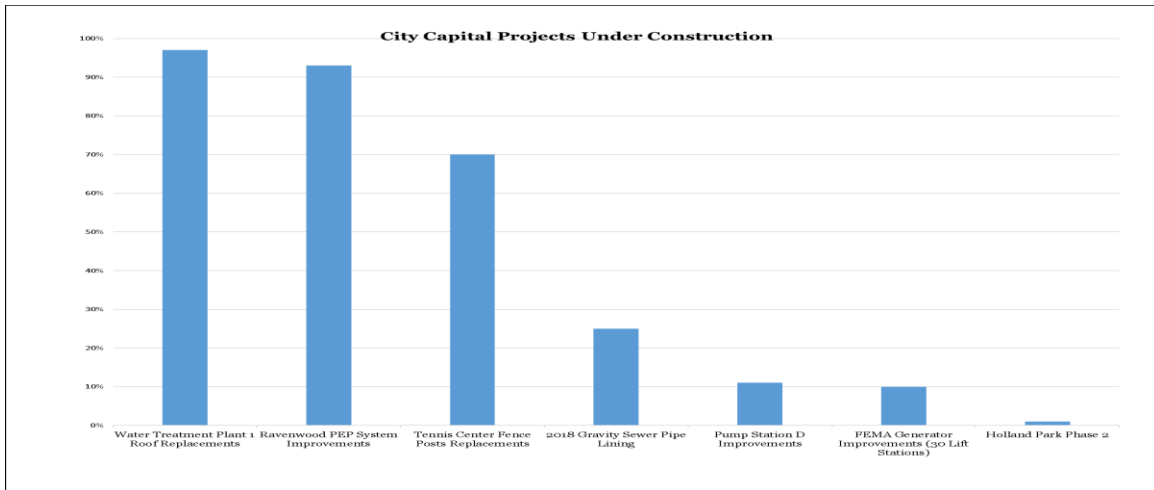
Water Treatment Plant #2



Water Treatment Plant #3



STORMWATER & ENGINEERING – Carl Cote, Director



Spotlight Projects

New Backboards at the Community Center & Holland Park

In order to improve the quality of their experience for the basketball players at Holland Park and at our Community Center, the City has replaced the basketball backboards with full size professional outdoor glass backboards.

The backboards are constructed of $\frac{1}{2}$ " thick tempered glass with an official white shooter's square and border. The new backboards are a full 6' wide which will greatly improve the playing experience.



New Basketball Backboards at the Community Center & Holland Park



Menzi Muck Operator Training



Ditch Project -E section Easthampton



Swale Maintenance - P Section



NEWS RELEASE – City of Palm Coast

Contact: Kimberly Norman, Public Relations Associate

386-986-3717

May 15, 2019

Children can aim for the aces during new tennis programs this summer

Palm Coast – School may be out for the summer, but it's still a good time to aim for the aces on the tennis court!

There are several new programs for children in June and July that are either free or a small daily fee for court time.

During the entire month of June, the A's and Aces program allows children of grade school age to bring in their year-end report card to the Palm Coast Tennis Center, located at 1290 Belle Terre Pkwy, and receive one free play pass for each 'A' earned. Court space must be available. To check court availability or reserve space, call 386-986-2550, starting three days in advance.

Also new to the lineup is Learn 2 Play, which is free kids tennis lessons offered each Saturday in July at Holland Park, located at 18 Florida Park Dr. On July 6, 13, 20, and 27, children 7-10 years old can play from 9-10 a.m. Children 11 and older can play from 10-11 a.m. This activity is part of the 'July is Park and Rec Month' celebration and players can show support by getting their "Game On!" at the tennis courts. Please register at www.parksandrec.fun/youth.

If your preschooler is showing an interest in tennis, Parks & Rec also offers the Tennis Tots program. This clinic engages children ages 3-5 and their parents with explorative activities that develop fundamental athletic and movement skills necessary for success in any sport. It is held Wednesdays, June 5-July 31 from 6-7 p.m. at the Palm Coast Community Center, located at 305 Palm Coast Pkwy NE. The fee is \$10 per day. Register at www.parksandrec.fun/toddlers.

For more information on these programs, call Parks & Rec at 386-986-2323.

Photo: League participants play basketball during the 2017 championship game.



NEWS RELEASE – City of Palm Coast

Contact: Kimberly Norman, Public Relations Associate

386-986-3717

May 15, 2019

Adult Basketball League offers friendly competition

Palm Coast – Interested in playing ball? Come out and show your skills in the Adult Basketball League! The 5v5 basketball league plays an 8-week series of games with the top five teams making the playoffs. This is a great opportunity to meet new people and make friends in the community while participating in physical fitness.

Here's how it works: The 5-person team will have to register as a group. The team captain will register the team and have complete control of the roster. To participate, the team must be registered by May 31 through www.parksandrec.fun/athletics. All players must bring their ID for proof of identification.

The league will play from June 3-July 24 on Mondays and Wednesdays either at 7 p.m., 8 p.m. or 9 p.m. at Buddy Taylor Middle School, located at 4500 Belle Terre Pkwy.

Early registration is happening now through May 21. The fee is \$400 for the 5-person team, which breaks down to be \$80 per person. Regular registration is May 22-31 and the fee then will be \$440, which breaks down to be \$88 per person.

Compete for the title of league champions and win a championship T-shirt, medal, and \$100 voucher off the next tournament (must be redeemed within the year).

For more information, call Parks & Recreation at 386-986-2323.

PHOTO: City Swim Instructor and Lifeguard Cassie Courchesne holds her mermaid tail at the Palm Coast Aquatics Center.

B-ROLL: Video shows Mermaid Class Instructor Cassie Courchesne demonstrating swimming in mermaid fashion. About halfway through the video, she does not have the tail on and is demonstrating the prerequisites needed to participate including swim 50 yards without assistance, float on front and back without assistance, and roll from back to front. Download video here: <https://www.palmcoastgov.com/filesshare/sent/5e6a2a21-2aec-476b-907a-378c9c19e10e>



NEWS RELEASE – City of Palm Coast

Contact: Kimberly Norman, Public Relations Associate
386-986-3717

May 14, 2019

Mermaid class to be offered for the first time at Palm Coast Aquatics Center

Palm Coast – Have a daughter or son with big dreams of being a mermaid? There is now a local opportunity for them to get that chance.

Palm Coast's Parks & Recreation will offer its first-ever mermaid class for children ages 6-11. The classes will be taught by Cassie Courchesne, a City of Palm Coast Swim Instructor and Lifeguard who teaches swim classes and some specialty aquatics classes.

"I wanted to start the mermaid class to make the dreams of little boys and girls come true all over Palm Coast," said Courchesne. "Putting on this tail and swimming gracefully through the water allows you to enter a world of fun imagination and that is so important for children to have."

Participants must provide their own tail and will learn proper swimming techniques, fluke splashes and how to correctly care for a mermaid tail.

To qualify for the class, children need to know how to swim as they will have to pass several prerequisites such as swim 50 yards without assistance, float on front and back without assistance, roll from back to front and be comfortable in deep water. Prerequisites will be tested on May 25 at noon.

This class will be held during two summer sessions. Session 1 will be held June 1-29 and session 2 will be held July 6-27. The classes will be held on Saturdays from 4:15-5:15 p.m. at the Palm Coast Aquatics Center. The cost is \$25 per session.

If interested in participating, please register at www.parksandrec.fun/aquatics as soon as possible as there is a limited number of spots available.



NEWS RELEASE – City of Palm Coast

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386-986-3708; cell 386-214-4729

May 14, 2019

Palm Coast City Council Workshop canceled for Tuesday, May 14

Palm Coast – The Palm Coast City Council Workshop for Tuesday, May 14, has been canceled.

The scheduled presentations related to the Florida Park Drive Corridor Study and to updates to the Innovation District and Innovation Kick Start Program have been rescheduled to the May 28 Council Workshop.

The other agenda items scheduled for May 14 have been rescheduled to the May 21 Council Business Meeting.

For more information, please contact the Palm Coast City Clerk's Office at 386-986-3713.

PHOTO: The Palm Coast Honor Guard presents the colors at the 2018 Memorial Day ceremony.



NEWS RELEASE- City of Palm Coast

Contact: Daniel Calderon, Communications & Marketing Intern
386-986-3702

May 14, 2019

Congressman Waltz to speak at City of Palm Coast's Memorial Day ceremony May 27

Palm Coast – On Monday, May 27, U.S. Rep. Michael Waltz, who represents District 6, will speak at the City of Palm Coast's public Memorial Day ceremony to honor the men and women who have died while serving in the U.S. military.

The ceremony will begin at 8 a.m. at Heroes Memorial Park, 2860 Palm Coast Pkwy. NW, Palm Coast (1/2 mile west of the Flagler County Library). Parking is available along Corporate Drive and at the Library.

Joining Lt. Col. Waltz as guest speakers of the event are Major Neal McCoppin (ret.) of the Flagler County Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America and the Flagler County Veterans Advisory Council and Palm Coast Mayor Milissa Holland. The Rev. Frank Boone, Chaplain of American Legion Post 115, will offer the invocation.

The Community Chorus of Palm Coast will perform *The Star-Spangled Banner*, as well as present a musical tribute of *Unsung Hero* and *God Bless America*. Emma Stanford, a Gold Star sibling, will lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

The presentation of colors will be done by the Palm Coast Fire Department Honor Guard, Matanzas High School JROTC and the Coastal Florida Police & Fire Pipes & Drums. Wreaths will be presented by World War II veteran Frank M. Fonte, representatives of local veterans organizations and Gold Star families. The Coastal Florida Police & Fire Pipes & Drums will perform *Amazing Grace*.

Marine Corps League Detachment 876 will conduct a three-volley salute, and the Palm Coast Fire Department Honor Guard will play *Taps*.

In addition to the Mayor, who will emcee the Ceremony, members of the Palm Coast City Council will attend the ceremony. Members of the community are encouraged to honor the lives of our armed forces by attending the event.

In case of rain, the program will be moved to Palm Coast Fire Station 21, 9 Corporate Drive. For more information, contact Communications & Marketing Intern Daniel Calderon at 386-986-3702 or DCalderon@palmcoastgov.com.

PHOTO: Pictured is the iconic Palm Coast water tower which holds 750,000 gallons of water. Residents pledged to save 33 million gallons of water over the next year, enough to fill 44 water towers.



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Palm Coast wins first place in National Mayor's Challenge for Water Conservation

Palm Coast – The City of Palm Coast won first place in the 8th Annual Wyland National Mayor's Challenge for Water Conservation for cities its size – with 8,022 Palm Coast residents pledging to cut water use by 33 million gallons over the next year! Winners were announced Monday by the Wyland Foundation.

The Water Challenge is a friendly non-profit national community service campaign and competition to see which cities can best inspire their residents to make a series of easy-to-do online pledge to use water more efficiently, reduce pollution and save energy. Residents made their pledges April 1-30. The City named this effort the 'Stop the Drops' campaign and provided residents tips on saving water in their homes.

"Congratulations to the citizens of Palm Coast for winning first place in this year's Water Challenge and even more importantly for your commitment to save water," said Palm Coast Mayor Milissa Holland.

"We are a conservation-minded community, and this accomplishment is a testament to our desire to protect this precious natural resource," Mayor Holland added. "Although we're surrounded by water here in Florida, drinking water is not abundant. In fact, the aquifer – our primary source for drinkable water – cannot recharge quickly enough to keep up with growth. Water conservation is our best option for ensuring an adequate supply as demand for water continues to grow."

In addition to the 8,022 pledges to reduce water use, residents from Palm Coast pledged to reduce their use of 88,000 single-use plastic water bottles and eliminate 1,896 pounds of hazardous waste from entering watersheds. By altering daily lifestyle choices, residents pledged to send 883,000 fewer pounds of waste to area landfills. Potential savings of 239,000 gallons of oil, 138 million pounds of carbon dioxide, 2.1 million kilowatt hours of electricity, and \$409,571 in consumer cost savings rounded out the final pledge results.

Throughout April, the City pushed the message of water conservation through social media, advertising in local media and at City events where staff handed out 'Stop the Drops' business cards, among other communications efforts.

Mayors from cities in 35 states participated in the challenge. Cities compete in the following population categories: (5,000-29,999 residents, 30,000-99,999 residents, 100,000-299,999 residents, 300,000-599,999 residents, and 600,000+ residents). Palm Coast (86,516 residents) was one of five national winners as well as Rexburg, Idaho; Athens, Ga.; Tucson, Ariz.; and Columbus, Ohio.

This is Palm Coast's fifth year to participate in the national competition. Last year, the City came in 18th in the nation for cities with a population of 30,000-99,999.

Residents from the five first-place winning cities will now be entered into a drawing for thousands of dollars in water-saving or eco-friendly prizes, including \$3,000 toward their annual home utility bill, "Greening Your Home" cleaning kits from Earth Friendly Products (ECOS), home irrigation equipment from The Toro Company, and a water fixture makeover for a local school from Ecosystems LLC. A \$500 home improvement store shopping spree will also be chosen from among the entire pool of U.S. participants. Additionally, participating residents were asked to nominate a deserving charity in their community to receive a 2019 Toyota Highlander Hybrid. Wyland will next evaluate select charities, which will be asked to submit questionnaires in the process. They hope to announce a winning charity later in the summer.

Overall, residents around the nation, from Fairbanks, Alaska, to Winterport, Maine, made 740,143 pledges to change behaviors ranging from fixing home leaks to reducing harmful runoff into local rivers and streams.

As winners of the various prizes are announced in the coming weeks and months, it's the perfect time for residents to think about the pledges they made and to follow through with the pledges they made for conserving water and energy. Throughout the summer, the City will share water-reducing ideas for the home. Stay tuned!

For more information, contact City of Palm Coast Public Relations Associate Kim Norman at knorman@palmcoastgov.com and 386-986-3717.



210 Cats

85 Dogs

1 Rabbit

5 Guinea
Pigs

Animals ready for homes

Dog bite prevention...not just for kids

FHS recently lost Volunteer Yvonne Presley who had devoted years of her life to teaching kids how to be safe around dogs. She represented FHS well, going to school dressed as her alter ego, "Granny Kind". This column is dedicated to her.

But is dog bite prevention just for kids? Certainly not. I can't count the times I've seen people, people who I thought knew better, go up to a strange dog and stick their face right into the dog's face. Talk about an invasion of personal space! Yes, dogs have personal space too. Just as you and I wouldn't meet each other for the first time and rub noses, we shouldn't do that with dogs either. Let the dog initiate the contact. If we reach toward them, stare them down or lean over them, dogs may see that as a threat. Dogs bite more out of fear than aggression.

As there are different reasons for dogs to bite, there are very different types of body language to look for. An aggressive dog who may be protecting a food bowl, a prized possession or puppies may have a stiff upright stance, tail raised, ears forward, hackles raised, the dog's lips curled. A fearful dog, (remember, dogs bite more out of fear than aggression) may have a lowered body, tail between its legs, hackles raised, eyes dilated and lips slightly curled. If you are confronted by an aggressive or fearful dog, you should move slowly away without making loud noises. Keep your head down, arms lowered to your sides. Avoid yelling, hitting or running. These behaviors could escalate the situation. Hopefully we as adults are doing what we tell kids to do. If you see someone walking their dog, do we ask them if it's OK to pet their dog before we reach out?

Then there's our own pets. Are we taking precautions when we open our front door? Putting a dog in a bedroom before opening the front door to someone the dog may not be familiar with is well worth the minute it will take. Dogs can dash out quickly. They may see the pizza delivery person or the old friend as a threat. Your dog wants to protect you and doesn't understand that this may be an invited guest. Be a responsible owner. Spay and neuter your pet. HSUS statistics reflect that dogs that have not been spayed or neutered are up to three times more likely to be involved in a biting incident than neutered or spayed dogs.

A good rule with most dogs is to build on trust, not on coercion or violence. A dog that trusts humans is the dog that is least likely to bite.

Pet of the Week



JUNIPER

Featured Pet "Juniper" a 1 year old healthy, spayed hound/terrier mix. Playful & friendly.

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