



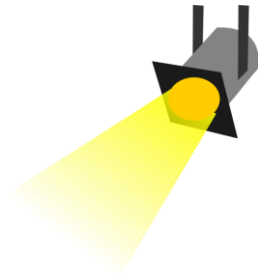
City Manager's

6/21/2019

WEEK-IN-REVIEW

in the

Spotlight



City Drones Take Flight

Announcing, the City's new drone program! The City has three drones and a dedicated team overseeing the program and this new technology that will be used for various projects, reducing costs and helping the City be more efficient. Drones are able to inspect City properties, capture images and video in Town Center or City-owned parks, and assist in post-hurricane or other disasters. For more information, see the attached news release or visit the City's website at

<https://www.palmcoastgov.com/newsroom/2019/6/19/4412/new-palm-coast-drone-program-takes-flight-creating-efficiency-and-reducing-costs>.



City Drone on a Landing Pad

Announcements



*Friday, June 21, 8pm
Palm Coast Aquatics Center*

Independence Day Celebration ~ Fireworks in the Park

*Family Night begins at 6pm with music, games, face painting & more,
Patriotic Ceremony begins at 7pm, with Honor Guard, Band, a reading of the Declaration
of Independence & more,
Fireworks in the Park begins at 9pm*



*Friday, July 12, 8:45pm
Central Park in Town Center*



*Tuesday, July 16, 5pm
Central Park in Town Center*

Next Week:

- *Tuesday, June 25, City Council Workshop, 9am, City Hall – Community Wing*
- *Thursday, June 27, Beautification and Environmental Advisory committee, 5pm City Hall – Community Wing*

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

News Releases

- Appointments / Promotions at City Hall
 - City's new drone program
 - Boil Water Notice
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Communications & Marketing

This week the team worked on shooting scenes for the upcoming Palm Coast Connect video promo as well as behind the scenes shots for a special social media video. Work is also being produced on another video that will show citizens the different features of Palm Coast Connect. Additional social media posts were also published highlighting Palm Coast Connect and the special Fireworks in the Park parking pass magnet promotion. The magnet promotion allows Palm Coast Connect account holders to request a magnet by reporting a concern. Customer service then lets the citizen know to pick their pass up at City Hall. This promotion is while supplies last. This promotional social media post also happens to be our post of the week. The post reached more than 6,000 people, with 31 reactions, 10 comments, and 31 shares. An E-blast was delivered to the many residents who subscribe to the City email account providing information about Palm Coast Connect.

Our team also worked with media outlets from Orlando up to Jacksonville on a variety of topics within the City. First, The Daytona Beach News-Journal wrote an article about Debbie Streichsbier being promoted to HR following a news release on Monday. That can be viewed here: <https://bit.ly/2Y1byWt>. Secondly, on Tuesday, we sent out a news release on Jason DeLorenzo and Ray Tyner and their appointments in the organization. That story was picked up by The Observer, view it here <https://bit.ly/2Xnz8j7>, and also the News-Journal which can be viewed here <https://bit.ly/2Ktcsb9>. And finally, our team sent out a very detailed news release on the City's new drone program with in-house produced photos and video for media to use, as well as offering a media opportunity on Thursday to get video of a drone project. Orlando TV Station Central Florida News 13 sent a reporter to do a story on the program and interviewed two employees about its impact for departments and their projects. The reporter went live in front of City Hall during the Thursday 5:30 p.m. to deliver the story to viewers. WJXT ch. 4 in Jacksonville aired our video that we provided in the news release during the 6 p.m. and 11 p.m. newscasts. The News-Journal posted a story on the program, view it here <https://bit.ly/31PU3Lp>. The Observer also published a story, view it here <https://bit.ly/2N3pZs4>. WNZF also interviewed IT's Austin Kladke who is the drone program leader for their news talk show. A fourth release was also sent out regarding a boil water notice.

The Brand Plus team met this week to discuss a few items. On the agenda included GIS rebranding, a Wellness Team cooking challenge game, and social media card for the city. These items were introduced for the first time to the team. Next, team members will develop how to proceed on these ideas with creative solutions to move the projects forward.

The August newsletter is also in the works. Several articles were completed this week for it and the team will continue to get this project completed in the coming days.

Our team also worked on some graphic design to create the mascot visual for the Intracoastal Waterway Cleanup.

City Clerk

- Processed 8 public records requests.
- Processed 2 litigation documents.
- Prepared and processed 84 documents for recording.
- Prepared 1 proclamation.
- Prepared and posted 1 agenda and 2 sets of approved meeting minutes to the Web.
- Processed 6 resolutions.



Purchasing Division

Status	Ref. #	Project
Pending	RFSQ-CD-19-56 /	
Pending	ITB-CD-19-56	Palm Harbor Golf Clubhouse Upgrades Project
Pending	ITB-UT-19-66	Utility Supplies - Price Agreement
Open	RFS-IT-19-50	A P3 (Public-Private-Partnership) for use of a City-Owned Fiber-Optic Network
Open	ITB-CD-19-03	Equip Well SW-43R and Raw Water Main
Open	RFSQ-CD-19-67 /	
Open	ITB-CD-19-67	Revised F- Section Concrete Ditch Removal
Open	RFP-CD-19-60	City-Wide Electrical Installation and Repair Services
Evaluating	RFSQ-CD-19-53 /	
Evaluating	ITB-CD-19-53	Indian Trails Sports Complex Improvements
Evaluating	RFQ-HR-19-52	Temporary Labor Services
Reopened	RFSQ-CD-19-55 /	
Completed	ITB-CD-19-55	Belle Terre Culvert Replacement
Completed	ITB-CD-19-54	Stormwater Utility Site Maintenance

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 – 16 Consulting Sessions, 58 Consulting Hours
- Total for Month – 27 Consulting Sessions, 99 Consulting Hours

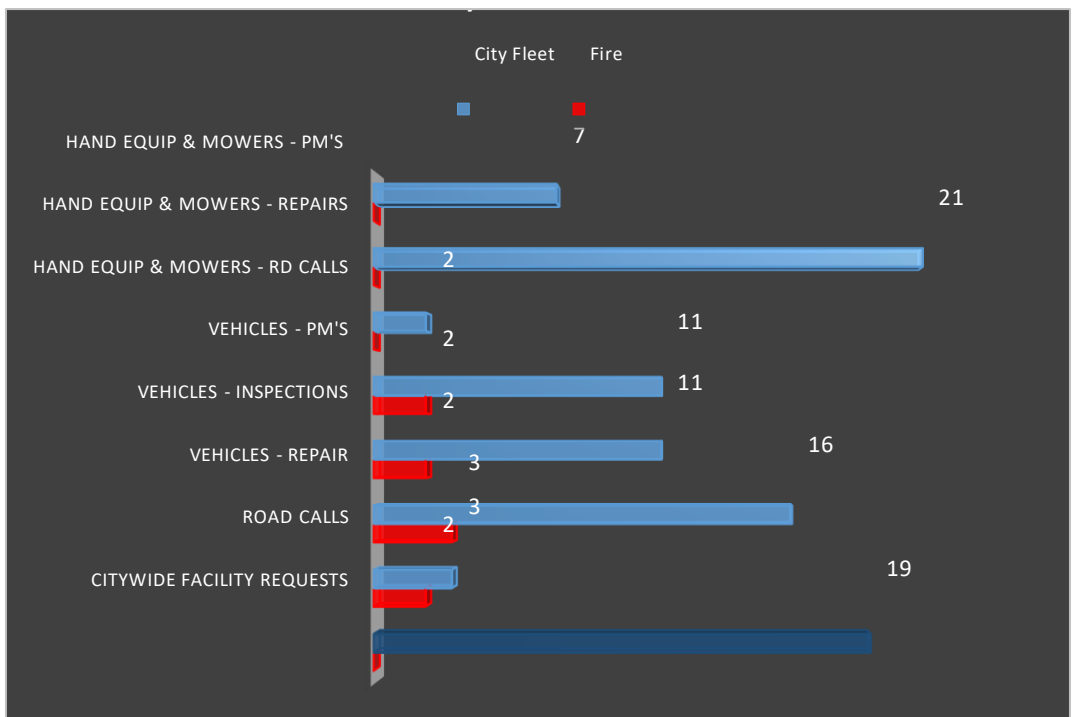
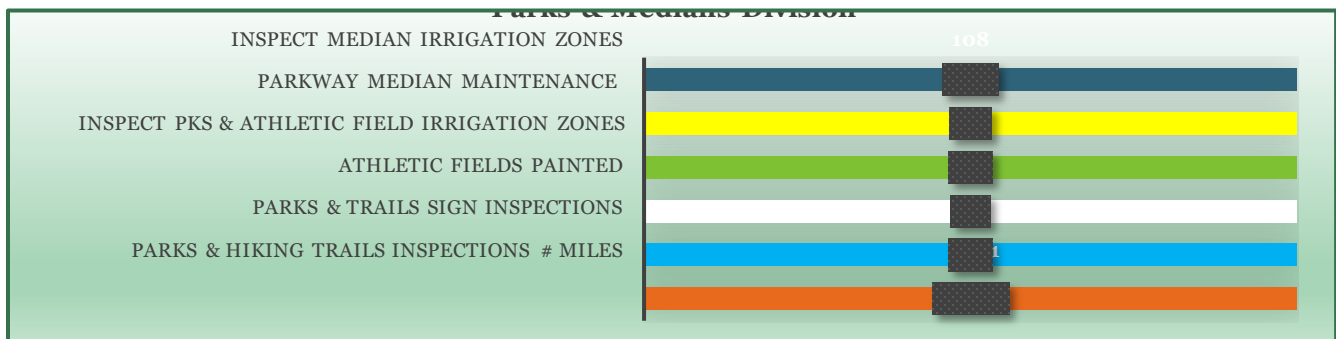
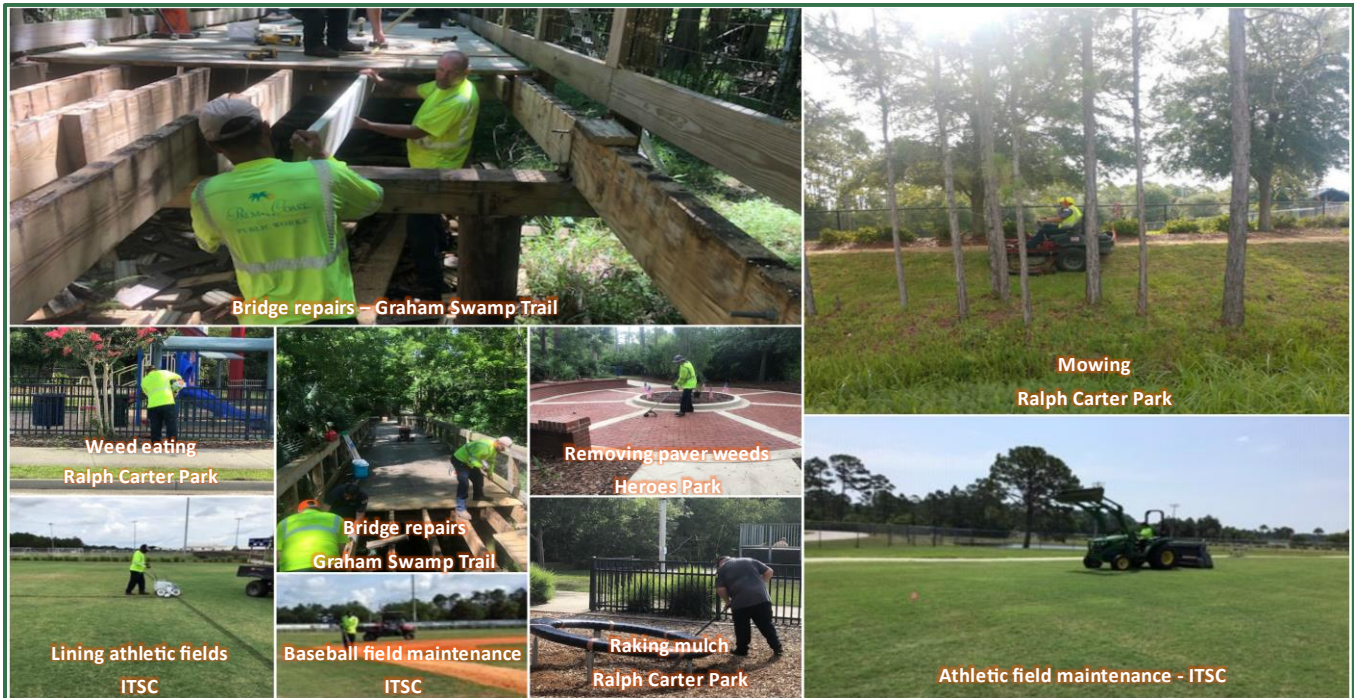
NEW PALM COAST COMMERCIAL BUSINESSES

- Rentaland LLC – 5800 E. Hwy 100 – Rentals
- Gilman's Development Corp – 4873 Palm Coast Pkwy – Building Contractor

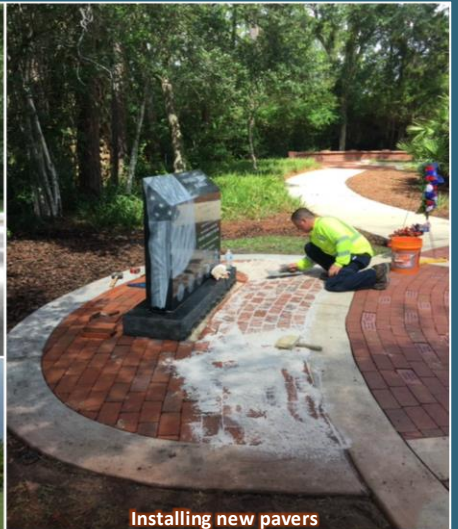
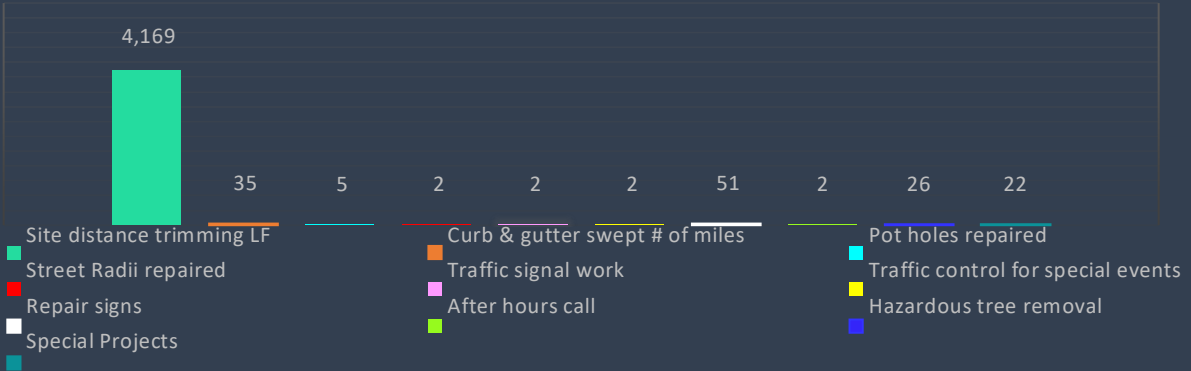
NEW PALM COAST HOME BASED BUSINESSES

- Man on Call – Fence Contractor
- Ann Rain – Photography/Video
- Juliano Connections LLC – Unclassified Personal Service
- Smart Water Tech LLC – Unclassified Personal Service
- AMS Lawn Mowing Services – Landscape Service

PUBLIC WORKS



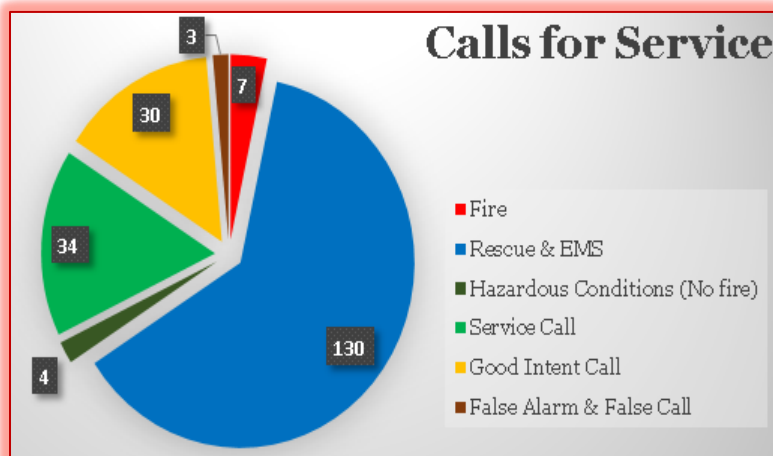
Streets Division



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – Stephen Flanagan, Director

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

Commercial Permits Applied			
18 Florida Park Drive - Holland Park	Renovation bathrooms	BBI Construction Management	\$105,890
Occupancy Permits Issued			
1 Florida Park Drive S Building 2	Palm Coast Garage Doors	Amanda and Victor Noyes	
Development Applications			
Technical Site Plan Tier 3	Belle Site Storage	WM. Hockensmith	
Subdivision Preliminary Plat	Easthampton	Paul Perry Hutchinson	
Technical Site Plan Tier 1	Flagler Animal Hospital Expansion	Roger W. Strcula	
Subdivision Nonstatutory	Longfellow Drive Lot Split	Robert Ayres	
Subdivision Nonstatutory	United Methodist Church Lot Split	Larry Torino	
Technical Site Plan Tier 1	Sawmill Amenity Center	Mike Bowles	
Technical Site Plan Tier 1	Culver's at Town Center	Manila Partners Properties LLC	
Construction value improvements from October 1, 2018 to date			\$230,717,469
Residential Single Family / Duplex Residences			25



GUIDANCE

Tip of the Month:

Lightning Safety – Florida residents are familiar with why our State is considered the lightning capital of the nation: the afternoon thunderstorm. Tall cumulus, dark clouds may be one of the first signs of a developing thunderstorm. Be aware of thunderstorm watches and warnings issued for your area. Lightning, which can strike as far as 10 miles away, is about the distance you can hear thunder.

PSA – "Summer Safety – The Weather Channel!"

<http://bit.ly/Lightning19>

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	Full
August 10th	10 openings

Healthcare Provider:

July 27th	6 openings
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DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES

Volunteer Firefighter Intern applicants and students have 18 Ride Along hours this week.

This week we celebrated Battalion Chief Mark Valentik's retirement after 25 years of faithful and honorable service to the City of Palm Coast. We continued the line of succession with the next round of promotions, including the hiring of intern Joshua Lamont. We continue to train interns and prepare them for their pathway to being career firefighters.

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.



Firefighter Brandon Davis working on his hose pull in anticipation for the 12-month rookie book test

HIGHLIGHTS

Chief Mark Valentik Retires

Palm Coast Firefighters past, present & future joined together to celebrate Battalion Chief Mark Valentik. He completed his final shift after 25 years of service to the Palm Coast Fire Department. We wish Chief Valentik much happiness and enjoyment in his retirement. We will miss him very much! Go Bears!

The Line of Succession Continues

With Chief Mark Valentik's retirement, we continued the line of succession with the following promotions:

Captain Gary Potter, Battalion Chief

Driver Engineer Mike Chandley, Lieutenant

Firefighter Jeremy Barton, Driver Engineer

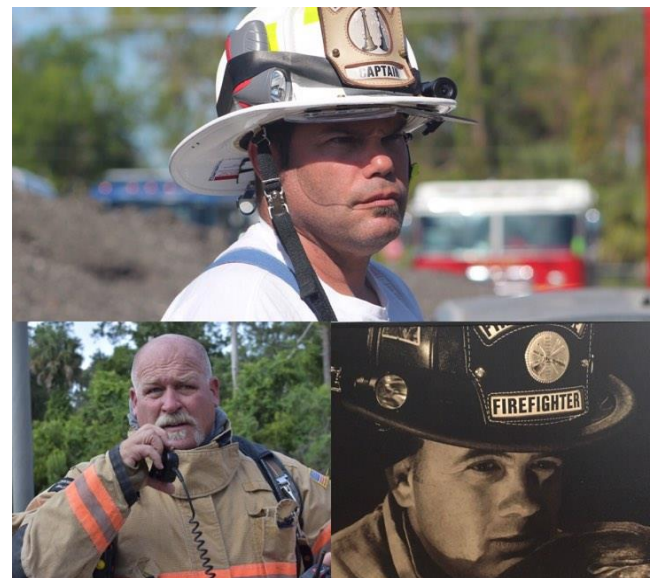
Intern Joshua Lamont, Firefighter-EMT

Station Logos

The Palm Coast Fire Department is excited to release our new station logos! These logos were designed by the crews to capture the quintessential essence of their station. These logos will be affixed to the rear of the apparatus and soon station t-shirts. This week we are proud to present to you – Station 21 – The Heart of the City!



After 25 years of service, Chief Valentik has earned his retirement Axe from Local 4807



Top: Chief Gary Potter
Bottom: Lt. Chandley & DE Barton

#FireTruckFriday

Station 21 New Logo




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Parks & Recreation – Lauren Johnston, Interim Director

We hosted our annual World's Largest Swim Lesson this week. The World's Largest Swimming Lesson™, created by the World Waterpark Association in 2010, is a global public relations event supported by aquatic facilities, waterparks, YMCA's, etc. Our summer campers joined us to celebrate the 10th Anniversary of this important event, which serves to raise awareness of water safety and the importance of swim lessons.

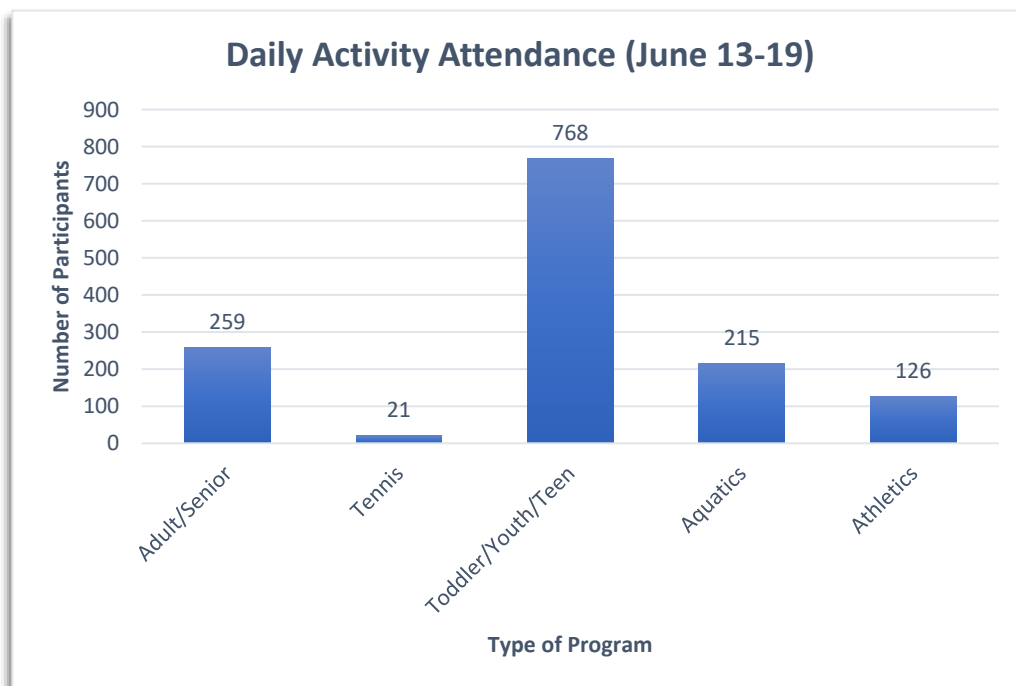
Our campers continue to have a fun summer! Fun in the Sun Summer Camp enjoyed pool days, participating in the World's Largest Swim Lesson, a field trip to the Jacksonville Zoo, and an Awesome Art project. Our Teen Adventure Camp participants took trips to Daytona Ice Arena, Blue Spring State Park, Surfstream, and Daytona Lagoon. They also had a competitive nerf battle with Ultimate Battle Zone Sports, Inc.

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
Ballroom Dance Classes
Line Dancing
West Coast Swing
A Day at the Movies
Discover Trip
Learn the Basics of Your Computer

Health & Wellness

Yoga for All & Gentle Yoga
REFIT® Family Fitness

Aquatics

Palm Coast Masters Swim
Palm Coast Youth Swim Team
Aqua Zumba®
Water Aerobics
Fitness on the Water
Kid's Kayaking Class
Mermaid Class
Swim Lessons
Summer Swim Fitness Challenge
World's Largest Swim Lesson

Athletics

Adult Basketball League
Open Pickleball
Beginner's Pickleball

Tennis - Adults

Cardio, Morning Blast, Doubles Skills, &
Round Robins

Tennis - Youth

Junior Development
A's & Aces
Tennis Tots
Tennis Summer Camp

Toddler/Youth/Teen

Teen Mountain Biking
Fun in the Sun Camp
Munchkin Mini-Camp
Teen Adventure Camp
Golf Summer Camp

Special Events

Movies in the Park



Summer Camp Art Project



World's Largest Swim Lesson

COMING UP

July 3 – Fireworks in the Park

July 12 – Movies in the Park

July 20 – Youth Fishing Derby

July 27 – Tour de Palm Coast

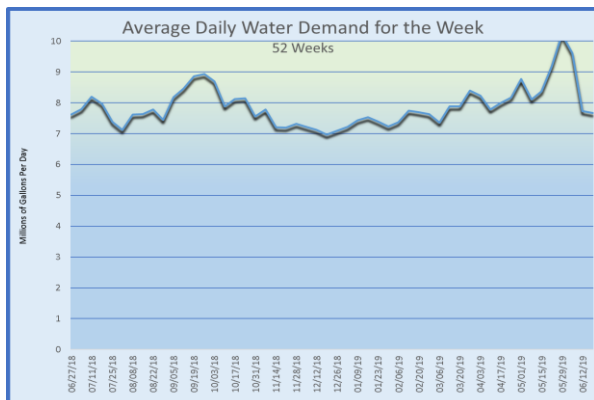
Aug. 2 – Summer Art Exhibition and Show

Sept. 6-15 – Palm Coast & the Flagler Beaches Senior Games

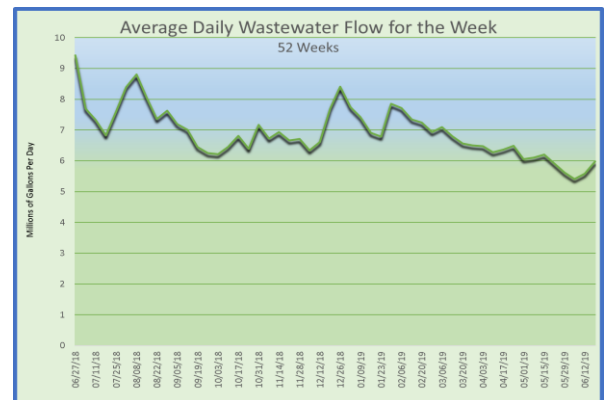
Utility – Richard Adams, Director

6-20-2019

- The average water demand for the week was 7.671 million gallons per day.
- The average wastewater flow for the week was 5.979 million gallons per day.
- Water Distribution crews installed 14 new water meters.
- There are 150 new meter installations pending with 31 lots cleared and an average installation time of 3 weeks from site ready.
- Wastewater Operations installed 6 new PEP tanks and replaced 1 PEP tank.
- There are 27 new PEP tanks pending. Currently all new tanks are being installed within 10 days of site ready.
- There were 50 calls after hours.
- Water Distribution crews completed 13 meter pit adjustments/replacements, repaired 3 service lines, 4 manifolds and tested and repaired 115 backflow preventers.
- Wastewater crews replaced 38 PEP pumps, 7 ball valves and 7 boxes, 23 floats and 12 cleanout caps, 2 service laterals, 3 back lids and repaired 1 gravity main. Crews also installed 6 risers, 6 PEP pump assemblies and 6 PEP electric assemblies. Inspected via CCTV 7,251 feet of gravity sewer and 26 manholes.
- Wastewater Operations installed new sewer service for pending Stormwater portable building located on Utility Drive.
- Wastewater Operations and S.E. Cline completed three sewer connections, as part of the PEP System upgrades located in the R Section. Wastewater Operations also completed Pump Station 34-1 site improvements.
- On June 19th, staff from Water Distribution repaired a water main valve leak located on Campbell Court. Ten homes were issued a precautionary boil water notice for 48 hours until lab samples confirmed the water was safe to drink.



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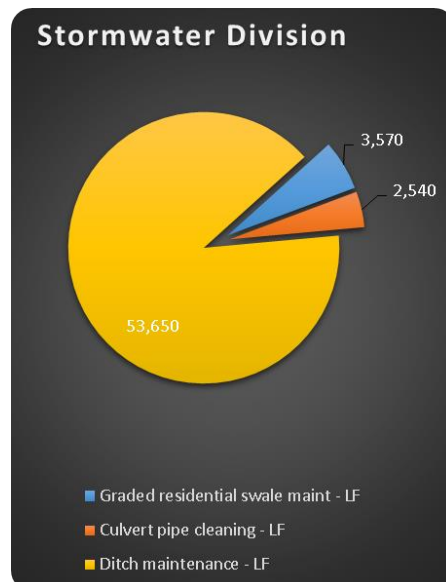
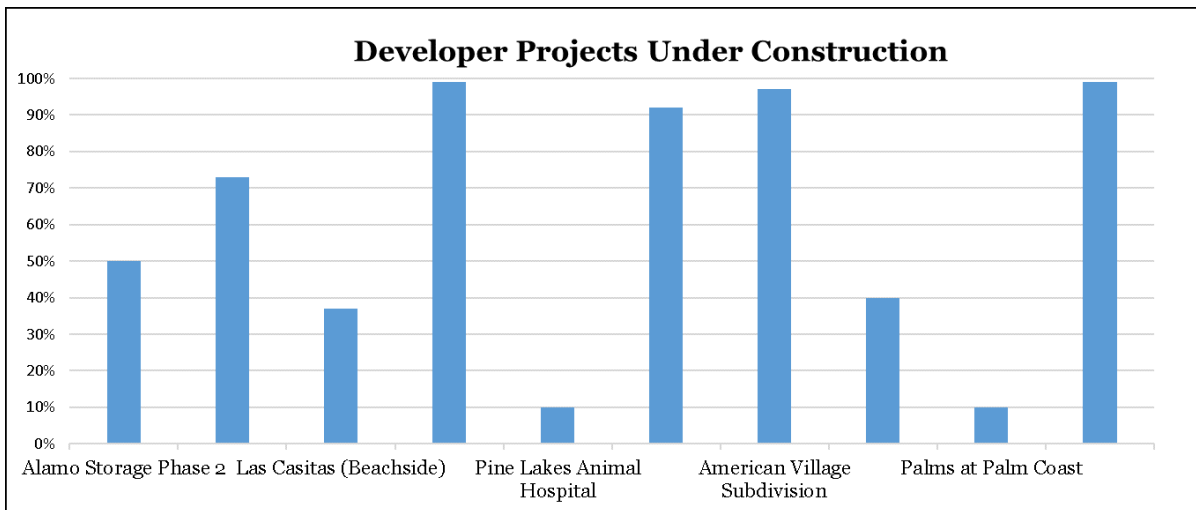
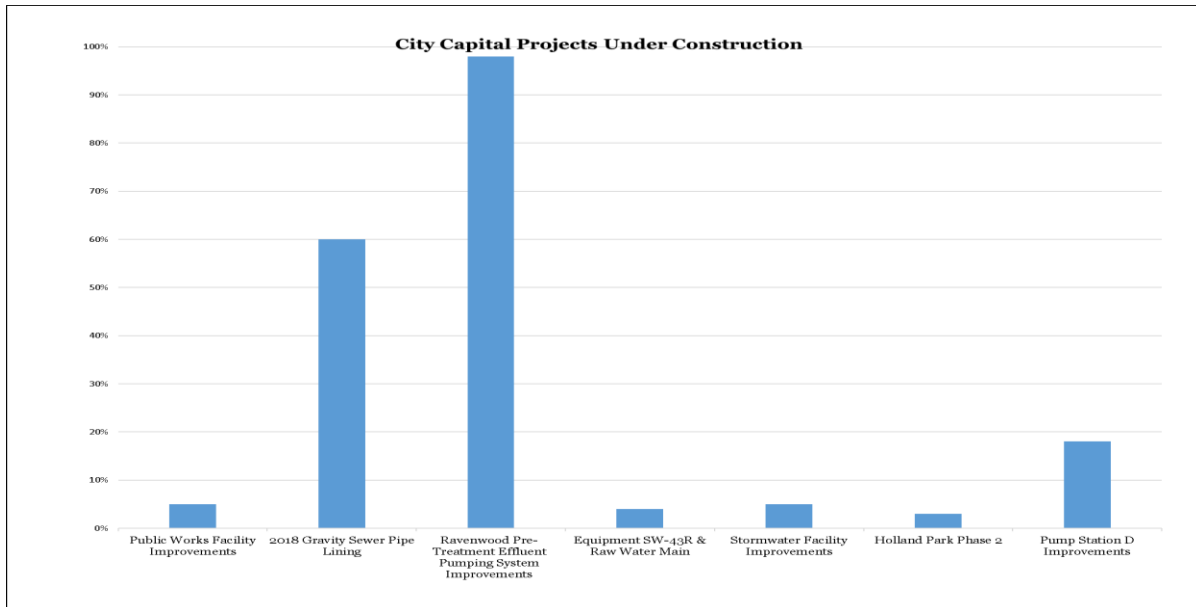
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HIGHLIGHTS WATER OPERATIONS

- On June 19th, the water operations maintenance technicians removed the #1 softening basin's gear drive unit that operates the mixing and rotating rake assemblies at Water Treatment Plant #1. The gearbox reliability is critical to the productivity of the overall plant operation. The original gear drive assembly was installed in 1977 and was overhauled in 2013. Staff worked with a contractor to remove the unit and send it to the shop for complete disassembly, inspection and repair. This will extend the life the equipment and ensure reliability and prevent total failure.



STORMWATER & ENGINEERING – Carl Cote, Director



Spotlight Projects

New Menzi Muck Excavator –

This is an amphibious excavator that can operate on uneven terrain or in up to 6ft of water. It uses legs with wheels on them (4 wheel drive) instead of tracks that move independently of one another.

We use this machine to access hard to reach stormwater areas for maintenance that would otherwise be impossible to reach using conventional equipment.



Accepting the Menzi Muck Excavator

Fun Fact - This type of excavator is commonly called a “spider excavator” because it can walk like a spider



Menzi Truck
R Section



Pipe Replacement
Bennet and Beachway



Improving Flow to the
canal
B Section

PHOTO 1: Pictured is Jason DeLorenzo.

PHOTO 2: Pictured is Ray Tyner.



NEWS RELEASE – City of Palm Coast

Contact: Kimberly Norman, Public Relations Associate

386-986-3717

June 18, 2019

City of Palm Coast announces personnel appointments

Palm Coast – The City of Palm Coast announces two personnel appointments aimed at promoting quality development and identifying opportunities and strategies that will pave the way for a more business and customer friendly culture while honoring the City's high standards for the built environment and our exceptional quality of life.

Jason DeLorenzo, a former City Council member from 2011-2016, is being appointed to the role of Chief Development Officer. He will join the City with a wealth of experience in working with public and private organizations in the home building and land development arenas. DeLorenzo will be tasked with rebranding our building and permitting services, along with reworking our processes and our approach to engaging citizens and customers.

City Manager Matthew Morton said, "Jason not only brings the skills and ability to guide us through the challenges of today, but the vision and positive attitude to help us close the gaps of tomorrow."

Also, we are announcing the appointment of Ray Tyner to the new role of Deputy Chief Development Officer. Tyner has been with the City for 17 years, most recently as a Planning Manager responsible for growth management and overseeing and facilitating development applications.

"Ray has made great contributions to the City and is ready for the new challenge of an expanded role that is both tactically focused and aligns with his passion for organizational improvement and public service," Morton said. "I believe this leadership team will help move the Community Development Department to next level and help our customers see us truly as partners."

Tyner joined the City in 2002 as the City's first Environmental Planner. From there, he was promoted to Senior Environmental Planner and in 2005, he was promoted once again to Planning Manager.

DeLorenzo and Tyner both begin their new roles on July 8th.

PHOTO: Pictured is Human Resources Director Debbie Streichsbier.



NEWS RELEASE – City of Palm Coast

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

June 17, 2019

City of Palm Coast promotes Debbie Streichsbier to HR Director

Palm Coast – City of Palm Coast HR & Learning Manager Debbie Streichsbier is being promoted to the permanent position of Human Resources Director.

City Manager Matthew Morton believes promoting Streichsbier will add a highly-skilled manager to lead the team charged with fostering one of our greatest assets – our employees.

“Debbie brings a wealth of leadership and valuable human resources experience to this role in addition to understanding the vital importance of staff connection,” Morton said. “With her in the driver’s seat, this will help the department move forward and modernize our approach.”

Streichsbier has worked for the City for the past four and a half years. She was hired as a Compensation Analyst in December of 2014. From there, her position was reclassified to Compensation and Training Manager in 2017 and then reclassified again this past April to HR and Learning Manager.

Within the organization, Streichsbier is involved with several teams that make decisions and lead projects throughout the City. Those include the Innovation Team, FEST (Festival Event SERT Team), and ICE (Internal Control Enforcement) along with a few others.

Streichsbier earned her bachelor’s degree in Business Administration in 2018 from Baker College. She also belongs to several professional organizations such as CPN (Compensation Professional Network), Retail Management Executive Group, International Human Resource Development Professionals and HR Career Networking Group.

PHOTOS: Link: <http://www.palmcoastgov.com/filesare/sent/5b509f73-82c2-4d60-8d67-656b2f6308fc>

Drone Photos: The two photos show what one of the City drones looks like on the landing pad.

Community Center Before & After: The two photos of the Community Center show imagery pre-drone. The after photo shows the images in high resolution captured by the drone.

B-ROLL: The link will take you to a video with clips of GIS Specialist Austin Kladke operating a drone, osprey monitoring (explanation detailed below), inspection of a City-owned water tower to see what cellular equipment existed there, and captured video of a ditch in the W section that has been cleared out by Stormwater to increase the flow of water through it.

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NEWS RELEASE – City of Palm Coast

Contact: Kimberly Norman, Public Relations Associate

386-986-3717

June 19, 2019

New Palm Coast drone program takes flight, creating efficiency and reducing costs

Palm Coast – The City of Palm Coast's new drone program takes flight! After more than a year of planning, preparing and training, the City has three drones and a dedicated team overseeing the program where this new technology will be used for various projects helping operations be more efficient and reduce costs.

The drones will be used in the departments of Information Technology; Planning; Communications and Marketing; Utility; Construction Management and Engineering; Building; and eventually the Fire Department. Some of the projects include mapping City property accurately, performing inspections, creating promotional video content, and surveying damage following weather emergencies. The drones have both video and image recording abilities and can capture high resolution imagery from high up in the air. The drone dedicated for the Fire Department has thermal capabilities that will be used to monitor structure fires and brush fires.

"This is groundbreaking technology for the City at a time when we are on the cusp of great things," said Palm Coast Mayor Milissa Holland. "We are at an important point in our growth to make wise investments in our technology where the benefits will be realized throughout the community in the months and years to come."

For the first official drone project, the environmental experts in Community Development asked if a drone could inspect a tower at 22 Utility Drive out of concern a nest may be active and that there could be osprey eggs or young in it. By using a drone to inspect the nest, the City was able to determine that the nest was not active and that there were no eggs or young present at initial inspection. The drone operator took great caution to utilize the drone's high resolution camera to confirm the presence of adults and/or young from a safe distance to minimize disturbance. City field crews continued to monitor it from the ground and with additional drone inspections and have since spotted an osprey visiting the nest, but are taking the appropriate

precautions to ensure its safety and welfare as construction on the two projects continue. Since the drone was available to inspect the nest, it saved the City between \$1500 - \$2000 in expert monitoring costs that the City did not need to request. For reference, the drone cost approximately \$1800 with all accessory equipment – so this has already paid for itself.

Some of the upcoming drone projects include capturing images and video in Town Center, the City-owned parks, City-sponsored events, and post-hurricane or other disaster images to aid in the cleanup and rescue efforts.

“The drone project perfectly synergizes into the City’s smart city and innovation efforts,” said Holland. “The core definition of a smart city means working more efficiently, with better results, and trackable by data. These drones offer information achieving just that.”

GIS Specialist Austin Kladke brought the idea of drones to City management in 2018 after realizing a need for up-to-date, high resolution imagery that was becoming a common request from many of our departments. Kladke is a member of the GIS (Geographic Information Systems) Division within the Information Technology Department and works with satellite imagery and geographic data on a daily basis. After getting the green light from the City Council, he assembled a diverse team of City employees to create the drone team and program.

“Using drones to capture high resolution imagery greatly enhances the division’s available information sources and helps increase efficiency within the division and throughout the organization,” Kladke said. “We are using the imagery to help our project managers and contractors make well-informed decisions about what exists where and to keep management up-to-date about the progress of projects throughout the City.

The initial cost of the program was \$8000 and the annual cost in the coming years will be between \$4500 - \$6000, for insurance, repairs, batteries, or any other maintenance.

As of now, three employees within the City have the appropriate qualifications to operate the drones. These employees have licenses as required by local, state, and federal regulations, received training through internal and external training opportunities and certification through the Federal Aviation Administration. The protocol when operating drones is to only fly on public property. At City Hall, since it is within five miles of the airport, operators must notify the Flagler Executive Airport for clearance to fly. Drones can only be legally flown up to 400 feet in the air and during normal operational daylight hours. The City has made sure that all of the drones are insured, registered with the FAA, and will be flown safely. In fact, a Drone Code of Conduct was created in order to ensure that the drones will be used properly by City employees, and that citizen privacy will be respected. To view the Drone Code of Conduct click here:

<http://www.palmcoastgov.com/files/share/sent/70cf4ef4-3f74-4eb5-912e-0f7f692ad673>

The next steps in this program are to provide other employees with the proper training so that they can pass the required FAA Part 107 exam and officially become licensed drone pilots, allowing them to commercially fly for the City.



NEWS RELEASE – City of Palm Coast

Contact: Tyler Jarnagin, Digital Media Associate

386-986-3738

June 19, 2019

Precautionary Boil Water Notice: Campbell Court, Palm Coast, FL 32137

Palm Coast – Due to the loss of pressure in portions of the water distribution system, the City of Palm Coast has issued a precautionary boil water notice for Campbell Court, Palm Coast. A total of 10 houses are affected.

As a result of this loss of pressure, the bacteriological quality of water in this part of the system is questionable. Accordingly, the affected residents have been notified.

We recommend that all water used in the affected areas for consumption and cooking purposes be boiled at a rolling boil for a minimum of one minute until further notice. As an alternative, bottled water may be used.

Work to repair this situation started at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, June 19.

The City of Palm Coast will flush the affected lines and collect two consecutive days of bacteriological samples as soon as all flushing and disinfection is completed.

This is a precautionary measure to ensure that the water meets all safe drinking water standards. The notice will remain in effect until satisfactory results from bacteriological samples are received. At that time, the boil water notice will be rescinded and the affected customers will be notified.

The City of Palm Coast appreciates the patience and cooperation of the public during this important Utility project.

For more information, call Customer Service at 386-986-2360.



279 Cats

84 Dogs

2 Rabbits

1
Ferret

2 Guinea Pigs

Animals ready for homes

Dog Obedience Training and Why It's Important.

Proper dog obedience training is essential to preventing canine behavioral problems. Obedience training not only makes your dog calmer and more respectful of your space, but it can teach your dog new tricks, convenient skills or just simple things like pooping in the place that you wanted them to. A dog who never receives obedience training is more likely to become unpredictable, aggressive and uncontrollable.

Dog obedience training also helps with socialization. Learning how to respond to other dogs, and what is acceptable and not acceptable in dog language is an essential life lesson they need to understand and know if they are to get along with other dogs. If your dog does not get out a great deal (with family and friends, or to events etc.) this is still important. Your dog will encounter other dogs on everyday occasions such as walks, appointments at the veterinary clinic and if they go into a kennel or boarding.

A well-trained dog, under supervision, is safer to have around family and friends, and is at a lower risk to himself than an uncontrollable dog. However, remember at the end of the day animals will be animals, and animals are sometimes unpredictable. A dog that comes back when it is called, in the face of dangerous situations (e.g. where they could get hit by a car) has an obviously positive impact on its own welfare.

Any dogs adopted or being fostered, who have been at the Flagler Humane Society for over 90 days we offer 3 free training sessions with our dog trainer specialist.

Pet of the Week



Bailey



Dixie

Bailey & Dixie

Bailey & Dixie - bonded can only be adopted together - Owner had fallen on hard times and was no longer able to care for them. Bailey is a 5 year old male neutered-Chihuahua mix and Dixie is a 4 year old spayed female-pit bull mix.

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