

Board of County Commissioners

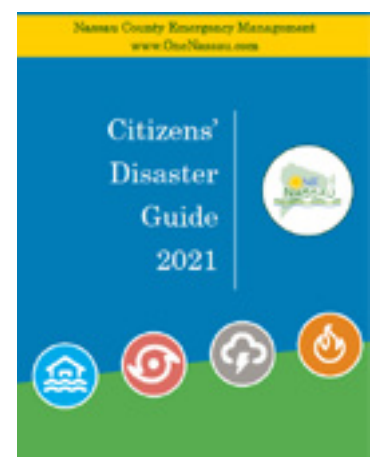
Nassau County, Florida



County Organized Non-Profit Fair

Highlights.....

- 2021 Citizen's Disaster Guide
- Nominations for Conservation Land Acquisition Management Program
- 21/22 Tentative Budget set
- Smart Lockers expand library services
- Animal Services in need of fosters
- Preparing for Tropical Storm Elsa



2021 Citizens' Disaster Guide

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COVID-19 VACCINATIONS

As of July 29th, 41,644 residents had been vaccinated. This is 54% of our total population. The Florida Department of Health is no longer providing daily reports on case counts, however they do publish updates every Friday. Those can be found at: <https://floridahealthcovid19.gov>.

Walk-In Wednesdays

Anyone wanting a COVID-19 Vaccine can visit the Yulee Health Department on Wednesdays. Clinic hours are 8:15am to 11:15am and 1:15pm to 4:15 pm.

Location: 86014 Pages Dairy Rd., Yulee, FL 32097

OneNassau is the result of a Joint Partnership between the Nassau County Department of Health, Nassau County Emergency Management, and the Board of County Commissioners. OneNassau's mission is to help the community before, during and after disasters.

OneNassau has worked diligently to disseminate information related to COVID-19 to the residents of Nassau County. This includes weekly updates on cases as they are received from the State Department of Health, as well as information on testing and vaccination locations.

The County ceased coordination of large vaccination events because they became widely available through hospitals and doctors offices. However, with the rise of COVID-19 cases, the County is considering hosting vaccination events again, should the need arise. All information will be kept up-to-date on the www.OneNassau.com website.

Health Director Provides COVID-19 Update to Board

At the July 26th meeting, Health Director, Dr. Prince Danso-Odei provided an update to the Board of County Commissioners regarding the current COVID-19 situation in Nassau County. Below are some highlights from his presentation:

- If you are sick, stay home to help prevent spread.
- There are four notable variants in the United States (Alpha, Beta, Gamma, and Delta). These variants seem to spread more easily and quickly than other variants, which may lead to more cases of COVID-19. An increase in the number of cases will put more strain on healthcare resources, lead to more hospitalizations, and potentially more deaths. So far, studies suggest that the current authorized vaccines work on the circulating variants.
- There is a direct correlation between vaccination rates and positivity rates. The more vaccines that occur, the lower the positivity rates will be.

Dr. Odei's presentation can be found at the link below at approximately 38:30.
https://nassaufl.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=2&clip_id=1246

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2021 Citizen's Disaster Guide and New Evacuation Zone Map



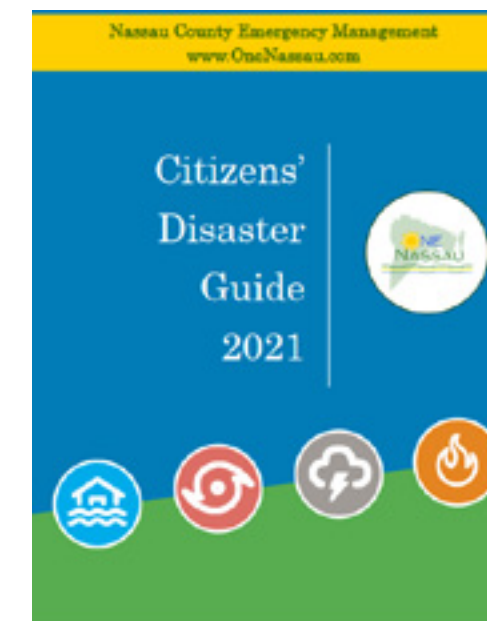
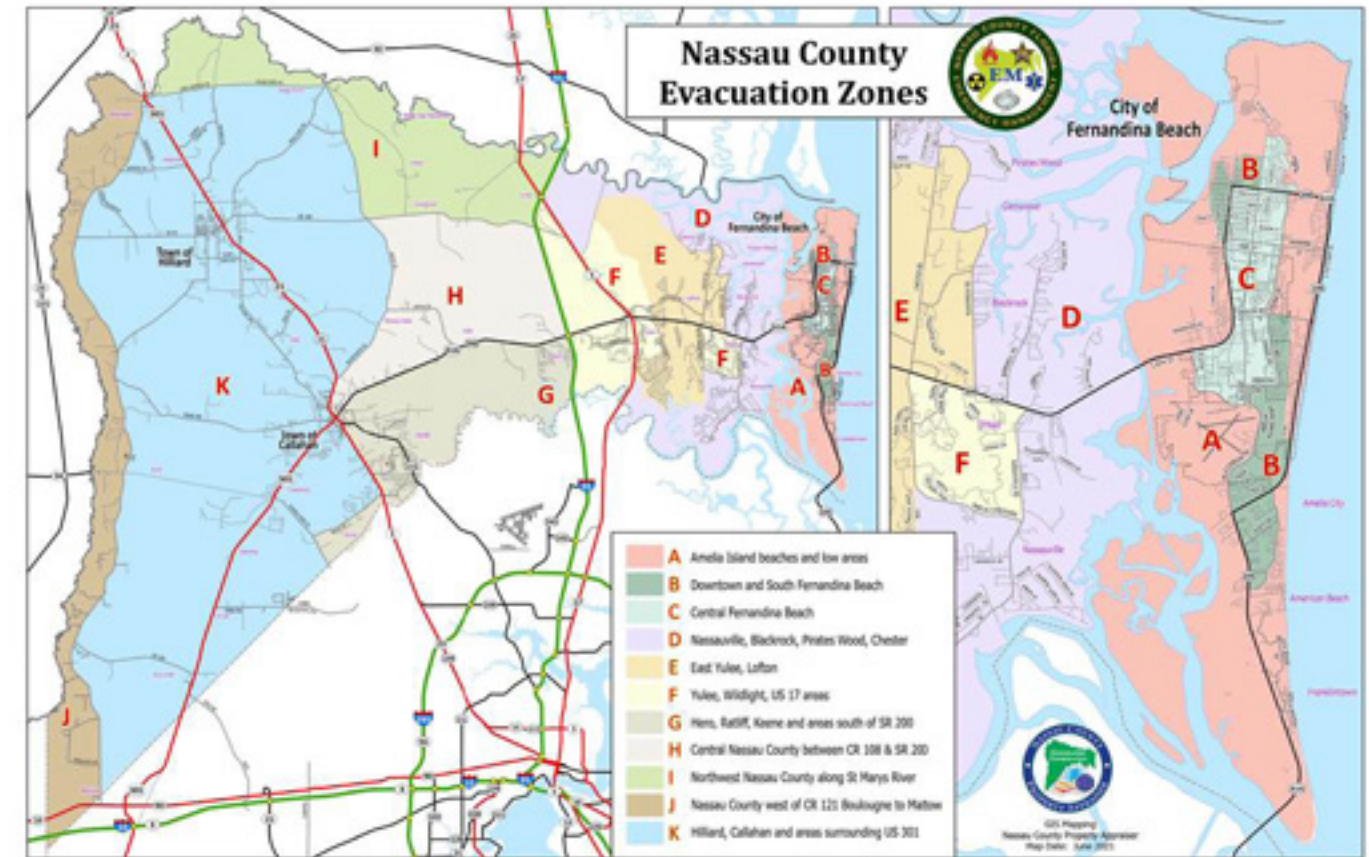
At the Board of County Commissioners meeting held on Monday, July 26th, Emergency Management Director, Greg Foster, presented the 2021 Citizen's Disaster Guide. This document includes information on various hazards such as hurricanes, tornadoes, and floods, shelter locations, tips on preparing an emergency supply kit, and what to expect if a widespread evacuation order is given.

The presentation also included information about the new Evacuation Zones that were established following a study conducted by Emergency Management, along with the Northeast Florida Regional Council and Florida Department of Emergency Management. The old map had all of Amelia Island and most of the Yulee area under Zone A. As a result, many people off the island who were in Zone A were electing to not evacuate because they felt like their threat wasn't as great as others in that Zone residing along the intercoastal and on Amelia Island. Emergency Management indicated that they've also seen a decline in residents on Amelia Island who are willing to evacuate.

The new map now has 3 evacuation zones on Amelia Island which identifies areas most likely to be affected by a coastal storm, as well as additional zones throughout the rest of the County clearly outlining where that area falls on the Zone Map. It's important to note that anyone previously shown in a surge zone will still be in a surge zone. Only the letters of the evacuation zone have changed.

Please [click here](#) to watch Director Foster's presentation. The discussion of the 2021 Citizens' Disaster Guide and new Evacuation Zone Map begins at approximately 48:45.

If you have any questions about the new Evacuation Zones, please contact Emergency Management at (904) 548-0900.



The 2021 Citizen's Disaster Guide can be found on the OneNassau website at www.OneNassau.com

Board of County Commissioners

Resolutions Issued in July



At the Board of County Commissioner's meeting held on Monday, July 27th, the Board approved a Resolution expressing support for the Northeast Florida Fair Association's Agriculture Education and Promotion Facility funding request to the State of Florida's Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

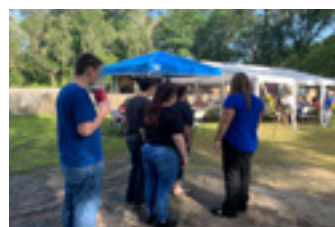
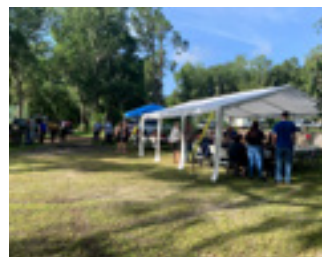
Paulette Kirkland was in attendance to accept the Resolution on behalf of the NEFL Fair Association. She stated, "We've been working on this fairground project since 2016. We've had a few setbacks but we are back on track. We are now working on an arena for the community's use. We appreciate the County's support".

The NEFL Fair Association is a non-profit organization that promotes agriculture in Nassau County, Florida. They host the annual fair and work closely with the local 4-H program and Future Farmers of America to encourage enthusiasm in our youth and celebrate Florida's agriculture heritage. To learn more, visit the Fair Association's website at <https://www.neflfair.org/>.

Community Outreach

The Board of County Commissioners coordinated a non-profit community outreach event for residents within the Town of Hilliard who are being displaced at the end of August. Several non-profit organizations provided information on services and programs available to assist them in their time of need. Approximately 40 individuals were in attendance.

A big thank you to Barnabas Center, Council on Aging, Starting Point, UF/IFAS County Extension, Community Action Agency, and Nassau County School District's Families in Transition for sending representatives and taking the time to share information about their agencies.



County Seeking Nominations of Lands for Potential Acquisition

Nassau County is **seeking nominations** of properties for potential acquisition through the

CONSERVATION LAND ACQUISITION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

The CLAM program was created to preserve and conserve the County's natural, historic, and working lands resources by identifying, ranking and assessing conservation lands for acquisition and management.

For a property to be considered, a nomination application must be submitted to the Planning Department. Property must comply with the Conservation Plan, CLAM Resources Ranking Map, and

CLAM Manual found at:

<https://www.nassaucountyfl.com/933/Conservation-Land-Acquisition-Management>

**NOMINATION PERIOD:
JULY 24-DECEMBER 31, 2021**

Call the Planning Department with questions at
(904) 530-6300

Office of Management & Budget



Budget Division



Assistant County Manager, Marshall Eyerman, presents to the Board of County Commissioners

On Monday, July 26th, the FY 2021/22 tentative budget was presented and the BOCC voted to set the tentative millage rate. This marks the next major milestone in the Truth-in-Millage (TRIM) process. Throughout the month of July, OMB staff worked to develop multiple financial models, analyzed proposed budget numbers, and refined sales tax and state shared revenue projections based on updated information from the Florida Office of Economic and Demographic Research (EDR).

OMB prepared and submitted the required TRIM forms to the Property Appraiser's office, ensuring the County remains compliant with statutory requirements.

Tentative Budget Calendar

CALENDAR

- ▶ June
 - ▶ June 14 Board Meeting – CIP Review
 - ▶ June 28 Board Meeting – CIP Adoption
- ▶ July
 - ▶ 7/26 Board Meeting – TRIM
 - ▶ 7/26 Pavement Management Plan
- ▶ August
 - ▶ Budget line-item review with Commissioners
 - ▶ 8/16 Workshop
 - ▶ 8/18 Workshop - continued
 - ▶ Approval of Pavement Management Plan
- ▶ September
 - ▶ Review/approval of Interim 2-yr Strategic Gap Plan
 - ▶ 9/13 Public Hearing
 - ▶ 9/27 Public Hearing
- ▶ October
 - ▶ 10/1 start of FY

Budget Focus/Process

Budget Focus/Process

Nassau County Vision 2032

- ▶ Quality of Life
- ▶ Infrastructure & growth
- ▶ Economic impacts & financial feasibility

Guiding Principles

- ▶ Advance strategic priorities, goals and objectives
- ▶ Leverage available sources of funding
- ▶ Resource optimization
- ▶ Effective financial planning

Build upon successes in previous fiscal year amended budget

- ▶ Examine fiscal strengths
- ▶ Remove one-time costs
- ▶ Identify savings where possible

Maintain a balanced General Fund budget

Revenues

- ▶ Regional/State economic projections
- ▶ Impacts of Economic Development
- ▶ Ad Valorem and State Shared Revenues

Expenditures

- ▶ Contractual Costs
- ▶ Cost allocation to Constitutional Offices
- ▶ Capital projects
- ▶ Continue to examine new costs savings and potential efficiencies

Budget Objectives

Budget Objectives: Fiscal Year 2021/22

Growth Demands

- 4.9% in 2020
- 22% population growth over last decade
- 16,000 new residents / vehicles on the roads

Quality of Life

- New and maintained roads
- New parks

Living within our Means

- No longer deferring maintenance
- Preventative maintenance saves on overall costs
- Structurally balanced budget
- No longer defers maintenance

More efficient Government

- Reducing staffing levels versus demand growth
- Increased technology support
- Continued focus on operational efficiencies

Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)

- \$33M CIP (Parks, Fire Stations, Transportation)
- Chip Seal \$900,000
- Pavement Management \$3,900,000

Fire

- SAFER Grant – 9 FF/EMT positions (\$710,000 pending)

Reduced Risk and Liabilities

- Investing in legal expertise and support
- Implementing new procurement procedures and controls

Economic Development

- Focus on job home balance
- Capture new revenues for benefit of County residents

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Yulee, FL 32097
(904) 530-6010
mdiehl@nassaucountyfl.com

To view all OMB activities for July 2021, visit
<https://www.nassaucountyfl.com/165/Office-of-Management-Budget>

Fire/Rescue

Calls for service were up about 40% from the previous month due to COVID-19 responses

New Signage at Station 71

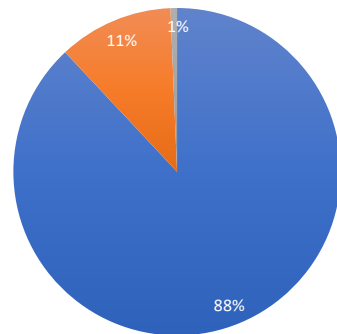


Plaque dedicating the station to the citizens of Nassau



New lettering on station wall and monument sign in front of station

July 2021 Calls



*Other calls include various calls such as lift assistance, downed wires, stranded motorists, etc.

Employee Training

Fire Rescue personnel participated in several training opportunities last month to further maximize their skills.



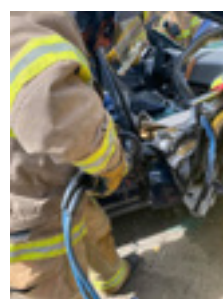
Pump Training



Lifting Utilizing the Airbag Training



High Angle & Confined Spaces Training



Vehicle Extrication Training



Ladder Training

Contact:

Brady Rigdon, Fire Chief
96160 Nassau Place
Yulee, FL 32097
(904) 530-6600
brigdon@nassaucountyfl.com

To view all Fire Rescue activities for July 2021, please visit <https://www.nassaucountyfl.com/122/Fire-Rescue>



The Library System circulated 16,350 items in July! This includes books, audio books, cds/dvds and other items that can be checked out at any of the 5 library branches

Library

New Lockers Expand Library Services

Have you heard about the new intelligent lockers outside the Fernandina Beach Library Branch and the James S. Page Governmental Complex? These were recently installed to expand library services.

Why use the Intelligent Locker? You need to work late, the Library will be closed before you get there. You just received an email from the Library, the book you have been waiting for is ready to be picked up! Your child has books to pick up, it is convenient to go after sports practice. You drive to the library during your lunch break, there is a line at the Circulation desk. The Library is closed at certain times, such as holidays. And hopefully we will not face another pandemic.

Don't have a Library card? Register for a temporary one. In any scenario, the lockers are there for you when you need them.



Anything in the Library's collection that can be checked out and can fit in the lockers can be checked out through the lockers. You can request books, books on CD, DVDs, games, puzzles and more! You can even return items to the Library lockers.

If you have any questions, please contact the Library at (904) 530-6500.

Note: the lockers were 100% funded with CARES Funding through the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

Upcoming Library Programs

Sponsored by the Friends of the Fernandina Beach Library

Author Talk with Jimmy Deas

September 2nd 6 PM
Fernandina Beach Library Community Room

Jimmy Deas is a retired pastor and author. His novels, Ron Like Joseph, Just Have Faith, and Prodigal Sons are based on his experiences as a pastor presented through his fictional character, Rev. Mark Thomas. Deas has also written A Teacher's Gift and Other Stories and Just a Dog and Other Stories, what he calls "people stories" about people and events and The Jonah Trail, a review of the Old Testament book.

Deas is a former resident of Fernandina Beach and pastor of First Baptist Church. He and his wife live in Live Oak, Florida.

Free with admission. Seating is limited. A \$5 donation is requested for those who are unable to pay for admission.

Nassau County Public Library
201 N. 8th St.
Fernandina Beach, Florida 32034 | (904) 530-6500
nassaucountyfl.com

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Author Talk with Mbinguni

September 16th 6 PM
FERNANDINA BEACH LIBRARY

In the coming-of-age tale, Mbinguni is a novel about Mwanza Mwanza Mwanza and her transformation from a shy girl into a strong and assertive woman.

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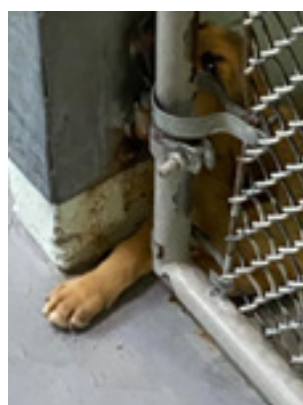
Animal Care & Control

A total of 130 pets were adopted in July 2021!



| July Activities | | |
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| | Dogs | Cats |
| Total In | 62 | 133 |
| Total Out | 69* | 125 |

* Includes animals at shelter for prior month



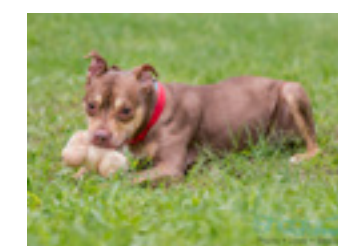
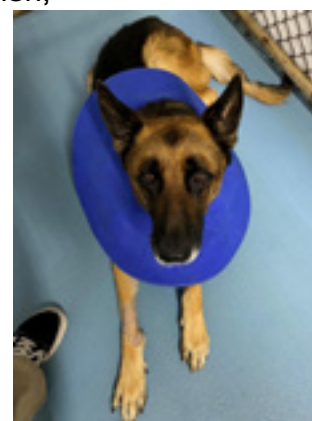
Nassau County Animal Services relies heavily on volunteers to help meet the needs of each animal while it waits to meet their forever family. If you are unable to volunteer your time, you can still help contribute to their quality of life by purchasing items from our Shelter Amazon List. Here you can find dog treats, cat treats, food, toys and more, most of which are under \$20.

Visit: <https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1TAJEXCYN0IQ?&sort=default>

Generous Donations Credited for Saving Connery's Life!

Connery is a beautiful, gentle eight-year-old German Shepherd stray that was suffering from gastric dilatation and volvulus (GDV). In plain English, his stomach is twisted. He required immediate gastropexy surgery to save his life. Surgery was performed at Capital Veterinary Specialists in Jacksonville. His surgery was successful, but he is not out of the woods yet. Connery is high-heartworm positive.

It would be better for Connery if he were placed in a quiet foster home right here in Nassau County where he can rest and recover. Once Connery has recovered and is free of heartworms, should the foster decide to adopt him, Animal Services will waive the adoption fee. The shelter will provide the heartworm medication, but please keep in mind that Connery will have to return to the shelter periodically for lab tests. If you know of someone who can foster this beautiful dog, please tell them.



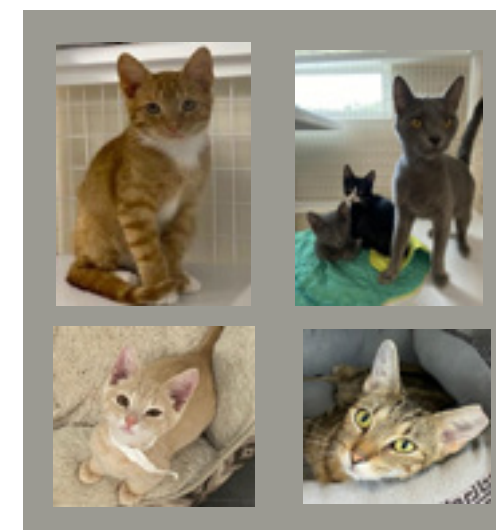
Berry needs a chance!

Berry came to the shelter on January 6, 2021, as part of an animal hoarding case. She was officially surrendered and is eligible for adoption. She is a friendly girl that loves people. She seems to like other dogs but does not like cats. Children also seem to scare her. Berry would do great in an adult home or one with older children and no cats. Come by for a visit or take her home for a sleepover to see if she is the right fit for your family.

Cats & Kittens Galore

The shelter currently has over 100 cats and kittens available for adoption. Feline adoption fees are \$25 for kittens and \$9 for adult cats. The fee includes spay/neuter surgery, rabies vaccination, FVRCP combo vaccination, parvovirus combo vaccination, testing for feline leukemia and feline immunodeficiency virus (FIV), and an ID microchip (\$250 value).

To meet a cat or kitten, please call the shelter to schedule a time for a meet and greet.



Fosters Needed



Nassau County Animal Services currently needs fosters for pregnant cats and dogs, orphaned kittens and puppies, and animals that are sick or injured and just need a quiet place to rest and recover. If you are interested in fostering an animal in need, please complete a foster application at the link below.

https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/su/4kGMvP5?fbclid=IwAR2XLqi_wsOmRpnBzDUPaCsCc5UigO3QEow5RCqaFUvNIFtOnJc_eEChYTo

Contact:
Tim Maguire, Director
86078 License Rd.
Yulee, FL 32097
(904) 530-6150
tmaguire@nassaucountyfl.com

To view all Animal Services activities for July 2021, please visit <https://www.nassaucountyfl.com/845/Animal-Services>

Public Works

The Road Department, Facilities Department/Parks & Recreation, and Solid Waste Department all fall under the umbrella of Public Works.

Road Department

Preparing for Tropical Storm Elsa

In July 2021, 2,009 manhours were spent by the Road Department for activities related to Tropical Storm Elsa.

Pre-Storm Preparations (130 hours)

- Set up sand bag distribution sites and issued sandbags to approximately 150 residents
- 10 quick response teams strategically positioned in known problem areas to address issues as they arose
- Inspected all known areas with drainage problems, including outfall ditches

Storm Response (1,247 hours)

- 19 roads under water and temporarily closed
- Removed multiple downed trees, ensuring public safety
- Replaced 5 failing driveways
- Cross drain collapsed on White Oak Place. Created an alternate roadway as a temporary repair. Cross drain has since been replaced.
- Cross drain collapsed on Lott Rd. and was replaced immediately
- Made all dirt roads safely passable within 3 days of the storm

Post Storm Work (632 hours)

- Added stabilizing materials to numerous dirt roads
- Multiple temporary driveway repairs have been completed
- Repaired multiple potholes created by massive rainfall



Lott Rd. Culvert Replacement



Franklin Rd. Washout



White Oak Place Storm Drain Failure and Temp Road

| July 2021 Activities | | |
|----------------------|----------------------|------------|
| | Work Orders Created | 266 |
| | Ditches Cleaned | 18,200 LSF |
| | Storm Drains Cleaned | 1,010 LSF |
| | Dirt Roads Graded | 360 Miles |
| | Roadways Mowed | 28 Miles |

Work Order Highlights for July

Culvert Repairs

- Staff completed 9 work orders for various driveway repairs (71 man hours)

Storm Drain Cleaning

- Staff completed 7 work orders for storm drain and culvert cleaning (22 man hours)

Dirt Road Maintenance

- Staff completed 14 work orders, adding additional materials to dirt roads (103 man hours)

Paved Road Maintenance

- Staff completed various maintenance work orders around the county (58 man hours)
- Staff completed 19 work orders for pothole repairs (141 man hours)
- Staff completed 1 work order for roadway shoulder repairs (4 man hours)
- Staff completed 31 work orders for tree/debris removal (428 man hours)

Roadside Ditch Cleaning

- Staff completed a work order on Ford Rd. that consisted of digging 4,800 LSF of ditches (140 man hours)

- Staff completed a work order on Bypass Rd. that consisted of digging 2.5 miles of ditches (399 man hours)
- Staff completed 5 additional drainage work orders in various locations around the county (83 man hours)

Prevention Maintenance

- Performed 46 preventative maintenance work orders (88 man hours)
- Performed 50 non-scheduled maintenance work orders on vehicles (180 man hours)

Contact:
Cameron Hansen, Road Director
37356 Pea Farm Rd.
Hilliard, FL 32046
(904) 530-6175
chansen@nassaucountyfl.com

To view all Road Department activities for July 2021, please visit: <https://www.nassaucountyfl.com/197/Road-Department>

Public Works

Solid Waste



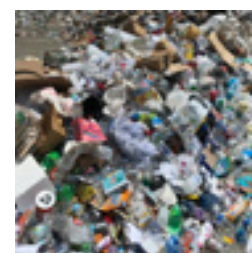
The compactor motor head unit at the landfill suffered an electrical fire. Thank you to Facilities Maintenance for replacing it with a new unit.



Scrap Metal Recycling



Cardboard Recycling



Single Stream Recycling

Facilities Maintenance

Facilities Maintenance processed 1,239 work orders in July

Facilities Maintenance Technicians recently made repairs to the retaining wall on Simmons Rd. This includes construction of a box around the utility pole. This clever design has panels that slide up and down so that the utility company can still access the pole when needed.



Facilities staff has also been busy assisting the Road Department with filling of sandbags to have on-hand for any future storms. The new sandbag filling machine makes this duty easier than ever. And now, residents won't have to fill their own bags!



Congratulations to Bill Howard



Bill pictured in back row, third one from the right (blue shirt, tan hat)

Congratulations to our Facilities Supervisor, Bill Howard, on being selected to participate in Leadership Nassau Class 22. This program is sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce and assists in the development of community leaders by fostering leadership skills and exposing participants to issues within the community.

Contact:
Doug Podiak, Public Works Director
46026 Landfill Rd.
Callahan, FL 32011
(904) 530-6700
dpodiak@nassaucountyfl.com

To view all Solid Waste activities for July 2021, visit <https://www.nassaucountyfl.com/228/Solid-Waste>

Contact:
Doug Podiak, Public Works Director
45195 Musselwhite Rd.
Callahan, FL 32011
(904) 530-6120
dpodiak@nassaucountyfl.com

To view all Facilities Maintenance activities for July 2021, visit <https://www.nassaucountyfl.com/73/Facilities-Maintenance>

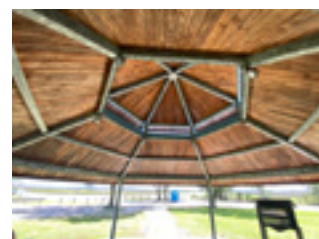
Public Works

Parks & Recreation

New sidewalks have been added within the Yulee Sports Complex



Pavillions at the John Claxton Boat Ramp were cleaned. This included removal of pine straw and pressure washing.



Movies in the Park

In July, Parks & Recreation hosted two movies in the park. The first took place on Saturday, July 10th at the Yulee Sports Complex and featured the movie "The Sandlot". The second event took place on Saturday, July 17th at the Stein Tompkins Athletic Complex and featured the movie "Little Giants". Both had about 25 people in attendance.



Contact:
Jay Robertson, Parks & Rec Director
45195 Musselwhite Rd.
Callahan, FL 32011
(904) 530-6120
jrobertson@nassaucountyfl.com

To view all Parks & Recreation activities for July 2021, please view the Public Works report at <https://www.nassaucountyfl.com/73/Facilities-Maintenance>

NASSAU COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND
WALKER CONSULTANTS CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO AN

OPEN HOUSE

TO DISCUSS CURRENT AND FUTURE CONDITIONS FOR AMELIA
ISLAND BEACH ACCESS AND PARKING.



**DON'T MISS THIS
OPPORTUNITY
TO PROVIDE
INPUT!**

WHEN: Saturday, August 21st
TIME: 9:00 a.m.
WHERE: Peters Point Beach
Front Park

Walker Consultants will provide a presentation and
discuss an array of industry best practices common on
barrier island communities throughout the State.

**We look forward to seeing you at the
Open House!**

Engineering Services

Transportation Project Highlights

County Road 108 Safety

Improvements: Construction expected to begin Summer 2021.

County Road 115 Widening &

Resurfacing: Roadway paving has reached substantial completion. Final punchlist repairs are under way. Project completion estimated for July 2021.

Crawford Road Construction:

Construction began November 2020. Estimated completion date is September 2021.

Henry Smith Road Improvements:

Anticipated construction to begin fall 2021.

Pratt Siding Road Improvements:

Plans 90% complete. Construction to begin Winter 21/22.

Pages Dairy Road Widening:

Construction began January 2021. JEA Watermain installation currently underway, as well as grading and ditch construction.

Note:

A full list of transportation projects can be located on Engineering's website. Other projects include: Amelia Island Parkway Trail, Citrona Drive Safety Improvements, Pages Dairy/Chester Rd. Intersection Improvements, River Rd. Safety Improvements, William Burgess Extension, and the William Burgess & Harts Rd. Roundabout Project.

July Activities

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| Driveway/Sidewalk Permits Issued: | 190 |
| Driveway/Sidewalk Inspections Performed: | 203 |
| Utility Permits Issued: | 10 |
| Building Permits Reviewed: | 248 |
| Borrow Pit Permits: | 4 |
| Drainage Concerns Logged: | 10 |
| DRC Pre-Applications Reviewed: | 8 |
| Site Engineering Plans Reviewed: | 11 |
| Variance Requests Reviewed: | 5 |

Development Review

Engineering completed 11 reviews of developments, as well as 8 pre-applications. Of these, 6 were continued reviews of an existing submittal and 5 were new submittals.

Residential developments that were reviewed included 5 expansions to existing developments in Yulee; 1 new residential development in Yulee; and a new residential development on Amelia Island.

Commercial properties reviewed included a shopping center outparcel, office complex and oil change facility in Yulee, as well as a utility provider site near Callahan.



Dr. Scott Washburn, a transportation engineering professor from the University of Florida, attended the Florida Puerto Rico Institute of Transportation Engineering Meeting in late June. He met

up with several former UF students including Nassau County's Senior Transportation Engineer, Tyler Blair.

July 2021 Activities

| Permits | # Issued |
|---|--------------|
| New Builds, Additions, Rehabs, Roofs, Siding, Signs | 417 |
| Mobile Home & Modular Home | 12 |
| Electrical | 262 |
| Mechanical | 202 |
| Plumbing | 382 |
| TOTAL | 1,328 |
| Other Activities | |
| Contractor Licenses Issued | 59 |
| Certificate of Occupancies Issued | 103 |
| Inspections Performed | 2,647 |

Building Department

An unsafe structure was removed on Julia Street, in accordance with Ordinance No. 2019-15, Unsafe Building Violations.



Building Department Continues to Receive Exceptional Feedback from the Community

Tammy and Denise are very, very helpful and knowledgeable. They did not rush us and we had many, many questions. Thank you all!

-Name not provided

Jessica Childers is always helpful. When I have a question about anything, she will either answer it or point me to the right person.

-T. Cole

I had the pleasure of speaking with Shirley Lanham. She walked me through the permitting process and pointed out a few outstanding items requiring my attention. Shirley's customer service skills should be honored and annotated!

- R. Carter

Contact:

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Planning Department

July Development Review

| Pre-application Reviews | DRC Approvals |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 9 commercial plans - 2 replats | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 2 commercial projects - 3 subdivision plats - 1 final development plan |

Introducing Joshua McBeth, a new Planner II for the Planning Department.



Josh has nearly 10 years of design experience with a focus in urban planning and architecture that began at the University of Florida. His prior professional work includes private, non-profit and public sector jobs across the southeast. After obtaining a Masters Degree in Architecture and a Masters in City and Regional Planning from the Georgia Institute of Technology, Joshua returned to Florida to be close to family.

Joshua's drive is creating opportunities that help communities become better places to live, work, and play. He believes design and information should never discriminate and that it should be something obtainable by anyone willing to learn and participate. He looks forward to helping Nassau County become an even more desirable destination and place for current residents.



The Blackrock Cove Planned Unit Development is under review by the Development Review Committee. The proposed development would include 184 single-family lots and 48 townhome units. The development preserves almost 37 acres of connected wetlands and 22.6 acres of upland hardwood hammock and provides two internal neighborhood parks.

Of particular interest to the residents is Blackrock Park. This park is a collaborative effort between the developer, Wood Development, County staff and Barth & Associates. This park will feature multi-purpose fields and courts, a dog park, pavilion, playground, play fields, paved trails with exercise stations, and a boardwalk over wetlands. Before any homes can be built, the developer will need to donate the 20.5 acre park, with 8.5 acres being usable uplands, and construct the paved trails and multi-purpose field with associated parking. The County will then complete the park as funding is available.

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Code Enforcement

July Activities

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| Complaints Received | 69 |
| Initial Inspections | 67 |
| Cases Complied | 69 |
| Presented to Code Board | 0 |
| Lien Research Requests | 118 |

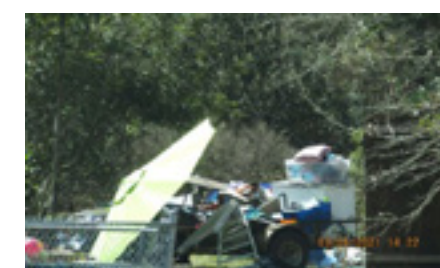
DID YOU KNOW?

Nassau County receives calls inquiring about trash, litter, and debris. This is Ordinance 2015-10, Section (3), (4), (7), & (8). Each section has a description that varies. Section 3 is described as any accumulation of decayed animal or vegetable matter, trash, rubbish, garbage, rotting lumber, bedding, packing material, scrap metal, or any material whatsoever in which flies, mosquitoes, disease-carrying insects, rats or other vermin may breed. This is the most used section due to its vast description. The others are more specific. Section 4 is all stagnant water in which mosquitoes, flies, or other insects can multiply. We use this for complaints such as pools being unmaintained. Section 7 is accumulation of cans and bottles. This would cause vermin and insect issues and is bad for our environment. Section 8 is the accumulation of tires, appliances, mechanical equipment or parts. This is in place to enforce the proper disposal of tires and other equipment.

We would love for our citizens in Nassau County to take time to become educated on their local rules and regulations. Below is a link to Nassau County Code of Ordinances.

https://library.municode.com/fl/nassau_county/codes/code_of_ordinances

Below are examples of common Code violations.



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County Extension

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| Total Programs/Activities | 134 |
| Total Participants | 647 |
| Total Educational Publications | 17 |
| Total Reach Through Educational Publications | 62,519 |
| Return on Investment | \$21,853 |

Family & Consumer Sciences

The mission of the Family & Consumer Sciences Extension Agent is to bring the educational resources of the University of Florida to the residents of Nassau County to improve their quality of life in the areas of Health and Nutrition, Aging and Human Development, general financial management, and 4-H Youth Development.

- Provided Medicare literacy to 20 Medicare-eligible individuals
- Assisted 2 seniors with prescription drug coverage subsidy programs
- Taught 3 individuals in the Food Manager Certification Program and proctored 2-hr exam
- Developed and taught financial class to 5 seniors on avoiding scams
- Assisted 1 senior with stimulus check recovery
- Developed hand washing lesson/activities for 4-H Clover Camp

Horticulture

The mission of the Horticulture Extension Agent is to provide science-based horticulture recommendations for residents, green-industry professionals, planners, designers, and communities through educational resources, trainings, and outreach programs.

- Conducted 12 soil samples
- Provided 7 landowner consultations

Family Nutrition

- Hosted 3 programs at ARC
- Hosted 6 programs at Boys and Girls Club Nassau
- Hosted 2 programs at Conviva Activity Center

4-H Positive Youth Development

A 4-H Agent's mission it to provide educational programs for positive youth development and overseeing fundraising, record-keeping, marketing, working with the Nassau County 4-H Association, and ensuring compliance with State and national policies. 4-H Agents also recruit, train, and retain youth and adult volunteers.

CAMP CHERRY LAKE COMES HOME



With another year of Camp Cherry Lake being postponed, Nassau County Agent, Kelsey Irvine, knew she had to bring the magic of camp home this year. 13 "campers" came together on July 13th for a few hours of fun.

3 cabins were assigned and led by counselors in the traditional capacity. Each cabin was given a complete songbook with songs they would sing and learn throughout the night. The Llama song was a great hit! Cabins came together to learn additional songs and make crafts. Of course, the Camp Cherry Lake adventure wouldn't be complete without the infamous, messy, and mandatory marshmallow paint wars.

Campers had so much fun that several have already put their name on a signup list for Camp Cherry Lake 2022.

4-H MURAL PAINTING CAMP: CELEBRATING DIVERISTY

15 Nassau County youth participated in a 5-day mural painting camp organized by Nassau County Agent, Ted Karsch. This camp was hosted by The Island Art Association in Fernandina Beach and was funded by a \$10,000 grant to the Association.



One of the primary objectives of the camp was to recognize the diversity of youth who reside in Nassau County. The diverse cultural and racial background of the camp participants inspired the youth to incorporate diversity and community in their mural. Four national flags, including the U.S. Flag, were portrayed. Each artist contributed their unique painting to the overall mural. When completed, they voted on the title, "Journey into the Unknown".

Camp participants reported feeling a greater sense of community and a greater appreciation of the diverse population of people living in Nassau County. They also reported feeling more self-confident in working with diverse groups of people.

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Human Resources

Employee Wellness



The Board of County Commissioners has received a bronze award for their “Workplace Wellbeing Inspiring Challenge”. A big thank you to the employees who participated in the well-being program. Their commitment to well-being is helping us to create a healthier, happier place to work.

This month, employees were encouraged to find ways to protect and support muscles by stretching regularly. Doing so allows you to move more easily. It can also help to:

- Decrease cramping and muscle soreness
- Help your joints move through full range of motion
- Enhance your performance in physical activities

Employees were given examples of great stretches. Below are two.

Front Thigh Stretch

Stand next to a wall or use a chair for support. Make sure your feet are shoulder width apart. Bend one knee so that your foot goes up toward your buttocks. Grab your ankle and pull it toward your buttocks as far as you can. Hold the stretch for 15-30 seconds. Repeat 2-4 times for each leg.

Calf Stretch

Stand and place your hands on a wall. Move one foot back as far as you can comfortably. Your toes should be facing forward, heels flat, with a bend in your knees. Lean into the stretch. You should feel the stretch in your back leg. Hold for 15-30 seconds. Repeat 2-4 times for each leg.

July Activities

| Employee Services | | Employee Benefits | |
|--------------------------|----|-----------------------|----|
| New Hires: | 10 | Benefit Enrollments: | 15 |
| Terminations/Retirements | 6 | Benefit Terminations: | 8 |
| Positions Posted: | 14 | Benefit Changes: | 12 |

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Public Information Office

July activities included:

- Published Monthly County newsletter (June edition)
- Released “Proudly Serving Nassau” Video featuring Asst. Facilities Director, Jeff Little
- Created flyer for CLAM Nomination Period
- In conjunction with Administrative Manager, Amy Bell, coordinated and participated in non-profit fair for Hilliard residents in danger of being displaced
- Disseminated information to employees and public regarding Tropical Storm Elsa
- Issued first “Week in Photos” edition
- Attended Movie in the Park Event, 4-H Awards Banquet and Touch-a-Truck Library Event
- 45 Stories posted to The County Insider
- 55 FaceBook posts reaching 150,925 people
- Tweets: 38
- Press Releases Issued: 4

Social Media Followers as of July 31, 2021

FaceBook followers: 8,854

Twitter Followers: 231

YouTube Followers: 70

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<https://twitter.com/FINassau>



https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPcL9uy37-oy_iX1ka_fw8Q

Not on Social Media?

Visit our news blog, **The County Insider**, for up-to-date information related to the County including, but not limited to, road closures, COVID-19 vaccination updates, special events and programs, project updates, County awards, meeting information, and more!

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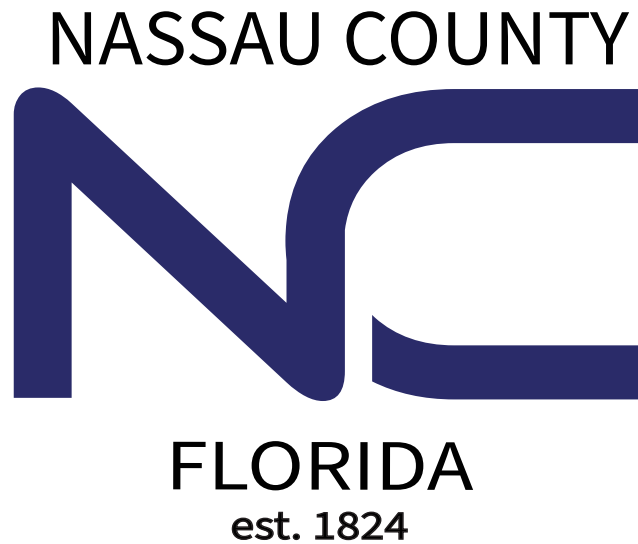
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