



THE BELLEAIR BEACH *BREEZE*

Spring 2015

City of Belleair Beach

Mayor

Rob Baldwin

Vice Mayor

Leslie Notaro

Councilmembers

Jeril S. Cohen

David Dumville

Mitch Krach

John Pietrowski

Wanda Schwerer

City Manager

Nancy G. Gonzalez

City Clerk

Patricia A. Gentry, CMC

Finance Officer

Melanie Neumann

City Attorney

Paul J. Marino

Community Services

Allen Godfrey

Administrative Assistant

Pamela J. Nightingale

Community Services Staff

Howard Chavis, Supervisor

Jana Mastilovic

Community Improvement Officer

Jack White

Upcoming City Council Meetings

April 6, 2015 at 6:00 pm

City of Belleair Beach
444 Causeway Boulevard
Belleair Beach FL 33786

727.595.4646

727.593.1409 FAX

Hours: 8:00 am to 4:30 pm M-F

www.cityofbelleairbeach.com

Remember to Vote!

The Election for three councilmembers will be held on March 10, 2015.

Incumbents Leslie Notaro and Mitch Krach are running for re-election.

David Dumville has served with City Council since March of 2008 and has chosen to step down from his position on City Council. Leaving an empty spot on City Council.

The election will be held in City Hall at 444 Causeway Boulevard. Polls will be open from 7:00 am until 7:00 pm.

Your ballot will read as follows:

Vote for no more than Three

- ✦ Pamela Gunn
- ✦ Mitchell Krach
- ✦ Leslie Ford Notaro
- ✦ Stan Sofer

Road Work



The resurfacing you may have noticed on 7th Street, 8th Street, Bayshore Drive and parts of Harbor Drive are part of the City's Capital Improvement Project (C.I.P) with funds budgeted over the last several years.

This portion of the project should finish up near the end of March.

Valley curb work will continue on Aleta Drive in the near future .

There are plans in the C.I.P. program for more improvements throughout the City as the funds become available.

January Council Highlights

A motion was passed by Council to adopt an Evaluation and Appraisal Letter from Ms. Laura Dedenbach, of Dedenach Planning Associates for the City of Belleair Beach Comprehensive Plan; stating the intent of the City Council to amend the Comprehensive Plan, based upon the recommendations contained in the letter.

In an informational item,:

Mr. Tom Washburn apologized that issues had come up with construction issues he had not heard until after the fact. Mayor Baldwin expressed his concern of the staging areas used by the County in regard to permissions and restoration after project completion.

Mayor Baldwin stated there had been complaints regarding an oil spill at the Marina. Mr. Godfrey, Community Services Director, advised that the dredging was done by a private company doing work for Dan's Island. Pinellas Suncoast Fire and Rescue District reported that the oil spot was a non-hazardous issue.

There was continued discussion on Building Services. City Manager Nancy Gonzalez advised that the proposed Agreement with M.T. Causley, Inc. had been discussed at the previous meeting.

Mayor Baldwin explained that since the County had not been doing site plan reviews for the City, that in the past a noncompliant request would be sent to the City for a variance quest. The independent site plan reviews now being done are to address any variance by not accepting any plans that do not comply—the plans will have to be revised.

There was a discussion stemming from concerns regarding work trucks blocking roads, etc. City Manager Gonzalez stated in the past only licensed contractors were required to register-not lawn maintenance, etc. She was unsure why it had been discontinued. Councilmember Krach stated that based on the backup in the agenda, the City could register contractors, but could not charge a fee for registration. It was agreed to continue the discussion when the City Attorney was in attendance.

A Resolution was approved authorizing the disposal of surplus inoperable or obsolete equipment, materials and supplies.

Sunday, March 8

**SPRING
FORWARD**

A graphic for 'Spring Forward' featuring a large clock face with a yellow and orange arrow pointing to the right, symbolizing the time change. The words 'SPRING FORWARD' are written in large, bold, yellow 3D letters across the clock.

Jack's Gems

Community Improvement Officer—Jack White



Sec. 10-75. - Basic equipment and facilities.

All buildings shall have permanently affixed address numbers on the front of the building, which shall be clearly visible from the street. Additional numbers may be affixed on a mailbox.

February City Council Highlights

A Code Enforcement update was given by Jack White, Community Improvement Officer. Mr. White stated he appreciated the positive comments he has received. City Council as well as Citizens praised Mr. White for his work.

There was discussion on upgrading/replacing the audio visual equipment. After City Manager Nancy Gonzalez explained the cost and problems the City had had with the originally installed equipment and the related costs, the City Council decided not to invest any more monies into the quipment because new equipment becomes obsolete so quickly. Council suggested using an outside vendor (VBPS Multimedia Marketing) to use their own equipment to provide taping of the City Council meetings for the City's website.

A motion was passed to allow all City Councilmember as signatories for check signing only.

There was a discussion on registering certain contractors who do work in the City. The City Attorney was going to check the Attorney General Opinions further and stated that the Code Enforcement Officer can check contractors. He added that registration had been tried earlier and proved to be a burden on staff to track down contractors, maintain permits, issue permits and checking permits to see who was coming and going.

Councilmember Schwerer stated she had attended the BIG-C where Indian Shores Councilor Bill Smith spoke regarding Amendment 1 and wanting to use some of those funds for beach renourishment.

Councilmember Krach questioned why Duke Energy could not use flush-mounted pedestals in the pedestrian islands on Gulf Boulevard. Mr. Godfrey said it had a connection with bringing lines across the road.

Mayor Baldwin requested to schedule a Gulf Boulevard Safety and Beautification Meeting before the March City Council Meeting.

City Manager Gonzalez stated that she wanted it on record that she had reached out to Belleair Shore by telephone and email regarding the negative articles in the Belleair Bee and no one would return her calls. She had also requested that their City Attorney, John Elias, forward the ordinance which addresses bicycles on the beach.

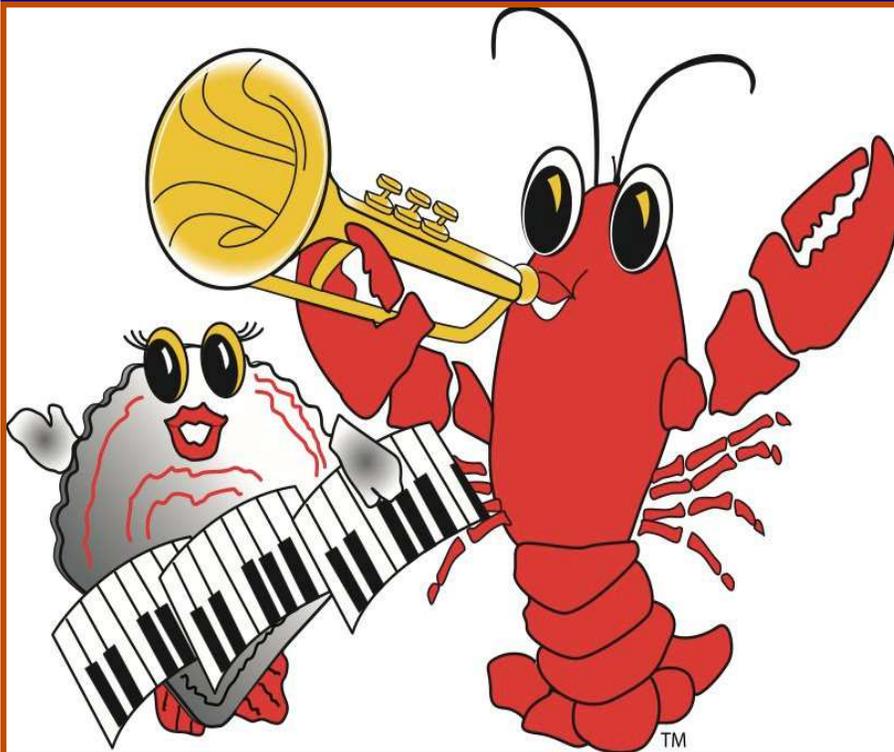
March City Council Highlights

City Council approved the agreement between the City and Victor Burianek d/b/a/ VBPS Multimedia Marketing to videotape City Council Meetings and upload them to the City's Website.

Council also approved the proposed Budget schedule for Fiscal Year 2015-2016.

George Oertel of 20th Street was appointed to the Belleair Beach Park and Recreation Board. Congratulations to George.

There was further discussion on registering contractors who work in the City. Council decided not to peruse this option.



Safety Harbor Seafood Festival Mar. 13, 2015 — Mar. 14, 2015

Bring the whole family out to the Safety Harbor marina for a weekend of fresh seafood, live entertainment, children's activities, arts and crafts and more! The event takes place on Friday from 5 p.m.-10 p.m. and Saturday 11 a.m.-10 p.m.

**110 Veterans Memorial Lane
Safety Harbor, FL 34695**

Eggstravaganza

CLEARWATER – Eggstravaganza! will take place Saturday, April 23, 9 a.m. to noon, at 2640 Sabal Springs Drive. The free event will feature an Easter egg hunt, touch-a-truck, fitness demonstrations, music, refreshments, open house with local vendors, family activities and a blood drive. Call 669-1914

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Multiple Myeloma (or Myeloma), the second most common blood cancer worldwide, is a cancer of plasma cells in the bone marrow. It is called "multiple" because the cancer can occur at multiple sites.

WHEREAS, Multiple Myeloma currently affects more than 100,000 people in the United States, with an estimated 20,000 new cases diagnosed each year and 10,000 losing their battle each year; and

WHEREAS, once a disease of the elderly, it is now being found in increasing numbers in people under 65; and

WHEREAS, because Myeloma is a rare disease there can be a delayed diagnosis, leading to delayed treatment, for this reason an increased awareness of Myeloma for clinicians and the general public will lead to earlier diagnosis allowing people to live longer; and

WHEREAS, continued investment and innovation is critical to achieve early diagnosis and implement the most effective and safest treatments for Myeloma patients; and

WHEREAS, although we have seen important advances in the last decade there is still no cure for Myeloma; and

THUS, the City of Belleair Beach is committed to finding a cure for Myeloma and supports the treatment of its citizens that suffer from Myeloma and encourages private efforts to enhance research funding and education programs, and

Now therefore, the City of Belleair Beach, Florida, does hereby proclaim the month of March 2015 as

MULTIPLE MYELOMA AWARENESS MONTH

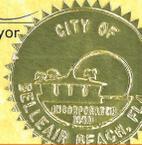
and encourage all residents to join in participating in voluntary activities to support myeloma education and the funding of research programs to find a cure.

Dated this 2nd day of March, 2015

ATTEST:

Patricia A. Gentry
Patricia A. Gentry, CMC
City Clerk

Rob Baldwin
Rob Baldwin, Mayor



MARCH IS
MYELOMA
AWARENESS MONTH

What is Multiple Myeloma?

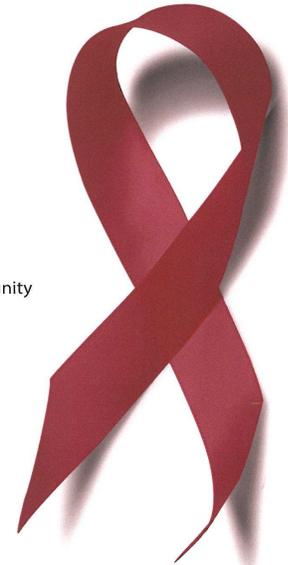
- Second most common blood cancer
- Affects 750,000 people worldwide

What are the symptoms?

- Bone pain
- Anemia
- Extreme fatigue

What we do:

- Advocate for needs of the myeloma community
- Foster collaborative research
- Empower people through education
- Provide support for patients and families



Call the IMF Infoline at **800.452.2873** or visit us at myeloma.org



April 3, 2015

Enjoy a night out underneath the stars on Clearwater Beach with a free showing of Alexander the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day. Grab your beach towel, blanket or low lawn chair and enjoy the movie starting at dusk, weather permitting. Popcorn and drink special is offered at \$5.

10 Pier 60 Dr.
Clearwater, FL 33767

April 11, 2015

Every year since 1995, some of the biggest names in blues music have taken the stage at the Tampa Bay Blues Festival in St. Petersburg. Today's lineup at Vinoy Park features Bernard Allison Group (12:30-2 p.m.), Carolyn Wonderland (2:30-4 p.m.), Tab Benoit (4:30-6 p.m.), Ronnie Earl & The Broadcasters (6:30-8 p.m.) and Boz Scaggs (8:30-10 p.m.). Tickets are \$30 in advance and can be bought at any Tampa Bay Rally store. There are also VIP packages available at <http://tampabaybluesfest.com/>

701 Bayshore Dr. N.E. 501 5th Ave. NE, St. Petersburg, FL



If an Emergency Strikes...



Do you have your free **Sheriff's Office** issued **EMERGENCY ACCESS PERMIT**?

Pinellas County Sheriff's Office | Sheriff Bob Gualtieri

EMERGENCY ACCESS PERMIT

In an effort to prevent looting and burglary after a large-scale mandatory evacuation, your city has joined the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office to provide free Emergency Access Permits to all businesses and residents of the barrier islands. Once a mandatory evacuation order has been lifted, Emergency Access Permits will be required to re-enter an evacuated area. There are nine entry points to the barrier islands. Access will be limited based on the closest entry point to your residence.

You will be asked to hang the permit from your vehicle's rearview mirrors upon evacuation. When the order is lifted, law enforcement posted at city entrances will scan the barcode on your permit to verify your residence.

With your help, we will be able to keep trespassers from easy access to your property.



Call 727.595.4646 for more information.

City Services

(Print me for quick reference)

POLICE

Belleair Beach contracts with the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office for round-the-clock police protection. In and emergency, Dial 911. For non-emergency call, the number is 727.582.6200. Follow this link to their website: [www. Pinellas County Sheriff's Office.](http://www.PinellasCountySheriff.com)

FIRE

Pinellas Suncoast Fire and Rescue serves Belleair Beach. In an emergency, Dial 911. The non-emergency number is 727.595.1117.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Pinellas Suncoast Fire and Rescue serves Belleair Beach, for an emergency, Dial 911. The non-emergency number is 727.595.1117.



BUILDING PERMITS / INSPECTIONS

The Pinellas County Building Department has the contract to issue all building permits and enforce building and zoning codes in the City. The building official assigned to the City is Glenn Wardell - phone number 727.464.3752.



MISCELLANEOUS PERMITS

City Hall issues the following permits: Hurricane re-entry permits, resident parking permits, on-street parking permits, garage sales and temporary storage units (PODS).

TRASH COLLECTION

Waste Management is responsible for trash collection. Residential trash is picked up every Monday and Thursday with Recycle being picked up on Friday. Condo trash collection on Tuesday and Friday, with recycle collected on Friday. Large item pick-up is scheduled directly with Waste Management. The Customer Services number is 727.572.8779.

Click here for the [http://wwwRecycle Guide](http://www.RecycleGuide.com)

WATER AND SEWER

The Pinellas County Utilities Department provides water services and sewage treatment for our area with fees paid directly to them. They also bill the waste collection by Waste Management. To report leaks or have billing questions, call 727.464.4000. For sewer problems, call the Community Services Director at 727.595.4646 ext. 123. Reclaimed water is also available from Pinellas County Utilities - 727.464.4000

For questions or comments about these issues, or issues not listed here, please contact City Hall at 727.595.4646.

Are You Safe? Spring Yard Work



With the arrival of Spring, the need for yard work usually increases. Whether you are an expert landscaper with an award-winning garden or a weekend warrior just trying to keep the grass looking trimmed and presentable, you need to proceed with caution. Each year, thousands of Americans are rushed to the emergency room as a result of a yard work-related injury.

To keep yourself and your family safe, you'll want to take the following precautions when performing any type of yard work:

- When using power tools, never allow children or pets in the yard – Do not take chances; the risk of traumatic injury is too high. Make sure your children and pets are safety supervised indoors before using any type of lawn mower, weed whacker, edger, hedge clippers, rototiller, chainsaw, wood chipper, or other cutting machine.
- Warm up – Take a short, brisk walk and stretch to prepare your body for the bending, lifting, and other movements necessitated by yard maintenance tasks.
- Inspect your yard – Before you start, check the area and clean up any sticks, stones, glass, or other potential hazards.
- Wear/do not wear protective gardening gloves – Wear gloves to protect your hands from blisters when weeding or using hand tools such as rakes, brooms, shovels, hoes, and spades. On the other hand, remove your hand protection prior to using any type of power tool – the gloves could cause you to lose your grip when handling this dangerous machinery.
- Protect yourself – Flying grass, wood chips, stones, dirt, pine needles, and other debris can severely injure your eyes and exposed skin, so safety goggles or other adequate eye protection is a must, along with close-fitting long pants, a long-sleeved shirt, and sturdy shoes. Also, remove all jewelry beforehand, and be sure to apply insect repellent and sunscreen.
- Attach a grass-collecting unit to your lawn mower – This will collect small objects and prevent them from turning into dangerous projectiles.
- Exercise caution when using a ladder – If you need to use a power tool while standing on a ladder, it's best to have another person assist by handing you the tool once you reach the desired height, steadying the ladder while you work, and taking the tool from you before you descend.
- If possible, try not to use general pesticides – There may be a product targeted to the specific problem you are trying to resolve. If you use chemicals for weed control, be sure the read the label and follow all instructions carefully. Never use more than the recommended amount.
- If you are tired, stop – Even if you are in the middle of a chore, save it for another day if you become fatigued or lose your focus.
- Turn off and put away your tools immediately after use – Prevent accidents such as tripping over hoses and other yard work implements left out in the yard.