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City of St. Augustine Beach February Newsletter

Anastasia Island Environmental Stewardship Awards

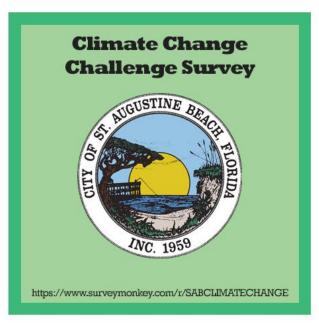
The City of St. Augustine Beach's Sustainability and Environmental Planning Advisory Committee is seeking nominations for the annual Anastasia Island Environmental Stewardship Awards. These awards will recognize individuals, businesses, and organizations that are working to protect the Island's natural resources and enhance its ecosystem. The awards were presented for the first time in the spring of 2019. The Committee is hoping to encourage environmental protection on the Island with this an annual awards program.

Nominations are due March 2, 2020. The nomination form is available on the City's website.

The objective of environmental stewardship is to reduce impacts on the environment, thereby protecting our natural resources through conservation and sustainable practices. To be considered for recognition, nominees must demonstrate significant achievements through:

- Reducing environmental impacts
- Conserving resources
- Enhancing ecosystems
- Restoring impacted natural resources

The awards will be presented at a public ceremony at City Hall, 2200 A1A South, in the spring.



Climate Change Challenge Survey
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Climate Change Challenge Survey

The City of St. Augustine Beach Sustainability and Environmental Planning Advisory Council (SEPAC) is conducting a Climate Change Challenge survey until March 25, 2020. Both property owners, renters, and visitors in The City of St. Augustine Beach are requested to participate. The survey will only take about 15 minutes to complete and can be found here:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SABCLIMATECHANGE.

"SEPAC is extremely concerned about many environmental issues that affect our beach community, especially sea level rise and climate change," said Sandra Krempasky, SEPAC chair. "We designed this survey to not only inform us of what we can do as a board, but educate our residents on what they can do to help protect our unique coastal ecosystem."

This survey will be used for educational purposes, to help gauge the perceptions of the community toward climate change and the motivation of individuals to reduce their carbon emissions, and to examine lifestyle choices in relation to climate change.

The results will be presented at the annual Arbor Day Celebration on April 17, 2020 at St. Augustine Beach City Hall (2200 A1A South, St. Augustine Beach, FL 32080.) The public is invited and encouraged to attend.



Go Green SAB logo

Go Green SAB

The City of St. Augustine Beach is going green! Single-use plastics have long lifespans, impacting local habitats and natural areas, and are not easily recyclable. Eliminating the use of these products decreases litter on our streets and reduces plastics in the environment (especially the ocean).

Starting January 1, 2020, the City is launching a "Go Green SAB" campaign, which encourages businesses in the limits of St. Augustine Beach to voluntarily eliminate the use of these products. To recognize the efforts of businesses who have done so, the City will issue a "Go Green SAB" window cling, as well as mention their efforts on social media and in the City's monthly e-newsletter.

"It is our goal to get every business in the City limits involved in this campaign," said St. Augustine Beach Mayor Undine George. "We are excited to be a leader in environmental protection and hope other Cities will follow our example."

If a business wishes to participate, they can visit the City Manager's Office (2200 A1A South, St. Augustine Beach, FL 32080) to pick up a window cling starting January 2, 2020. Since this is a voluntary campaign, the City is relying on the word of business owners and managers and will not be conducting inspections or penalizing organizations who do not wish to participate.



Garbage Truck

City Office Schedule & Trash Collection Update

- City offices will be closed on Monday, February 17, 2020.
- Monday, February 17 pickup will be moved to Tuesday, February 18.



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Emergency Car Kit

Plan long trips carefully, listening to the radio or television for the latest weather forecasts and road conditions. If bad weather is forecast, drive only if absolutely necessary......

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Entrance to St. Augustine Beach City Hall

City Hall Update

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Max Royle, City Manager

Business

Should government in our country be run like a business? What a silly question, you may say/think, because of course government should be run like a business. Aren't businesses run efficiently? Don't they spend money wisely and productively? And isn't government just the reverse? Well, no and no.

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Commission Meeting Notice

Monday, February 3, 2020, 6:00 p.m. St. Augustine Beach City Hall 2200 A1A South St. Augustine Beach, FL 32080

Special Meeting Notice City Commission & Planning Board Joint Meeting Monday, February 10, 2020, 6:00 p.m. St. Augustine Beach City Hall 2200 A1A South St. Augustine Beach FL 32080

Sustainability and Environmental Planning Advisory Committee Wednesday, February 12, 2020, 6:00 p.m. St. Augustine Beach City Hall 2200 A1A South St. Augustine Beach, FL 32080

Planning & Zoning Board Meeting Notice Tuesday, February 18, 2020, 6:00 p.m. St. Augustine Beach City Hall 2200 A1A South St. Augustine Beach, FL 32080

New Emergency Notification System for St. Johns County Residents

St. Johns County is launching a new emergency notification system to provide residents with critical information during emergency situations. Beginning February 1, the new Alert St. Johns system will enable St. Johns County, the St. Johns County Sheriff's Office, the City of St. Augustine, and the City of St. Augustine Beach to quickly provide residents with critical information in a variety of situations including severe weather, unexpected road closures, water advisories, missing persons, evacuations of buildings or neighborhoods, and incidents that may threaten public safety.

To receive these time sensitive alerts, residents can sign up at

https://member.everbridge.net/index/892807736725582#/login. Those who sign up can choose to receive notifications via a phone call to their home, business, or mobile phone, by email, or text message. The Alert St. Johns system will replace the Code Red notification system, so it is imperative that residents sign up for these critical notifications. For more information regarding Alert St. Johns, please call 904-824-5550.



On Sale December 9 - Beach Driving Passes - Pre-Season Sale Get Yours Now & Beat the Rush - They Make Great Gifts Too

Beach Driving Passes

St. Johns County Beach Driving Passes are on sale! St. Johns County resident passes are \$50, non-resident passes are \$100, and handicap passes are \$40. Passes will be available during normal business hours at the following locations:

- Tax Collector's Main Office 4030 Lewis Speedway, St. Augustine
- Tax Collector's DuPont Center 6658 US 1 South, St. Augustine
- Tax Collector's Julington Creek Office 725 Flora Branch Blvd., St. Johns
- Tax Collector's Ponte Vedra Office 151 Sawgrass Corners Dr., Suite 100, Ponte Vedra Beach
- St. Johns County Beach Services Office 901 Pope Rd., St. Augustine
- St. Johns County Ocean and Fishing Pier Gift Shop 350 A1A Blvd., St. Augustine

Residents must present a valid I.D. with a St. Johns County address or present proof of property tax payments in St. Johns County to purchase a resident pass. When requesting a handicap pass, a handicap hangtag or proof of qualification must be presented. Disabled military are eligible for a free annual pass by presenting military I.D. or a letter from Veterans Affairs verifying disabled status. Vehicles accessing the beach do not need a beach pass until March 1, 2020. After March 1, 2020, beach passes will be available for purchase (at the same rate) at the tollbooths.

For more information about annual beach driving passes, please call the St. Johns County Beach Services Office at 904-209-0341. Visit the

Reach the Beach Mobile App or http://www.sjcfl.us/beaches for current beach access updates and beach driving conditions

The Barber-Mizell Family Fued

On February 21, 1870, Sheriff David Mizell, his son Will, and brother Morgan went onto the property of Moses Barber to serve an arrest warrant. Tensions between the Barbers and Mizells had been growing for years, and the Sheriff had been warned that if he set foot on Barber land he would be killed. When the group stopped at Bull Creek, a shot was fired from behind some bushes. Sheriff Mizell was killed, becoming the first casualty of this long-running feud.

Story by: Florida Frontiers TV - Episode 7 - The Barber-Mizell Family Feud. Hope you enjoy this part of history. City Clerk Beverly Raddatz, MMC.



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