



Memorandum

Date: January 4, 2016
To: Honorable Mayor and Commissioners
From: Jamie Titcomb, Town Manager
Re: Town Manager Update Report, January 2016

Here are brief updates on some of the Town's projects and events.

Midlane Road Closure

The installed temporary barrier pylons at Midlane and Woolbright Road are working as intended to restrict ingress/egress. Several residents contacted me about impacts of the closure and will most likely address their concerns at Public Comment. As everyone gets used to the closure pilot project new traffic configurations, our Police, Public Works and Town staff are working cooperatively to mitigate any negative impacts the closure may create. Town provided traffic stats and information may not conclusively make a case for the permanent status of closure, so resident input will be key.

Town Drainage

Many areas of town are kept drained and dry due to extensive investments made toward flood mitigation and storm water system improvements. However, isolated pockets of water retention areas continue to challenge us. This year's seasonal high tides and our unique topography made for some chronic saturated areas and other drainage related problems. We deployed our vendor Vacuum Truck service to all drainage ports on Inlet Cay Island this past month as part of a preventative maintenance sweep, which vastly improved the efficient operation of the system there.

We plan additional preventative drain maintenance in other areas following up, and various outfall valves systems in place will be inspected and serviced where needed. With sea level notably rising, we will be dealing with these issues perpetually. Town Code requires the capture and treatment of stormwater runoff on one's property to certain calculation standards. Many properties continue to have issues of compliance and sometimes experience negative impacts in this area regardless.

Landscaping Maintenance

I am planning to convene meetings with various community stakeholders to mediate long-standing landscaping maintenance agreements and disagreements. We have communities in the town in need of more regular maintenance schedules and the parties need to work together for an effective long term fix. In essence this becomes an issue of improving communications, reasonable expectations, and code compliance attention, while occasionally mediating a private/public fix to disputed areas.

New Staff

We welcome new police employees soon and a new Town Clerk starting today, who'll overlap Karen in her final month. As the Town transitions through long-time employees retiring and moving on, we strive to bring best practices and innovation toward making this a best run small town to be proud of.