

**UPCOMING MEETINGS
AND EVENTS**

MAY 2010

| Sun | Mon | Tues | Wed | Thurs | Fri | Sat |
|--|--|--|---|--|--|--|
| 2 <i>2 pm Mommy, Me & Tea (Wallace Manor)</i> | 3 <i>2 –6 pm BOE hearings (OCH)</i> <i>7 pm School Board meeting (NKHS)</i> | 4 <i>5 – 7 pm VDOT public hearing on Rt 155 shoulder widening project (Fire Sta 1)</i> <i>6:30 pm Affordable Housing Adv Committee meeting (OCH)</i> | 5 <i>2 – 6 pm BOE hearings (OCH)</i> | 6 <i>6:30 pm District 1 Constituents' meeting (Watkins Elem School)</i> | 7 <i>9 am Finance Committee meeting (Boardroom)</i> | 8 |
| 9 <i>Mother's Day</i> | 10 <i>2 –6 pm BOE hearings (OCH)</i> <i>6 pm Board of Supervisors meeting (Boardroom)</i> | 11 | 12 <i>8 am Farms of New Kent CDA meeting (Historic Courthouse)</i> <i>2 –6 pm BOE hearings (OCH)</i> <i>6:30 pm Parks & Rec Commission meeting (Boardroom)</i> | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 16 | 17 <i>2 –6 pm BOE hearings (OCH)</i> <i>6:30 pm Planning Comm meeting (Boardroom)</i> | 18 | 19 <i>8:30 am Social Services Advisory Board meeting (Human Svcs Bldg)</i> <i>2 –6 pm BOE hearings (OCH)</i> <i>5 pm VDOT SYIP Elected Officials Open House (Richmond)</i> <i>6 pm Airport Advisory Comm meeting (NK Airport)</i> | 20 | 21 | 22 <i>New Kent Chamber Annual Wine Festival</i> |
| 23 | 24 <i>12 noon Va Peninsula Mayors & Chairs meeting</i> <i>2 –6 pm BOE hearings (OCH)</i> | 25 <i>4 pm Historic Commission meeting (OCH)</i> | 26 <i>2 –6 pm BOE hearings (OCH)</i> <i>3 pm Board of Supervisors work session (Boardroom)</i> | 27 <i>4 pm EDA meeting (Royal New Kent)</i> <i>6:30 pm Annual Business Appreciation event (Royal NK)</i> | 28 | 29 <i>Chickahominy Water Trail Festival</i> |
| 30 | 31 <i>County Offices closed for Memorial Day</i> | | | | | |

JUNE 2010

| Sun | Mon | Tues | Wed | Thurs | Fri | Sat |
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Changes/additions noted in red
2010 meeting schedules and agendas can be accessed at <http://www.co.new-kent.va.us/monthlycal/monthlycal.php>

NOTABLE NEWS FOR THE PAST WEEK

Administration

- Continuing to meet with department heads to become familiar with projects and processes
- Participated in a webinar on Health Care Reform
- Hosted the Annual Employee Appreciation luncheon for National County Government Month
- Preparing for May 10 Board of Supervisors meeting

Community Development

- Attended the Environmental Technical Advisory Committee (Env TAC) meeting at the Richmond Regional Planning District Commission.
- Representatives from DCR-Division of Chesapeake Bay Local Assistance presented the criteria for local program compliance reviews and current changes being considered regarding Comprehensive Plan and agricultural components of the review criteria.

Economic Development

- Met with several businesses to discuss the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Summer Youth Employment Program which is designed to give summer employment opportunities and job skill training to persons between the age of 16 and 24. The program begins July 7 and ends August 20 and there are 30 slots for New Kent youth. All program participants must meet Household income requirements to enroll in the program. Businesses are reimbursed for their expenses and the employees are paid a stipend from the program. For more information contact the Economic Development Office at (804) 966-9629.
- Attended the New Kent Wine Festival Committee meeting to assist with the preparation of the 2010 Wine Festival.
- Met with representatives from the Virginia Department of Business Assistance to discuss activities for Business Appreciation Week 2010, which is designated for May 16 – 22.
- Invitations were mailed out to local businesses for the Economic Development Authority's Business Appreciation Dinner on May 27 at the Royal New Kent Golf Course. Businesses can contact 966-9631 to RSVP.
- Working with the Quin Rivers, Inc. to develop a Micro-Enterprise program, which will provide training and loans to small businesses. For more information contact the Economic Development Department at 966-9629, or Quin Rivers, Inc. at 966-8721
- Local Businesses can register for the New Kent Business Directory at www.newkentbusinessdirectory.com to complete the free registration form. There are currently 293 businesses registered on the directory.

Financial Services

- Received \$18,743.93 for the Four for Life Grant
- Amending the FY11 Proposed Budget Power Point presentation
- Audit final field work scheduled for October 4 – 8 with CAFR presentation on December 13.
- Received notice that the FY09 CAFR qualifies for a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting

Meetings of Interest:

- Met with County Administrator and Assistant County Administrator to discuss various items
- Attended a Healthcare Reform webinar

Statistics of Note:

- April 30 payroll: 271 direct deposits \$219,809.28; 49 checks \$24,891.74; 12 deduction checks \$92,305.30.

General Services

Parks and Recreation

- Program highlights this week included spring horseback riding, Ms Linda's Dance Recital and continuation of seasonal programs.
- The NKPR 5th Annual Mommy, Me and Tea, that is co-sponsored by the NKJrWC, is Sunday, May 2 at Wallace Manor.
- Long and Foster Realty completed a beautification project at Quinton Community Park. Special thanks to Pete Sweet and Jenna Simpson for coordinating and to Mr. Evelyn for his support. A special tree was planted in Memory of Shelby Bowery.
- Continue to work with varying departments to ensure safety and security of facilities and parks.

Information Technology

- Continue working on a new road annotation layer.
- Working on new environmental layer.
- Working to get data/telecommunications service to Station 4.

General Registrar

- At the April 28 annual on-site voter registration day at New Kent High School, 151 students turned in applications to register to vote. Many thanks to Social Studies Chair and government teacher Patti Gulick, who organized the event, and also to government teachers Jennifer Rawls and Leann Chisenhall.
- The department's web page is being updated. A list of upcoming election dates (and offices) has been added*, along with information for candidates on filing for the November 2010 special election for School Board (District 1) and links to voter registration and absentee forms. *(Note that the 2011 primary date will probably be moved because of redistricting, but has not yet been changed.)
- There will be no primary election in New Kent this June. A primary was requested for the 3rd District Democratic nomination for U.S. Congress, but only one candidate qualified (the incumbent) so state law directs that no primary be held. Many cities and towns will hold elections on May 4. Primaries will be held on June 8 for the Republican nominations for U.S. Congress in the 1st, 2nd, 5th, 8th and 11th districts. There are no Democratic primaries being held. For more information [click here](#).
- The next election in New Kent is on Tuesday, November 2, 2010. Absentee applications may be filed now by voters who qualify to vote absentee (see "forms" link on registrar's page or pick up form in our office). Absentee ballots will be mailed in mid-September to those who have already requested them. In person absentee voting at the registrar's office begins on September 17. The deadline for new voter registrations or address changes for the November election is October 12.