

From the Clocktower

a newsletter from the City of New Bern



Happy St. Patrick's Day!
Sunday, March 17th

March 2024

Visit our website at www.newbernnc.gov or call us at (252)636-4000

Meeting Schedule

Please note: Planning & Zoning & Board of Adjustment have changed their monthly meeting day/date.

Bike/Ped Plan Advisory Cmte.	March 4
Board of Aldermen	March 12 & 26
Redevelopment Commission	March 13
Municipal Service District	March 19
Historic Preservation Commission	March 20
Planning & Zoning	March 21
Board of Adjustment	March 28

Meetings subject to change or cancellation based on quorum requirements or lack of business.

New Bern Fire-Rescue Open House & Fire Truck Pull: March 9

1401 Neuse Boulevard
9:00am Fire Truck Pull Begins
10:00am Open House



The fire truck pull benefits Hope for Harrison, a local nonprofit dedicated to helping those with neurological conditions. Visit <https://hope-for-harrison.square.site/> to register your team to pull the 40,000 pound truck!

City of New Bern ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION 2024

March 22 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Martin Marietta Park
700 S. Glenburnie Rd
New Bern, NC

- Tree planting ceremony & demonstration
- Guest speakers
- Giveaways (while supplies last)



TREE CITY USA
28 Years

Hosted by: New Bern Parks & Recreation
www.NewBernNC.gov or call (252)639-2901

Keep New Bern
CLEAN
WE CAN'T BEAR LITTER!



Community Cleanup March 13, 3-4pm Pine Tree Drive

Meet at West New Bern Recreation Center, 1225 Pine Tree Drive

New Bern's new litter reduction program kicks off this month with a community cleanup along Pine Tree Drive on Wednesday, March 13. The "Keep New Bern Clean...We Can't Bear Litter" program encourages healthy living & a clean environment. It lasts from March through October each year & features monthly cleanups across the city, adoption programs for individuals/groups who want to "adopt" a city block, street, or park to clean up, partnership opportunities & more. Go online & take the pledge to commit to a litter-free environment. Visit our website for a complete list of monthly cleanups. Organize your own cleanup & post it to social media using the hashtag #keepnewbernclean. & follow us on Facebook & Instagram for tips on reuse, recycling & proper disposal. Help Keep New Bern Clean...We Can't Bear Litter!

www.NewBernNC.gov/KeepNewBernClean



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New Bern 101 Starts March 7

Last call for applications! Visit NewBernNC.gov/NewBern101

The spring 2024 session of New Bern 101 begins March 7. This 8-week program introduces participants to New Bern & city government. You don't have to be a city resident to participate. Come learn more about our 10 departments & what types of programs & services the city offers. Tour city buildings & see current projects, participate in activities, & meet the staff who pave roads, respond to fires & crimes, balance the city's checkbook, restore power outages & more. Each session lasts from 4pm-7pm. To apply, visit our website, print the application, complete it, then turn it in at City Hall, 300 Pollock Street. See you on March 7!

Spring 2024 Sessions

Thursday, March 7	Thursday, April 11
Thursday, March 14	Thursday, April 18
Thursday, March 21	Thursday, April 25
Thursday, April 4	Tuesday, May 14



TWILIGHT AND FLASH-LIGHT EGG HUNT

Ages 10 - 13

FREE

Bring your own flashlight!



Thursday, March 28, 2024

Hunt begins at Dusk (approximately 7:20pm)

Martin Marietta Park
700 S Glenburnie Road

For more information, visit the Parks and Recreation page at NewBernNC.gov or call 252-639-2901

EASTER EGG HUNT

Saturday, March 23, 2024

Lawson Creek Park
1309 Country Club Road

Easter Bunny will be on site for pictures!

Free Face Painting!

Golden Egg Prizes for all groups!

For additional information contact New Bern Parks and Recreation at 252-639-2901 or visit our Parks & Recreation page at NewBernNC.gov



Egg Hunt Start Times:

1-2 year olds - Hunt begins at 10:00am
(one parent may assist their child)

3-5 year olds - Hunt begins at 10:30am
(no parental assistance)

6-8 year olds - Hunt begins at 11:00am
(no parental assistance)

9-12 year olds - Hunt begins at 11:30am
(no parental assistance)

Don't be Late!
Each hunt starts on time!



New Bern Alerts

Spring has sprung so why not celebrate the season by subscribing to New Bern Alerts? This free service notifies you of general & emergency information from the City. Find out about city events (especially now that the weather is getting warmer!), stay up-to-date on street closures, or get a jump on summer camps for kids & other recreation programs for all ages. New Bern Alerts notifies you through text, email and/or voicemail, whichever you choose. And there are more than a dozen notification groups to select from (see box at right). You can also opt in to receive severe weather alerts from the National Weather Service. Stay in-the-know about the City, from everyday announcements to emergency info, by subscribing to New Bern Alerts. Sign up at

Notification Groups

- Emergency Alerts
- General Information
- City Events
- New Bern 101
- Aquatics
- Afterschool Activities
- Summer Camps
- Recreation Programs
- Street Closures
- Parks & Facilities
- Trash/recycling Pickup
- New Bern Police
- New Bern Fire-Rescue
- Resiliency

www.NewBernNC.gov/NewBernAlerts

Severe Weather Preparedness: March 3-9

Are you ready in the event of a disaster?

The average American family has less than a week's supply of food on hand according to online sources. Which means, you may not have adequate essentials to survive a severe weather event or other emergency. During Severe Weather Preparedness Week in North Carolina (the first week in March), consider making some basic preparations in case the inevitable does happen. Here are some recommendations:

- 1 gallon of water per day per person
- Nonperishable/canned food (& can opener!)
- Batteries, flashlight & radio
- Blankets
- Basic home tools
- Extra house & car keys
- Important documents
- Fire extinguisher
- Cash & change
- Sanitizing wipes

Find more preparation tips at www.ReadyNC.gov. And while you're at it, be sure to sign up to receive emergency notifications from the City of New Bern through **New Bern Alerts** (see article, left). Taking time now to get ready will ensure we're all better prepared later.



Looking for a (new) job?

Look no further! Scan the QR code or visit our website for access to all current openings with the City of New Bern. Apply online from your smartphone & come join our team! www.NewBernNC.gov

- Business Assistant/Analyst (Finance)**
- Inflow & Infiltration Technician**
- Recreation Program Coordinator**
- Parks Maintenance Technician & more!**

