

News from Town Hall

October 2019

Town Hall

Town Meetings:

- October 8** - School Advisory Committee - 4:00 (HTH)
October 8 - Commission Meeting - 7:00 p.m. (HTH)
October 10 - Code Enforcement Meeting - 6:00 (HTH)
October 14 - Southern Oaks HOA Meeting - 6:30 p.m. (HTH)
October 15 - P & Z Meeting - 6:30 p.m. (HTH)
October 16 - Winters Landing HOA Meeting - 7:00 p.m. (HTH)
October 17 - Coffee with the Town Manager - 9:00 a.m.
(Oakland Presbyterian Church)
October 21 - Deer Island HOA Meeting - 6:45 p.m. (HTH)
October 22 - Speer Park Master Plan Workshop - 6:00 p.m.
(OMH)
October 22 - Commission Meeting - 7:00 p.m. (OMH)
October 22 - Johns Cove HOA Meeting - 6:30 p.m. (HTH)
October 24 - State of the Town Address - 7:00 p.m. (OMH)
October 24 - Johns Landing HOA Meeting - 7:00 p.m. (HTH)

HTH = Historic Town Hall OMH = Oakland Meeting Hall

JAZZ NIGHT



The next **Friday Night Jazz** event is October 25, from 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. This month's special guest is jazz saxophonist Vicente Belen. Come join us in the Town Center for a relaxing evening of live music. **Friday Night Jazz** is presented by HAPCO Music Foundation every fourth Friday.

Oakland Avenue Charter School

Our Eagles will complete their first academic quarter on the 16th of October. PTO's fall fundraiser, "Big Blast", will kick off early this month and runs through the 16th as well. We're excited to be celebrating "National Take your Parent to Lunch Day" by inviting parents to have lunch with their child at the end of the month. Specific dates will be listed on the website calendar and we invite you visit the cafeteria page to view pictures of this fun, family event. Wednesday, October 16 and Thursday, October 17 are noon dismissal days. Please expect to see the afternoon pick up line forming at 11:45 a.m.

Police Department

The police department is pleased to announce the arrival of our two newest officers. Officer Roger Fisher comes to us with six and a half years of experience with the Polk County Sheriff's Office and is filling a vacant full-time position. Officer Juana Serrano was recently sworn in as a reserve officer. She will be working as a part-time officer with us. Her full-time job is as a corrections officer with the Orange County Department of Corrections. We are very happy to have them both on board.

We recently experienced several car burglaries. In every instance, the doors were left unlocked. Please remember to lock your car whenever you are not in it, unless it is in a closed garage. It only takes a thief a few seconds to get in and out of an unlocked vehicle. As always, drive safely and remember to buckle up!

Public Works Department

Did you know?

The Town has approximately 2000 water meters in the ground? In 2011, all the meters in town were replaced to modernize the system, and to guarantee that what

Around Town

State of the Town Address



The Town of Oakland requests your presence at the State of the Town Address, given by Mayor Kathy Stark, on Thursday, October 24 at 7:00 p.m. at the Oakland Meeting Hall. Refreshments served at 6:30 p.m.

Coffee with the Town Manager



Town Manager Steve Koontz invites you to join him on October 17 at **Oakland Presbyterian Church** for **coffee** and **conversation** to learn more about Town services and programs. Residents will have an opportunity to ask questions and share their thoughts and ideas. **Coffee with the Town Manager** events are the third Thursday of the month at 9:00 a.m. and are open to the public. We hope to see you there!

you were using, was what you were being billed for. Our water meters are very sophisticated, electronic devices that track water consumption by the hour, and then relay that information to a central station each day.

Because of this “high tech” approach to metering, our staff does not touch every meter each month. If you see a problem with your water meter box, or worse yet, see water coming from the ground around the box, please give us a call. We’ll come right out and check on it.



Public Works employee Mike Adams installing a new water meter.

Hurricane Season

We dodged a big bullet with Hurricane Dorian! Please take it seriously and don’t wait until a tropical storm or hurricane is imminent before you begin preparation. Timely, advance preparation can protect both you and your property from harm.

Please visit the following websites for tips on how you can protect your family, your property and yourself during times of emergency.

<http://www.orangecountyfl.net/EmergencySafety/DisasterPreparedness.aspx#.V2Py3qT2aUk>

<http://www.ocfl.net/EmergencySafety/HurricaneSafetyGuide.aspx#.XVbYeOhKiUk>

Rain Sensor

Having an operable rain sensor connected to your sprinkler system can save you money. These little devices will not allow your irrigation to turn on when there has been adequate rainfall. Installation is easy, and most homeowners can do it themselves. They are available at most hardware or big box home improvement stores. During the month of August, the Town recorded nearly seven inches of rainfall! Do you know if **your** irrigation system was still coming on?

Capacity Enhancements

During the upcoming months, we will be performing construction of water system improvements in certain parts of town. These are to ensure system reliability and to guarantee that when you need it, there will be water. The work consists of valve insertions in strategic places, some pipeline enlargements, and the addition of fire hydrants in areas that are underserved.

Please watch out for our workers and drive safely as many of these improvements are along roadways.

Oakland Nature Preserve



Celebrating 20 Years of Education, Restoration, and Conservation

Join us for the **22nd Annual Oakland Heritage & Wildlife Festival** on Saturday, October 26 from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. This free festival celebrates the cultural and natural history of the Lake Apopka basin and Central Florida. **This is the Preserve’s largest annual fundraiser and proceeds benefit the Preserve and our environmental education programs.**

22nd Annual Oakland Heritage & Wildlife Festival





SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26TH
SPEER PARK, OAKLAND

Heritage Presentations
Silent Auction
Food Trucks
Live Entertainment
Lake Apopka Boat Tours



Wildlife Up-close
Hay Rides
Kid’s Activities
Children’s Art Show
Merchants & Vendors



OAKLAND NATURE PRESERVE

All proceeds support the
Oakland Nature Preserve
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Upcoming Events

- October 5 - Insect Safari - 10:00 a.m.
- October 9 - Blue Hike Kayak Tour - 9:00 a.m.
- October 19 - Trunk or Treat - 1:30 - 4:00 p.m.

****Follow us on Facebook to see everything that is happening at YOUR Nature Preserve!**

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