



Cape Charles Gazette

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We hope that you will enjoy reading the Cape Charles Gazette which is the electronic newsletter published from time to time on behalf of the municipal government of the Town of Cape Charles. The Gazette provides a variety of information that we believe will be useful to the citizens and businesses of Cape Charles as well as those who plan to travel to Cape Charles or have any interest in our Town or the Town's government. The Gazette provides information on actions being undertaken or being considered by the Town government, upcoming activities in the Town, important public safety and security issues and emergency announcements.

We welcome your responses which may be sent to gazette@capecharles.org, by regular mail to 2 Plum Street, Cape Charles, VA 23310 or by calling (757) 331-3259.

We also encourage you to visit the Town's website at www.capecharles.org where you will find up-to-date information about the operation of the Town government.



Town of Cape Charles Wetlands and Coastal Dune Board Public Information Meeting June 15, 2016, 6:00 p.m., at the Cape Charles Civic Center

The Wetlands and Coastal Dune Board will hold a public information meeting on Wednesday, June 15th at 6:00 p.m. to discuss beach sand management practices. The meeting will also include a presentation from members of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers who will discuss the current federal harbor dredge project. The final phase of this important, safe navigation and anchorage project is set for this summer. Once the project is completed, the responsibility for managing the sand placed on the Town beach will be left to the Town.

Please plan on attending the meeting to get current, accurate information and comment on sand management practices. If you have any questions or comments please contact Town Planner Larry DiRe at 757-331-2036 or planner@capecharles.org

U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS FEDERAL HARBOR DREDGE PROJECT

As the final phase of the federal harbor dredge project approaches, it is important to put that work in context. Several issues should be addressed since there has been a degree of misinformation and speculation about roles and responsibilities associated with this project.

1. The federal harbor dredge project is a safe navigation and anchorage project, not a beach nourishment/improvement project. The scope of work and contracting are under the guidance of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) not any other state or local agency. In June 1998, the Town granted a 50-year easement to the federal government to use the public beach as a "tract of land for the purpose of depositing dredged material from dredging operations."
2. The USACE and partner federal and state agencies looked for and researched sites for placing the dredge materials, determining the sites based on various criteria. The impact on the natural environment, as well as other resources, was considered and addressed in the September 2014 Supplemental Environmental Assessment document. Internet access to that document was linked to an article in the [February 13, 2015 issue of the Cape Charles Gazette](#).
3. The effects of sand placement on the Cape Charles town beach, including beach access during the summer and condition of the discharged materials (sand appearance and smell), were considered in the decision to put sand on the beach. Finally, the Town and USACE have a post-placement beach sand management plan that includes sand fencing and providing vegetative coverage of the dunes, and bringing the existing dunes to a uniform width. Once the sand is placed and the federal harbor dredge project completed, the Town will have the responsibility for keeping the sand on the beach.

THE TOWN OF CAPE CHARLES URGES RESIDENTS TO SIGN-UP TO RECEIVE LOCAL ALERTS

Cape Charles Residents Can Now Receive Real Time Public Safety Messages Through Nixle

The Town of Cape Charles has partnered with Nixle to implement its Community Notification System to alert residents in real-time for localized emergency situations and relevant community advisories via text, email, web, social media and the Nixle Mobile App. The service is secure, reliable and easy to use.



If you haven't already done so, we urge you sign up to receive these alerts.

As a resident, there are several simple ways to register:

1. Text "23310" or "CAPECHARLES" to 888777 from your mobile phone.
2. Go to www.capecharles.org and sign up via the Nixle Widget.

Once registered, residents will receive a confirmation text to their mobile device.

SIGN UP FOR THE GAZETTE & E-NOTIFICATIONS!

The Cape Charles Gazette is available by subscribing to [e-Notifications](#). With [e-Notifications](#) you can sign up to get the Gazette and regular updates on Agendas & Minutes, Alerts, Bids, Calendar Items, Job Postings and other News & Information.

With [e-Notifications](#), you control the information you receive and can cancel the notifications at any time.

We encourage you to browse the Town's website and if there is something that you would like to see added to the site, please submit your comments in writing by sending us an email at info@capecharles.org or send a note to the Town Clerk at 2 Plum Street, Cape Charles, VA 23310, and we'll see what we can do to get your requested information online.

We hope you are enjoying our site and we welcome your comments! We look forward to hearing from you!

Please send comments to info@capecharles.org.



Summer Garden Club

Thursdays in the Garden

June 23 – August 11th

5:00-6:30 pm

~No Participation Fees, its FREE!~

ALL Children 5-13 Welcome!

(No official program for children under 5, informal garden play area available; must be accompanied by an adult)

- ~ **Get Fit & Active in the Garden**
- ~ **Hands-On Garden Activities**
- ~ **Fun and Games in the Garden**

Come to one or to all!

Follow us on FACEBOOK at New Roots Youth Garden

Proudly Supported by:



The New Roots Youth Garden provides opportunities for local youth to develop personal growth, environmental stewardship, healthy lifestyles, social skills and awareness, community spirit, business proficiency, and the joy and satisfaction of meaningful work. They realize these goals by growing, eating, and sharing our harvest in creative, fun and healthy ways.

If you are interested in NRYG events for youth or volunteering, please call 757-414-7188 or email newrootseyouthgarden@gmail.com.

PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2016/2017 BUDGET

Following are the estimated receipts and expenditures of the Municipal Corporation of Cape Charles for the Fiscal Year 2016/2017. The Town Council held a Public Hearing on June 9, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at the Civic Center and heard from one citizen. The proposed Fiscal Year 2016/2017 budget will be discussed and brought to a vote at the Town Council Regular Meeting on June 16, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at the Cape Charles Civic Center.

REVENUES	2016-2017	EXPENDITURES	2016-2017
General Fund		General Fund	
Real Estate Taxes	1,098,777	Legislative	20,606
Personal Property Tax	115,000	Town Clerk	138,675
Prior Year Tax Collections	60,000	Town Manager	395,095
Motor Vehicle License Tax	20,500	Finance	228,509
Machinery & Tools Tax	27,500	Police	403,041
BPOL Tax	116,680	Code Enforcement	113,618
Admissions, Short-term Rental, Trans. Occ. Taxes	116,050	Public Works	407,352
Meals Tax	315,000	Parks & Recreation	81,078
Other Taxes	126,200	Library	131,958
Building Permits & Code Enforcement	89,741	Town Planner	78,545
Recovered Costs & Miscellaneous Income	43,925	Fire Department – State Pass Thru	10,000
Library Revenues	1,300	Debt Service	201,458
Financing Proceeds	346,550	Capital Projects	1,423,600
Grants and Local/State/Federal Aid	1,226,975	Contingency Fund-General	90,000
Reappropriate from Fund Balance	78,000		
Total General Fund	3,782,198	Total General Fund	3,723,535
Sanitation Fund	175,960	Sanitation Fund	175,960
Harbor Fund		Harbor Fund	
Operating Revenue	683,800	Operating	658,825
Financing Proceeds	12,000	Debt Service	176,526
Grant Revenue	693,750	Capital	937,000
Reappropriate from Fund Balance	324,139		
Total Harbor Fund	1,713,689	Total Harbor Fund	1,772,351
Water/Wastewater Fund		Water/Wastewater Fund	
Operating Revenue	1,502,440	Water Operations	331,679
Penalties and Late Fees	23,300	Wastewater Operations	546,703
Grant Revenue	125,000	Meter & Utility Billing, Administration	118,951
Connection Fees	19,250	Debt Service	443,352
Financing Proceeds	515,696	Capital	745,000
Facility Fees	116,600	Facility Fees moved to Reserve	116,600
Total Water/Wastewater Fund	2,302,286	Total Water/Wastewater Fund	2,302,286
TOTAL REVENUES ALL FUNDS	7,974,132	TOTAL EXPENDITURES ALL FUNDS	7,974,132

Following are the proposed tax rates and user fees which are part of the fiscal plan:

Vehicle Tax: \$31.00 per vehicle subject to Virginia State Registration (Trailers \$18.00) and Golf Cart Decal is \$31.00.

Real Estate Tax: \$.3260 per \$100; Personal Property Tax \$2.00 per \$100; Boat Tax \$0.01 per \$100

Transient Occupancy Tax: 3.7% Monthly

Meals Tax: 5% Monthly; Admissions Tax: 3% Quarterly; Short Term Rental Tax: 1% Quarterly

Water Rate: Residential 0-2,000 gal.: \$31.16 minimum; 2,001 to 5,000 gal.: \$2.63 per 1,000; 5,001 to 10,000: \$3.75 per 1,000; 10,001 to 15,000 gals: \$5.00 per 1,000; Over 15,000 gals: \$7.50 per 1,000; Commercial 0-2,000 gal: \$31.16 minimum; 2,001-10,000 gas: \$2.50 per 1000; 10,001-15,000 gals: \$3.75 per 1,000; Over 15,000 gals: \$5.00 per 1,000

Wastewater Rate: Residential 0-2,000 gal.: \$63.00 minimum; 2,001 to 5,000 gal.: \$4.11 per 1,000; 5,001 to 10,000 gals: \$5.85 per 1,000; 10,001 to 15,000: \$7.80 per 1,000; Over 15,000 gals: \$11.70 per 1,000; Commercial 0-2000 gal: \$63.00 minimum; 2,001-10,000 gals: \$3.90 per 1,000; 10,001-15,000 gals: \$5.85 per 1,000; Over 15,000 gals: \$7.80 per 1,000

Trash Collection Fee: \$13.76 per month

George Proto, Mayor

The utility rates will remain the same as FY2016. The real estate tax rate was equalized due to the recent re-assessment performed by Northampton County and will change to \$.3260 per \$100. This is the required rate for the Town to maintain the same tax revenue as FY2016.

Please click the following link for more information regarding the [proposed FY 2016-2017 Budget](#).



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2016
Concerts in
Central Park

7 pm to 9 pm, free and open to the Public

Bring a picnic, beach chairs, beach blanket, the whole family!
(in case of inclement weather, at The Historic Palace Theatre)

June 18 (Saturday) - U.S. Navy Fleet Forces Band
(The Finest of the Fleet)

June 25 (Saturday) - Mark Alan Linton Band
(Country)

July 16 (Saturday) - Hoppie Vaughan & the
Ministers of Soul (Blues)

July 23 (Saturday) - J and the Band (Dance and Party)

July 30 (Saturday) - Gayheart, Freeman and Lacy
Sandy Shortridge
(Western VA Country)

August 13 (Saturday) - Khedive Notables Dance
Band (Big Band/Swing)

August 20 (Saturday) - Dharma Initiative
(Dance/Jam/Groove)

September 4 (Sunday) - Delmarvalous Dolls
(1940s music)

September 10 (Saturday) - Kasey Rae Band
(Country Rock)

Supported by Bay Storage



June Programs

Cape Charles Memorial Library

201 Mason Avenue Cape Charles 757-331-1300



Date	Time	Program
6/2	10:30 am	Story Time – Babies & Toddlers – “Babies”
	10:30 am	Story Time – Preschoolers – “Babies”
6/2	5:00 pm	Chess Club
6/9	10:30 am	Story Time – Babies & Toddlers - “Monkeys”
	10:30 am	Story Time – Preschoolers – “Monkeys”
6/9	5:00 pm	Chess Club
6/13	7:00 pm	Friends of CCML host Author Series with JJ Shay and Wendy Higgins – program held at the Cape Charles Civic Center
6/16	10:30 am	Story Time – Babies & Toddlers – “Father’s Day”
	10:30 am	Story Time – Preschoolers – “Father’s Day”
6/16	5:00 pm	Chess Club
6/17	7:00 pm	Tween Night! Outdoor Night! <i>Program for ages 10 – 14 years</i>
6/18	10:45 am	Paws for Reading – participants read with a therapy dog; for ages 6 to 12. <i>PREREGISTRATION is requested.</i>
		Registration for Summer Reading Challenge begins! Check out our page on Facebook (Cape Charles Memorial Library) or stop by the Library for more details!
6/21	11:00 am	Kiptopeke State Park visit
6/21	3:00 pm	LEGO Build – free build or take a challenge! Open to all ages.
6/22	10:30 am 11:15 am	Craft with MOONRISE Jewelry – due to the popularity of this program, we’re having two sessions! Appropriate for ages 4 and up. <i>PREREGISTRATION begins 6/15 is required to attend either session.</i>
6/23	10:30 am	Story Time for Babies and Toddlers
	10:30 am	Story Time & Quick Craft for Preschoolers – “Ice Cream!”
6/23	5:00 pm	Chess Club – all ages and all skill levels are welcome
6/28	11:00 am	Local BIC author, Andrew Barbour, reads his book “Red, White, & Ewe”
6/28	3:00 pm	Imagine/Create – upcycling crafts (best suited for ages 6 and up)
6/29	11:00 am	Virginia Living Museum – Dino Discoveries <i>Sponsored by Friends of CCML</i>
6/30	10:30 am	Story Time for Babies and Toddlers
6/30	10:30 am	Story Time & Quick Craft for Preschoolers – “Dinosaurs”



SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

Thank you to all who help and support Cape Charles Memorial Library, our summer programs, and keeping the kids reading!





Town of Cape Charles Recreation Department 2016 Programs

All programs will take place at the Cape Charles Civic Center, 500 Tazewell Ave unless otherwise noted.

For more information on these programs, please visit www.capecharles.org or call Jen Lewis at 757-331-4785.



Let's Paint

2:00PM

- June 22—Under the Sea Suncatcher
- June 29—Super Hero Ceramic
- July 6—Wood Birdhouse
- July 13—Canvas Tote Bag
- August 3—Ceramic Planter
- August 10—Mermaid Suncatcher
- August 17—Wood Toolbox
- August 24—Mini Animal Ceramic Bowl



10:30AM

- June 23—3D Mosaics
- July 14—Ocean Animal Sand Art
- July 28—Flower Lei's
- August 11—Sand Art
- August 25—3D Island Craft Kit



5:00PM

- June 14—Illusionarium
- June 28—Illusionarium
- July 26—Don't Try to Find Me
- August 9—11/22/63
- August 23—11/22/63



50¢ per card

10:30AM

- June 3
- June 10
- June 17
- July 1
- July 8
- July 15
- July 29
- August 5
- August 19
- August 26

Daily **Beach Activities** meet at the Gazebo.

Monday-Thursday

11:00AM

- Sea Shell Hunt
- Beach Fitness
- Sea Glass Hunt
- Sand Castle Building
- Beach Treasure Hunt

Monday-Friday every other Saturday

2:00 PM

- Sumo Bumper Bopper
- Capture the Flag
- Couples Relay
- Bumper Bobber Soccer
- Beach Water Polo

Monday-Wednesday-Friday

4:00PM-6:00PM

- Corn Hole
- Flag Football
- Volleyball
- Beach Soccer
- Kick Ball





Town of Cape Charles
4th of July 2016
Celebration

Monday, July 4th Schedule of Events

8:00 am	Vendors set-up on Bay Avenue
8:30 am - 9:30 am	Registration for all activities on Bay Avenue by the Fishing Pier
8:30 am - 12:00 pm	Trash to Treasures - 100 Block of Mason Avenue
9:00 am - 9:30 am	Parade Line-Up on Washington Avenue
10:00 am - 5:00 pm	Craft and Artisan Vendors on Bay Avenue
10:00 am - Dark	Food Vendors on Bay Avenue
10:00 am	Parade - Bay Avenue to Mason Avenue - Presentation of Colors - Cape Charles Coast Guard - National Anthem
11:00 am	Announcement of Parade Winners
11:00 am	Horseshoe Tournament - South end of Bay Avenue by the Fishing Pier
11:00 am	Registration for Guppie Challenge
11:30 am - 1:30 pm	Music
12:30 pm - 2:00 pm	Guppie Challenge at the Fishing Pier
1:00 pm	Beach Volley Ball Tournament
2:00 pm	Beautiful Baby Competition
2:15 pm	Guppie Challenge Awards
4:00 pm	Corn Hole Tournament
5:00 pm	Live Music - Kasey Rae Band
8:00 pm	Fishing Pier Closed

FIREWORKS
after dark at the harbor/beach!!!
Rain Date:
Tuesday, July 5th

UPCOMING MEETINGS & NOTICES

- Tuesday, June 14, 2016:
Board of Zoning Appeals Work Session, 10:00 AM at the Civic Center. [AGENDA](#)
Mayor's Office Hours, 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM at the Civic Center.
- Wednesday, June 15, 2016:
Board of Zoning Appeals Public Hearing & Meeting, 10:00 AM at the Civic Center. [AGENDA](#)
Wetlands & Coastal Dunes Board Public Information Meeting starting at 6:00 PM at the Civic Center. [AGENDA](#)
- Thursday, June 16, 2016:
Town Council Regular Meeting starting at 6:00 PM at the Civic Center. [AGENDA](#)
- Tuesday, June 21, 2016:
Historic District Review Board Meeting starting at 6:00 PM at the Town Hall.
- Wednesday, June 22, 2016:
Virginia Main Street Public Information Meeting starting at 6:30 PM at the Civic Center.
- Thursday, June 23, 2016:
Town Council Executive Session – Planning Commissioner Interviews, 6:00 PM at the Town Hall. *tentative*
- Tuesday, June 28, 2016:
Mayor's Office Hours, 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM at the Civic Center.
- Monday, July 4, 2016:
Town offices closed in observance of Independence Day.
- Tuesday, July 5, 2016:
Planning Commission Regular Meeting, 6:00 PM at the Civic Center.
- Thursday, July 7, 2016:
Town Council Work Session starting at 6:00 PM at the Civic Center.
- Tuesday, July 12, 2016:
Mayor's Office Hours, 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM at the Civic Center.
- Wednesday, July 13, 2016:
Library Board Meeting starting at 5:00 PM at the Cape Charles Memorial Library.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN CAPE CHARLES

- 6/13/16: [Unearthly Fantasies](#) – Friends of the Cape Charles Memorial Library Author Series, 7:00 p.m. at the Civic Center
- 6/16/16: [Movies @ the Palace – Zootopia](#), 8:00 p.m.
- 6/17/16: [Tween Night! Outdoor Night!](#), 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.,
- 6/18/16: [Historic Cape Charles Old House Fair](#), 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
- 6/18/16: [Concerts in Central Park](#): U.S. Navy Fleet Forces Band, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
- 6/22/16: [Movies @ the Palace – The Goonies](#), 8:00 p.m.
- 6/25/16: [Concerts in Central Park](#): Mark Alan Linton Band, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
- 6/29/16: [Movies @ the Palace – Maleficent](#), 8:00 p.m.
- 7/2/16: [Cape Charles Community Yard Sale](#), 7:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
- 7/4/16: [Cape Charles July 4th Festivities](#), 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
- 7/6/16: [Movies @ the Palace – Independence Day](#), 8:00 p.m.
- 7/16/16: [Concerts in Central Park](#): Hoppie Vaughan & the Ministers of Soul, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
- 7/23/16: [Concerts in Central Park](#): J and the Band, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
- 7/30/16: [Concerts in Central Park](#): Gayheart, Freeman and Lacy Sandy Shortridge, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
- Save the Dates!
 - 8/6/16: [Community Yard Sale](#), 7:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
 - 8/13/16: [Concerts in Central Park](#): Khedive Notables Dance, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
 - 8/20/16: [Concerts in Central Park](#): Dharma Initiative, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
 - 9/3/16: [Community Yard Sale](#), 7:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
 - 9/4/16: [Concerts in Central Park](#): Delmarvalous Dolls, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
 - 9/10/16: [Concerts in Central Park](#): Kasey Rae Band, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

For more information regarding events, please visit our website and take a look at the [Calendar!](#)

We welcome your feedback. Please send your comments to gazette@capecharles.org.

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