

Moratorium Halts Development

City Council has approved a six-month moratorium on major work on properties adjacent to the ocean and marsh critical lines (the final vote was scheduled for May 30th, after the *Sandspur* went to press, but Council approval was likely).

Council defined the initiative this way: A MORATORIUM ON THE SUBDIVISION OF PROPERTY, SITE PLAN REVIEW, AND ISSUANCE OF PERMITS FOR THE NEW CONSTRUCTION OF, OR SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENTS TO, PRIMARY STRUCTURES ON PROPERTIES ADJACENT TO CRITICAL AREAS AS DEFINED BY THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN AND COASTAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT.

The Council ordinance lists six “whereases” explaining the action, citing several recent studies, storms, flooding, and beach erosion, as well as the commitment the City made to the Corps of Engineers to prevent “unwise development” which would contribute to beach erosion, in exchange for Federal funds to renourish the beach periodically. Taken together, the explanations add up to “we’ve got to *do* something.” The focus on the marsh as well as the beach is an outcome of the city’s recent Sea Level Rise Adaptation Report, which emphasized actions which can be taken throughout the island to make Folly more resilient in the face of rising waters.

Mayor Tim Goodwin puts it this way: “The moratorium will give the Planning Commission a pause and chance to work on making our zoning rules and regulations better for the environment, the residents, and the beach.”

The ordinance bars plat approvals, subdivision approvals, site plan reviews, or building permits for structures on properties adjacent to the OCRM (Office of Coastal Resource Management) critical lines. Projects which are in the approval process are exempt from the moratorium, which is effective May 30th. Properties located 20 feet or more from the critical line are exempt. ONLY PROPERTIES ADJACENT TO THE OCEAN OR MARSH CRITICAL LINES ARE AFFECTED, and only new construction or substantial improvements in primary structures are barred.

The Planning Commission and the Zoning Administrator are charged with developing new land use regulations affecting the critical lines by November 30th, when the moratorium expires. That’s a daunting task. In the past, new requirements like setbacks from the property line have provoked storms of protest from some affected owners.

It may seem as though Folly Island is fully developed, but the moratorium may still have a major impact. For instance, sale of a five-acre undeveloped tract on the Folly River which is on the market may be stalled until new land use regulations are defined. The continuing process of replacing old cottages with large rental houses, or renovating old houses, will be paused.

Planning Commission Chair LaJuan Kennedy says the Commission will work hard to meet the six-month deadline. She says it’s a complex challenge. There are State requirements, OCRM requirements, and City requirements which impact development near the critical lines.

Council Proposes 20 mph Speed Limit

City Council has voted to ask the state Department of Transportation (DOT) to reduce the speed limit on Folly Beach from 30 MPH to 20 mph. Almost all roads on Folly Beach are State roads, and changing the speed limit requires state approval.

The City asked DOT to reduce the speed limit last year, but the State would not consider the request without a traffic study showing current speed limits, collision data and other factors for each road. The City brought in an engineer to conduct the study.

The resolution brought to Council proposed a 20-mph limit on Center street, and 25 mph for the rest of the island. Council amended that to 20 mph for the whole island. Numerous speakers supported the proposal. Parents of young children made a strong showing.

VOTE TUESDAY JUNE 12TH

7 AM-7 PM. PARTY PRIMARY ELECTIONS. RUN-OFFS TUESDAY, JUNE 26TH. FOLLY 1 AND 2 PRECINCTS VOTE AT BAPTIST FELLOWSHIP HALL. JAMES ISLAND 1A AND 1B PRECINCTS VOTE AT JAMES ISLAND ELEMENTARY. BRING DRIVER’S LICENSE, PICTURE VOTER REGISTRATION, U.S. PASSPORT, DMV ID, OR PICTURE MILITARY ID.

See sample ballots on page 2.

Time to Vote Again

It's back to the polls for Folly Beach voters, just two months after the municipal elections. This time, it's party primaries for county, state and Federal offices. The election is Tuesday, June 12th from 7 am-7 pm. If there's a run-off, it will be Tuesday, June 26th.



South Carolina does not have registration by party, so you can vote in either primary. However, you can only vote in a run-off for the party you selected for the primary.

Voters in precincts Folly 1 and Folly 2 vote at the Baptist Fellowship Hall at Center and West Indian. Folly Beach voters in James Island 1A and 1B precincts vote at James Island Elementary School.

Here are the ballots you'll find on the machine. Candidates not listed on these ballots don't face a primary challenge.

Democratic Ballot

Governor

Vote for One

Phil Noble
James Smith
Marguerite Willis

U.S. House of Representatives

District 1

Vote for One

Joe Cunningham
Toby Smith

Probate Judge

Vote for One

Stephanie Ganaway Pasley
Kelsey Willey

Register of Deeds

Vote for One

Patrick H. Bell
Michael Miller

Democratic Advisory Questions

Do you support passing a state law allowing doctors to prescribe medical marijuana to patients?

Yes No

Do you support passing a state law requiring the governor of South Carolina to accept all federal revenues offered to support Medicaid and Medicaid expansion efforts in the state?

Yes No

Republican Ballot

Governor

Vote for One

Kevin Bryant
John Yancey McGill
Henry McMaster
Catherine Templeton
John Warren

Secretary of State

Vote for One

Nelson Faerber
Mark Hammond
Joshua Putnam
Kerry Wood

Attorney General

Vote for One

Todd Atwater
William D. Herlong
Alan Wilson

U.S. House of Representatives

District 1

Vote for One

Katie Arrington
Dimitri Cherny
Mark Sanford

County Council

District 9

Vote for One

Jenny Costa Honeycutt
Joe Qualey

Register of Deeds

Vote for One

Dan Gregory
Tom Hartnett

Republican Advisory Questions

Do you believe that voters should have the option to choose to affiliate with a political party when they register to vote or change their voter registration in South Carolina?

Yes No

Do you believe that South Carolina's tax code should be brought into conformity with the new Trump tax cuts in the federal tax code for maximum simplification and to lower the overall tax burden on South Carolina taxpayers and businesses?

Yes No

Clubs and Organizations

Civic Club

Summer will be bursting onto the scene this month and June is such a great month for the Civic Club. On Tuesday, June 19th from 5-7 pm, we will host our annual Folly River Park community picnic. For the third year we will partner with Parks and Recreation to kick off the Folly Family Fun Nights summer series. Hot dogs and hamburgers will be provided. We need side dishes, so please email, call or text, letting us know what you plan to bring.

We are still in need of a coordinator(s) for the Halloween Carnival. This event has been hosted by the Civic Club for more than 40 years. If you have any interest in leading this effort and want to learn more about it, please call me or another board member.

After the picnic, we take a summer break. Our next general membership meeting will be Tuesday, August 21st. I look forward to seeing you there. Have a safe summer.

Deana Dockery (843) 276-9878
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Home and Garden Club

June's Yard of the Month recipient is 346 Shadow Race Lane, home of Surrey White and Leah Gant. Both were brought up in Charleston. Surrey selected this location 12 years ago and the landscaping has been personalized by Leah during her two years on Shadow Race. She has always been a yard person, inheriting her mother's gardening gene.

Natural flagstone steps were recently added, leading guests through Saint Augustine grass to their entry. Old live oaks flank the front porch, with sago palms, hydrangea and tractor seat below. Lavender plumbago, flax lily and purple lantana bring color along with a holly tree. Adorning the porch are Boston ferns and a basket replete with red mop head begonias and ivy.

Far right, a procession of windmill palms, tall palmettos, bamboo and, a favorite of the marsh deer, a fig tree hover above lorapetulum and red knockout roses. Yews, butterfly bushes, white gardenias and blue plumbago stand near their home. Always conscious of the wildlife, Leah has yellow hibiscus with daily blooms appetizing to deer and tubular pink salvias hosting hummingbirds in their baskets.

Tall palmettos guard the drive on the left with newly planted dwarf white roses, which grow out and are sun- and saltwater-resistant below. A weathered cedar tree hosts many birds,

painted buntings loving the millet seed offered. Assorted colors of hydrangeas grace this area. Leah uses crushed eggshells to produce red blooms while cigarette ashes and coffee grounds facilitate pink and blue.

Leah enjoys gardening outside, watching the deer and birds and even once witnessing a manatee in the Folly River.

Kudos to Surrey and Leah for their thoughtful and beautiful landscaping. The Garden Club will take the summer off. We will meet again in September, but we will designate a Yard of the Month in July and August. Happy Fathers' day,

Lynn Ray Smalley (843) 588-0093
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Exchange Club

We hope everyone had a great Memorial Day and took time to remember all who sacrificed their lives so we can enjoy living in such a great country! We also hope everyone enjoyed our Memorial Day flag display!

MUSC dermatologists will be in the FB Baptist Church parking area Saturday June 16th from 9 am-1 pm for free skin cancer screenings.

We are offering two scholarships to full-time Folly Beach residents. Interested students must be high school seniors or presently attending college! Applications may be picked up at City Hall. Deadline is June 20, 2018.

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Senior Citizens

The Folly Beach Seniors will meet Thursday, June 7th at 11 am at Locklear's on Little Oak for our final meeting before our summer vacation.

We thank Rachel Knight from Trident Literacy. She was very informative about the Trident Area. There are 60,000 people there without a High School Education. We donated money to Trident Literacy. Volunteers are greatly needed.

Please remember our Seniors and check on them during the hot summer months. We wish all a safe and happy summer!

Pauline Ray (843) 588-9580

Green Team

Our April meeting will be Thursday, April 5th at 6 pm in Council Chambers. Our April Garden workday will be Saturday, April 7th beginning at 9 am.

Interested in adopting a beach access? Check out our FB page (gofollygreen) and let us know or see us at the Farmer's Market.

Teresa Marshall (828) 553-4690
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From the Desk of the Mayor

It is here, we have to wait no longer: Hurricane Season 2018. As I pen this article, we already have the season's first unnamed tropical storm churning in the Gulf of Mexico. With the crazy weather we have had so far in 2018, who knows what the Hurricane Season will bring? So don't put off until next week what you need to do this week.

Get out your storm equipment, like chain saws and generators, and make certain they are working and ready to go. Check your supply of batteries, flashlights and battery-powered radios that help keep you safe when the power goes off. Check your supplies of food and water, medicines, pet supplies (if you have pets). Update your exit plans and emergency plans to include updated contact information for family and friends.

Finally, go to <https://www.weather.gov/> to get information on storms and other safety preparedness information to help keep you safe if there is a hurricane in our area. Remember: if an evacuation is called, or your better judgment and historical knowledge of storms in this region tell you that you need to leave, leave as early as possible. We are the end of the line and you want to be able to evacuate quickly with as little stress and traffic as possible.

City Staff and I will keep you as fully informed as possible with emergency phone calls, text messages, and emails if you are signed up for the City's Code Red Emergency Alert System. If you are not signed up, you can click the hurricane Information button on the City's Web site or type Code Red in the search bar. This proved to be a very useful tool last year to keep citizens informed about the state of the city while they were evacuated.

The heat is rising, so don't forget sunscreen for your protection, and make sure our family pets also have plenty of water and shade available to help protect them if they are outside enjoying these early summer days. We all love to be in the sunshine, but we need to take extra care as we adjust to rising temperatures and longer days.

As always if you have any questions please contact me at (843) 729-0298 or email tgoodwin@cityoffollybeach.com.

Mayor Tim

The Chief's Corner

Memorial Day 2018 is a memory and summer is in full swing. I'd like to remind our citizens, as well as visitors, of common summer rules and regulations which help make Folly Beach a safer, more enjoyable place to be.

It's great when citizens can help our out-of-towners with reminders of common beach courtesies like no alcohol, no plastic bags or Styrofoam, and no pets from 10 am-6 pm on our beach.

With summer comes the turtle nesting season. Remember, when the turtles hatch at the end of the summer, it's important for homes along the beach to turn off lights at dusk. The little hatchlings often have a hard time distinguishing between the moon and house lights and end up risking their lives heading the wrong direction.

Complaints about traffic, speed and pedestrians often increase when tourism increases. Slowing down for walkers and allowing intersections to remain unblocked will make everyone's day a bit better.

Recent discussions between citizens and public safety staff about speeding have been productive. The perception might have you believe people are speeding and enforcement is weak, but the reality is the opposite. Last year, the department stopped more than 1,100 vehicles for speed violations, with 40% of those on residential streets. In addition, our speed monitor trailer illustrates 85% of drivers all over the island stay within or under the posted speed limit. That level of enforcement is significant considering the size of the department.

We hear your concerns and plan to continue to address them with ongoing speed enforcement.

Keep an eye out. This fall the department is looking to organize a Citizen Emergency Response Team (CERT) to assist the City during storms, disasters and other events. More information to come after summer.

If you see something, say something. We welcome your calls.

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Letter to the Editor

It has become increasingly difficult to turn right from East Ashley onto Center Street at the stoplight. It usually takes waiting patiently through two stoplights to allow pedestrians to cross both Ashley Ave and Center St.

I believe the solution is to paint an "X" diagonal crosswalk across the intersection to allow pedestrians to cross the intersection diagonally from any corner to another. It works in other cities. The pedestrian cross walk signals could be synchronized to allow all pedestrians to cross at one time. Then, the stoplights would be synchronized to allow only vehicular traffic to proceed.

I hope the City of Folly Beach and SC DOT will consider this remedy to keep our pedestrians safe and to protect our drivers from unwanted accidents.

Andie Weathers

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From the City

..... Folly Beach, along with Charleston County and other local jurisdictions, is beginning a required five-year update to the Charleston County Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan. Please take a moment for an IMPORTANT survey on local hazards: <https://goo.gl/forms/Mj7PX29BjzQ92exl2>. Complete by June 4, 2018.

..... From now until Labor Day, Charleston County will pick up recycling **every week** on Monday (or Tuesday if Monday is a holiday) on **Folly Island only**. This is an effort to deal with the tremendous amount of recycling generated by beach patrons and summer rentals. Containers should be placed at the curb no earlier than 2 pm the day before the collection, and removed from the curb no later than 8 pm on collection day.

..... Attention Dog Lovers! Keep our Community Clean. Adopt a Mutt Mitt Station. The City is seeking volunteers to adopt one or more mutt mitt boxes (dog waste disposal bags) at various beach walkovers. If there is a dispenser near your home that you'd be able to commit to regularly stocking with bags provided by the City, please email Colleen Jolley cjolley@cityoffollybeach.com.

..... The City is seeking input on the future of the Folly Skate Park. Please visit the City website for the survey: <http://www.cityoffollybeach.com/skate-park-survey/>

Herbs for All

Glenda Brown lives next to the 5 West beach access. She got the idea of planting herbs in raised beds next to the access, available to all (she even hung a pair of scissors). This year she reached out on Facebook, and got lots of help – ideas, herbs, labor. Her crew of a dozen women planted sweet basil, Thai basil, sweet and chocolate mint, rosemary, oregano, parsley and others, in addition to lavender and some flowering plants.



Glenda Brown's herb garden next to the 5th Street West beach access.

COUNTY PARKS EVENTS ON FOLLY

843-795-4386 or www.charlestoncountyparks.com
to register or for info.

Kayak the Surf Zone: Beginner Short Boat Surf Kayaking. Saturday, June 2nd 8 am-noon. County Park, age 16 up. \$48/\$38 Move IT!

SUP the Surf Zone: Sunday, June 3rd 8 am-noon. County Park, age 16 up. \$48/\$38 Move IT!

Moonlight Mixer Friday, June 15th, 7–11 pm. Folly Beach Pier. Fee: \$8 in advance/\$10 on site.

Cast Off Fishing Tournament Saturday, June 30th, 6 am–2 pm, Folly Beach Pier. Fee: \$10 (\$8 ages 3-12)/\$5 Fishing Pass Holder.

Kayak the Surf Zone: Beginner Short Boat Surf Kayaking. Saturday, June 2nd. 8 am-noon. Whitewater (short boats) and sit-on-top kayaks provided, with safety and technique instruction. Pre-registration required. County Park, Age 16 up. \$48/\$38 Move IT!

SUP the Surf Zone: Sunday June 3rd, 8 am-noon. Learn fundamental surfing skills, important wave/ocean dynamics, board/paddle design, etiquette, and safety. Pre-registration required. County Park, age 16 & up. Fee: \$48/\$38 Move IT!

Starlight Yoga: Thursday, June 7th, 7:30 -8:30 pm. County Park. Age 12 up. Open to all fitness levels. Rain date: Thursday, June 14th. Photo ID required. No refunds. Fee: \$5 (\$8 on site)/Free Move IT!

Folly Beach Bird Walks: Friday, June 8th 8:30 -10:30 am. County Park. Age: 12 up. Registered, paid chaperone required for 15 and under. Fee: \$7/\$5 Move IT!

Homeschool in the Parks: Sharks! - Middle School. Friday, June 22nd, 10 -11:30 am. Chaperones welcome, not required. Pre-registration required. County Park. Age 10-13. Fee \$5

Homeschool in the Parks: Sharks! – Elementary. Friday, June 22nd, 10 -11:30 am. Chaperones welcome, not required. Pre-registration required. County Park. Age 7-9. Fee: \$5

Sea Kayak Instructional Classes: Intro to Coastal Kayaking - Level 3. Saturday, June 23rd 8 am-2 pm. Pre-registration required. County Park. Age 16 up. Fee: \$75/\$60 Move IT!



Folly Fun Stuff!

17th Annual Wahine Classic surfing competition for women, Saturday, June 2nd and Sunday, June 3rd at the Washout. For information, e-mail patti@follywahine.org.



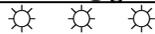
10th annual Take A Kid fishing tournament Saturday, June 2nd, 9 am-1 pm, Folly Pier. Equipment, bait and instruction provided on a first come first serve basis while supplies last. Sponsored by Folly Anglers.



The **Red Cross** will collect blood on Folly at the Father Kelly Hall, 105 West Hudson, on Thursday, June 7th from 2-7 pm. Drop in or arrange an appointment. E-mail Dave Miller at deacondave73@gmail.com or contact redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code: Folly. Blood is urgently needed in the summer, when potential donors are away on vacation, and travel and recreation accidents increase demand.



TEENS and PARENTS: We want your ideas to help our Folly TEENS with summer activities. Join us at the Community Center Sunday, June 10th at 4 pm. For information: Michelle Mazyck, (843) 270-4422 or 70sharkteeth@gmail.com.



Praise in the Park, Saturday June 23rd, 1-5 pm. Four Gospel and Praise bands, silent auction benefit for Folly Beach United Methodist Church outreach missions. This year we will support Beds=Dreams to build beds for Halos foster children in their grandparents' care. Come hear some really great music, enjoy Christian fellowship and support a good cause! For more information: *Praise in the Park* Facebook page.

FOLLY BEACH LIBRARY

Summer Reading is here! Prizes and fun for all ages! We have Storytime and a craft on Mondays at 10:30 am and our Summer Reading programs for the kids on Mondays at 4 pm. The Folly Beach Book Club will meet on Wednesday, June 13th at 2:30 pm to discuss *Ginny Moon* by Benjamin Ludwig. On Saturday, June 9th we will be open from 10 am–2 pm. Come in and watch *Surf's Up 2* and eat some popcorn. For more information, give us a call or check out the library's web page www.ccpl.org.

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Flags and Symbols on the Beach

- **Red over Yellow:** Designated lifeguarded swimming area between flags.
- **Yellow:** Use caution. Rough water or possible dangerous sea life.
- **Yellow with Black Circle:** Surfboards and other non-powered watercraft are prohibited.
- **Red:** No swimming. The water is closed due to dangerous currents, severe storms or lighting. Possible dangerous sea life.
- **Purple:** Sea pests. There are a higher than normal number of dangerous marine animals in the water (this is not intended to notify of the presence of sharks).

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LIBRARY HOURS OF OPERATION

MONDAY 10-6 WEDNESDAY 12-8
 FRIDAY 10-6 2nd SATURDAY 10-2

CALENDAR FOR JUNE

Council Chambers

4 th	Planning Commission	7pm
12 th	Council meeting	7pm
18 th	Design Review Board	6pm
26 th	Parks and Recreation Board	6pm

Clubs, Organizations & Committees

(some clubs take the summer off)

6 th	Save the Light	7pm
7 th	Senior Citizens	11am
7 th	Green Team	6pm
7 th	Exchange Club Board	7pm
14 th	Folly Association of Business	6pm
19 th	Civic Club picnic	5-7pm
21 st	Exchange Club	7pm
26	Parks and Recreation	6pm

Library

4 th , 11 th , 18 th , 25 th	Story Time, craft	10:30am
4 th , 11 th , 18 th , 25 th	Summer Reading	4pm
9 th	Open Saturday <i>Surf's Up 2</i>	10am-2pm
13 th	Book Club <i>Ginny Moon</i>	2:30pm

Recycling

7th and 21st

Volunteer Fire Fighters

5th, 12th, 19th, 26th 6pm

Special Events

2 nd -3 rd	Wahine Classic	
14 th	Flag Day	
15 th	Moonlight Mixer, Fishing Pier	7-11pm
17 th	Fathers' Day	
21 st	Summer Solstice	