

# **NRB NEWS – SEPTEMBER 2025**

#### **BILL QUEEN PARK DEDICATION**

We hope you have been able to enjoy the beach park since it has reopened after the recent post storm renovation. We are putting the finishing touches on it with the artist touching up the murals and painting the new stamped compass next month. We are also awaiting the arrival of the new picnic table, benches and bike rack which will be installed at that time as well.

The celebration will happen on Wednesday, November 12<sup>th</sup> when the park will officially be named Bill Queen Park in honor of 25 years of service to the Town. Mayor Queen served on the Town's Planning & Zoning Board beginning in 2001, moving to become a Town Commissioner for one year in 2004 before becoming the Mayor in 2005, in which he served for 20 years. Please join us 5-7 pm for an evening of light bites and beautiful views.

## **RESIDENTIAL BUILDING HEIGHT**

At the October monthly meeting, the Commission will be having the first reading of the ordinance which makes the following amendment to the town's comprehensive plan:

Enforce-Maintain construction standards — hold firm to the footprint re: that ensure compatibility with historic lot coverage and building heights restrictions, while allowing sufficient flexibility to support recovery and long-term sustainability, especially as the Town is getting more and more "knockdowns" (e.g., concern over too big a house on too small a lot)

The Board will also have a first reading to raise the height limit on single family residential structures in the RS-60 and RS-150 zoning districts from 30' above base flood elevation to 36'.

All previous comments received regarding opinions on the change to building heights will be reprinted and distributed to the Board for the meeting. If you have not previously emailed and would like to have your opinion included, please send to townclerk@townofnrb.com. Please include your name and address with your email.

The meeting is on October 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm at Town Hall with opportunity for public input for anyone interested in attending.

#### **MADEIRA POST OFFICE**

We have been notified the Madeira Post Office is slated to reopen next month. We have also been told that any holds can be picked up beginning next week. I know everyone will be happy to have our local post office back!

#### **SEWER TRANSFER TO PINELLAS COUNTY**

After two and a half years of work and two hurricanes the transfer of the sewer system to Pinellas County will officially happen on December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

At that time, residential customers will go from the current flat rate to a usage-based rate. We have been informed that a small household will see a decrease, an average family should stay close to the same rate while a larger family will probably see an increase. Commercial customers have already been on a usage-based rate after the first 12,000 gallons.

Pinellas County will hold an open house in November to answer any questions. The exact date will be included in the October newsletter.

### **WATERCRAFT SAFETY**

Caution should be used by all vessels operating in our waterways. We have many people using our inlets for recreational purposes, so please slow down and watch for other boaters, dolphins, manatees and swimmers. Stay 50 feet away from docks and 100 feet from swimmers. Every vessel is responsible for their wake. Be a good neighbor and safe boater.

### **OCK RENTALS**

As a reminder, docks cannot be rented or loaned out. Vessels must be registered or documented in the name of the owner or occupant or a legal entity controlled by the owner or occupant. A permit may be granted for one additional vessel for one period of 14 days during any six-month period.

Board of Commission meetings are on the second Thursday of each month at 6:00 pm and workshops are scheduled as needed. Please keep an eye on our webpage for agendas at

https://townofnorthredingtonbeach.com/government/agendas-minutes/

Always feel free to call or stop by and visit. The Commission and Staff are happy to answer questions anytime.

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