

CityScape

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Junior Mayor Challenge!



If your child would like to help Mayor Joe Ayoub with his official duties and be the city's Junior Mayor for a three month term, then have him or her send an e-mail to JuniorMayor@cityofsafetyharbor.com

and highlight a project or contribution that was done to benefit the city. Possibilities include raising money for a non-profit, cleaning up litter, helping the environment or anything else that is creative. Please include pictures with the e-mail.

Some responsibilities for the Junior Mayor will include gaveling the start of a city meeting, leading the pledge of allegiance and invocation at a city meeting, helping with ribbon cuttings and with remarks at public events. A winner will be picked, so please e-mail us by April 9, 2021. Thanks a lot and good luck!

Mayor's Tree Challenge



On January 22, 2020, Mayor Ayoub presented Mayor's Tree Plant Challenge trophies to Amelia Rouseff, Aurora Rouseff, and Wren Mills at Baranoff Park. The three girls removed an invasive rubber tree and planted a fruit bearing starfruit tree. They water the tree regularly and named it "Twinkle." They are very proud of their tree.

Women in City's Top Leadership Roles

by: Kimberly Nicholls, Human Resources Director



When I joined the City in September 2014, I replaced a male Human Resources Director. At that time, there were five male and four female Department Directors. During my time at Safety Harbor, the number of women hired in leadership roles has increased significantly. Since the retirement of Assistant City Manager Raymond Boler on January 8, 2021, the City's management team is comprised of two male and seven female leaders, a shift when compared to six years ago. In fact, in the City's 100+ year history, Community Development Director Stenmark, Leisure Services Director Norwood, Public Works Director Cooper, and City Attorney Day are the first women to hold these positions. This is something to certainly celebrate!

When City Manager Spoor was asked if a predominately female management team was part of his plan he responded – "I look to hire and promote the best person for the job and then make sure they have the proper resources and tools to accomplish our collective goals. As a public servant, I like to view myself as the coach of a servant leadership team. Surrounding myself with other servant leaders is really the plan. It appears that, lately, the best person for that job has been a female." When Spoor was asked what the Safety Harbor community is looking for in his management team, he went on to say – "Safety Harbor residents expect a professional, responsive, and fair management team who efficiently manage the day-to-day operation of a full-service City while protecting our assets and financial stability."

The representation of women in corporate America is trending in the right direction. According to Women in the Workplace 2020, between January 2015 and January 2020, representation of women in senior management positions grew from 23% to 28% nationwide. That's a low number when compared to Safety Harbor's Management Team at 78% female.

When Spoor was asked what he thought is the main contributor in the difference in gender representation over the past decade, he responded – "Not sure... The current women leaders of the Safety Harbor Management Team are all proven strong, professional women in their respective fields. Frankly, their experience, hard work, and dedication to their professions is the reason they are in the leadership roles they are in. They simply earned it!"

There's no glass ceiling at Safety Harbor! Girl Power, baby!

Downtown Partnership Grant by: Marcie Stenmark, Community Development Director



The City of Safety Harbor is accepting Downtown Partnership Grant applications. The due date is April 1, 2021.

The grant is a matching grant administered through the Community Redevelopment Agency. Grant categories include building facade, front porch, fencing/walls, new signage, Americans with Disabilities Act improvements, public art/murals, landscaping, dumpster enclosure, interior renovation/new non-residential building, market/hardware store uses, and artistic bicycle rack. Residential and commercial properties are eligible to apply. A link to the application is below:

cityofsafetyharbor.com/DowntownPartnershipGrant

For more information, contact Marcie Stenmark at: ***mstenmark@cityofsafetyharbor.com***

Capital Improvement Projects Update by: Michelle C. Giuliani, Engineering Director ***Sanitary Sewer Pipe Lining, Storm Sewer Pipe Lining, and Manhole Restoration Project***

On September 21, 2020, City Commission approved a Contract with Vortex Services for the lining of various sanitary sewer pipes and storm sewer pipes generally in the areas of Briar Creek, Briarwood, Bridgeport, Country Villas, Harbor Oaks, Harbor Woods, Huntington, Beacon Place, North Bay Hills, Rainbow Farms and along South Bayshore. The sanitary sewer pipes included for pipe lining were previously identified by the City's overall inflow and infiltration study performed in 2019 and 2020. The project scope also includes rehabilitation and lining of various sanitary sewer manholes within the City.

What is pipe lining? Pipe lining is a way to restore the existing pipe from corrosion, leaks, or cracks from roots. Pipe lining uses a special resin, which cures with time to form another strong pipe - it is essentially putting a pipe within a pipe. Pipe lining also increases the life span of a piping system and causes little to no destruction to property. Construction began in February 2021 and will continue through May 2022.

Safety Harbor Election - March 9, 2021

CITY OF SAFETY HARBOR NOTICE OF ELECTION

In accordance with the City Charter and Chapter 6 of the City Code, a Municipal Election of the City of Safety Harbor will be held on Tuesday, March 9, 2021. This Municipal Election will be held for the purpose of electing Commissioners to Seat Numbers 1, 2 and 3 for three (3) year terms. Qualified candidates are, in alphabetical order:

Seat #1: Nancy J. Besore, Heather Norton, and Lorraine Duffy Suarez

Seat #2: Liz Lindsay, and Cliff Merz

Seat #3: Scott Long, and Andy Steingold

Polling places will be as follows, but are subject to change:

Precincts 606/613 Safety Harbor Public Library, 101 2nd St. N.

Precinct 611 Cypress Meadows Community Church, 2180 N. McMullen Booth Rd.

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Precincts 614/ 615 Countryside Baptist Church, 2525 N. McMullen Booth Rd.

Precinct 619 Briar Creek Mobile Home Park (Clubhouse 1), 100 Briar Creek Blvd.

Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Mail Ballots may be requested by calling (727) 464-8683 or using the website www.votePINellas.com.

CIUDAD DE SAFETY HARBOR AVISO DE ELECCIÓN

De acuerdo con los Estatutos de la Ciudad y el Capítulo 6 del Código de la Ciudad, se llevará a cabo una elección municipal de la ciudad de Safety Harbor el martes 9 de marzo de 2021.

Esta elección municipal se llevará a cabo con el propósito de elegir a los comisionados para los escaños número 1, 2 y 3, cada uno por un periodo de tres (3) años. Los candidatos calificados aparecen en orden alfabético:

Escaño n.º 1: Nancy J. Besore, Heather Norton y Lorraine Duffy Suarez

Escaño n.º 2: Liz Lindsay y Cliff Merz

Escaño n.º 3: Scott Long y Andy Steingold

Los centros de votación serán los siguientes, pero están sujetos a cambios:

Precintos electorales 606/613 Biblioteca Pública de Safety Harbor, 101 2nd St. N.

Precinto electoral 611 Iglesia Comunitaria Cypress Meadows, 2180 N. McMullen Booth Rd.

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Precintos electorales 614 y 615 Iglesia Bautista Countryside, 2525 N. McMullen Booth Rd.

Precinto electoral 619 Parque de Casas Móviles de Briar Creek (casa club 1), 100 Briar Creek Blvd.

Los centros de votación estarán abiertos de 7:00 a. m. a 7:00 p. m. Se pueden solicitar boletas de voto por correo llamando al (727) 464-8683 o en el sitio web www.votePINellas.com.

Harbor Happenings

www.SafetyHarborEvents.com

March

City Meetings

Check cityofsafetyharbor.com for meeting locations

- 1 City Commission, 7PM
- 9 Library Advisory Committee, 7PM
- 10 Board of Appeals/Planning & Zoning Board, 6:30PM
- 11 Finance Advisory Committee, 6:30PM
- 15 City Commission, 7PM
- 17 Code Enforcement Board, 7PM
- 25 Diversity Advisory Board, 6PM

April

City Meetings

Check cityofsafetyharbor.com for meeting locations

- 2 All City Facilities Closed - Good Friday
- 5 City Commission, 7PM
- 8 Finance Advisory Committee, 6:30PM
- 13 Library Advisory Committee, 7PM
- 14 Board of Appeals/Planning & Zoning Board, 6:30PM
- 19 City Commission, 7PM
- 21 Code Enforcement Board, 7PM



Now Accepting Applications! Bill Cropsey Citizens' Academy 2021

Due Date: April 2, 2021 • Academy Dates: Tuesdays, April 20 - June 1
More Info & Application: CityOfSafetyHarbor.com/CitizensAcademy

LIBRARY EVENTS FOR ADULTS

Spring into Reading:
Adult Reading Challenge*
3/1 to 4/30

Poetry by the Pier
4/29 | 6:00 pm

Computer Classes via Teams

Getting to Know Windows 10*
3/10 | 3:00 pm

Intro to Microsoft Excel*
4/14 | 3:00 pm

Book Clubs

Words & Wine
3/15 & 4/19 | 6:00 pm

Books & Bagels via Zoom
3/16 & 4/20 6:30 pm

Pen Pals Unite:
Homebound residents become
pen pals with library staff.*

*Registration Required

Visit SafetyHarborLibrary.com for
a complete listing or to register
for our programs.

Library Youth Programs

Virtual Story Times
Wednesdays, 10:30AM

*STEAM Time-To-Go
Grades: 1-5 | 3/1, 4/5

*Art Explore-To-Go
Grades: 1-5 | 3/8, 4/12

*Tween Craft-To-Go
Ages: 9-12 | 3/22, 4/26

*Family Cooking -To-Go
3/15

*Tween Cooking-To-Go
Ages: 9-12 | 4/19

*Teen Craft Take Home Kit
Ages: 13-18 | 3/2 & 4/6

*Teen Taste Test Challenge
Take Home Kit
Ages: 13-18 | 3/9 & 4/13

*Teen Anime Club Take
Home Kit
Grades 6-12 | 3/23 & 4/20

*Teen Cooking
Take Home Kit
Ages: 13-18 | 4/27

*Registration at:
events.safetyharborlibrary.org

Spring into... REAL FUN!

First Friday Flicks: *Aladdin*
3/5 | 7PM | Free
Waterfront Park

Community Clean Up
3/6 | 9AM-12PM | Free
Museum & Cultural Center

Junk in the Trunk
3/13 | 9AM-1PM | Free
Community Center

Doggie Day by the Bay
3/19 | 5-8PM | Free
Waterfront Park

Multicultural Social: Irish
3/26 | 6-9PM | Free
Museum & Cultural Center

Drive-Thru Bunny Visit
3/27 | 10AM-12PM | Free
North City Park



SafetyHarborRecreation.com

REAL FamilyFun!

First Friday Flicks:
Jurassic Park
4/2 | 8PM | Free
Waterfront Park

Summer Camp Expo
4/3 | 10AM-12PM | Free
Community Center

Go Fly a Kite Day
4/10 | 11AM-1PM | Free
Waterfront Park

Multicultural Social:
Japanese Culture
4/23 | 6-9PM | Free
Museum & Cultural Center

Enchanted Garden Fest
4/25 | 10AM-2PM | \$4
Folly Farm Nature Preserve



SafetyHarborRecreation.com

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City Officials

Joe Ayoub, Mayor
Cliff Merz, Vice Mayor
Nancy Besore, Commissioner
Carlos Diaz, Commissioner
Andy Zodrow, Commissioner
Matthew Spoor, City Manager

City Directory

City Hall: 727-724-1555
Community Center: 727-724-1530
Fire Station #52: 727-724-1520
Fire Station #53: 727-724-1536
Human Resources: 727-724-1555, Ext.1408
Library: 727-724-1525
Museum & Cultural Ctr.: 727-724-1562
Public Works: 727-724-1550
Rigsby Recreation Center: 727-724-1545

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Spring Clean-Up March 1 – April 30, 2021

YES!

- unlimited household & yard debris
- free of charge
- regular garbage collection day

NO!

- construction debris
- fencing

- items must be prepared to City code in appropriate trash can; items too large, may be placed 3-feet away from the City issued can
- Bagged leaves need to be placed out on your garbage day, not Weds.
- Wednesday's yard waste is recycled for mulch & must be free of anything that is not pure vegetation
- Yard waste too bulky to be containerized must be cut into sections no longer than 4-feet in length and 6-inches in diameter, then bundled with twine in arm size manageable bundles

Public Works Department • 724-1550 • 6:30AM–3:30PM

Fun & interactive online learning program

for children ages 3 - 6

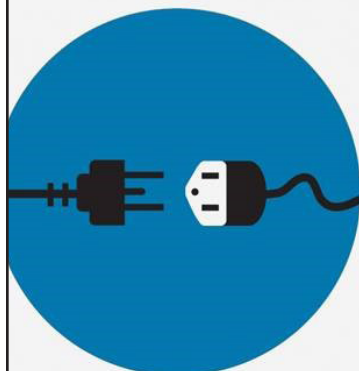


Miss Humblebees ACADEMY

For Kindergarten Readiness
SafetyHarborLibrary.com

Remember...

Do Not Blow Leaves & Grass into Street, Curb, or Storm Drains



Don't overload extension cords.

Use them for temporary purposes only. Replace worn, old or damaged extension cords right away.

U.S. Fire Administration



FEMA



Flood Zone Information

The City of Safety Harbor is a participant in the National Flood Insurance Program/Community Rating System (NFIP/CRS). We offer FEMA flood map determinations on property located in the city. Elevation certificates, if available, may be obtained through the Building Department. For more information regarding this program, please contact the City of Safety Harbor at 727-724-1555.