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# Media Advisory

Friday, February 21, 2020

1. The City of Conway Community Appearance board will meet Wednesday, February 26, 2020 at 4:00 pm at Conway City Hall. You can find the agenda for that meeting [here](#).
2. The City of Conway Zoning Board of Appeals will meet Thursday, February 27, 2020 at 5:30 pm at Conway City Hall. You can find the agenda for that meeting [here](#).
3. Conway Police Chief Dale Long will speak to Downtown Conway merchants about safety and security on Thursday, February 27, 2020 at 8:30 am. The presentation will be held in the 5<sup>th</sup> and Main Building (428 Main Street). He will discuss ways for business owners to protect their properties.
4. This week, the Conway Fire Department held a badging ceremony for newly hired firefighters in the City of Conway. Patrick McMeins, Richard Higgins, and Warren Stone recently completed the probationary period to become certified Firefighters with the Conway Fire Department. During that ceremony, Firefighter Hayden Witt was also recognized for five years of service as a career firefighter. You can see photos of that ceremony [here](#).
5. The Waccamaw Sertoma Club of Conway will host a Public Safety Appreciation Lunch at the City of Conway Public Safety Building (1600 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue) on Friday, February 28, 2020 at noon.

6. **FLOODING UPDATE:** Portions of Riverfront Park are currently closed due to flooding. The boat ramp beside the Conway Marina is also closed at this time. You can find photos of that flooding [here](#). [Waccamaw River Park](#) is also closed due to flooding. As a reminder, our riverfront parks are designed to flood for the most part. Public lands flooding help to protect private property and residential homes. After Hurricane Florence, changes were made to electrical service boxes in Riverfront Park to make them easily removable should flood waters get close to them. As a precautionary measure, [those boxes were removed this week](#). The new playground in Riverfront Park is also closed at this time. It was closed [earlier this week](#) to protect the new surface from the water that surrounds it. That playground was also designed to withstand the flood waters. However, since the ground surface of the new playground has not completely cured, staff closed it to prevent any possible damage. As of right now, Depot Road is the only road in the City of Conway that is closed due to flooding.
7. The City of Conway has received several questions regarding the progress of the underground utility wiring project on Fourth Avenue. Contractors gave Conway City Council members an update in this week's meeting. They say they hope to complete construction of the mainline conduit bank, streetlight conduits, and concrete restoration by the end of March. After that is completed, the utility companies will begin to pull wire and remove existing poles. Lastly, the final concrete repairs will be made and the roads that were impacted by the project will be resurfaced. Within the next month, the contractors will make spot repairs to the asphalt to improve the riding condition. The final, full layer of asphalt will not be completed until after the poles are removed and construction is complete.

8. Congratulations to Grady's Jewelers on celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary this week in Downtown Conway. You can find photos of that celebration [here](#).
9. The Conway Recreation Center will close at 7:30 pm on Wednesday, February 26, 2020 and Thursday, February 27, 2020 for facility maintenance. The facility opening hours and fitness and aquatic class schedules will not be impacted.
10. The Conway Recreation Center will host an eleven and twelve-year-old All-Star Basketball Tournament on Saturday, February 29, 2020. Check out our [Conway Recreation Center Facebook page](#) for more information on all of our talented teams who will participate in tournaments in the next couple of weeks!
11. The Conway Recreation Center will offer a new class: Introduction to Pickleball. Classes will be taught by local, experienced players. You can join the fun on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 12:00 pm -1:00 pm. The class is free to members. Non-members can pay \$5 per class. You can find more information [here](#).
12. It's time to register for the Conway Police Department Outreach Basketball League! The City of Conway Police Department will accept applications for the league until February 21, 2020. The league begins March 7, 2020. For application information, click [here](#).