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**Hanig's Headlines**

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This week, conferees were appointed for the budget to iron out differences between the House and Senate versions.

At this time, I expect that as a conferee, we will be given instructions by the Speaker and President Pro Tem's offices on how to proceed, although I cannot put a timeline on it.

As things develop, I will keep you all updated.

**NCDMV Warns of Fraudulent Text Scams  
Urges caution of Unsolicited or Suspicious Texts**

**ROCKY MOUNT** – The N. C. Division of Motor Vehicles (NCDMV) is alerting the public about a surge in fraudulent text message scams targeting residents. These scams falsely claim to request payment for fees, fines, or tolls and may appear to come from the NCDMV.

**NCDMV does not and will never request payments via text message.**

Citizens are urged to report any suspicious texts as spam and delete them immediately. Do not click on any links or provide personal information in response to these messages.

Protect yourself from scams:

- Be cautious of unsolicited texts requesting payment or personal information.
- Verify any NCDMV-related inquiries through official channels.
- Report suspicious texts to your mobile carrier or the Federal Trade Commission at [www.ftc.gov/complaint](http://www.ftc.gov/complaint).

Learn more about how to identify phishing texts and scams at

<https://ncdoj.gov/internet-safety/phishing/>.

## **NCPDS to host press conference in Elizabeth City for NC S.A.F.E. Week of Action**

**CAMDEN** - ELIZABETH CITY, N.C. (WNCT) — The N.C. Department of Public Safety (NCDPS) will host a press conference with state and local officials to highlight the third annual NC S.A.F.E. Week of Action.

This event will be on Friday, June 6, from 11 a.m. to noon at the Pasquotank High School Media Center on [1064 Northside Road, Elizabeth City, N.C.](#)

State leaders will present gun locks to interim Elizabeth City Police Chief Eddie Graham Jr. and discuss the importance of safely securing guns. A Fayetteville father will also share his tragic experience of losing his daughter because of an unsecured gun in another person's home.

NC S.A.F.E. week was created by NCDPS due to the alarming number of children deaths caused by firearm injury and a surge in firearm theft.

According to reports from local law enforcement, in 2023, 10 children were shot in Elizabeth City. This is why NC S.A.F.E. wants to teach North Carolinians that simple things like locking your weapons can make communities safer and avoid preventable tragedies.

For more information about effectively and safely securing their guns, click [here](#)

*Attribute: WNCT by Elizabeth Pittman*

## **Outer Banks Forever Opens Sea Turtle Nest Adoption Program**

**DARE-** The nonprofit partner for national parks on the Outer Banks has opened its annual program that allows supporters to symbolically adopt sea turtle nests along Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

Outer Banks Forever, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit and the official fundraising partner of the Cape Hatteras National Seashore, Fort Raleigh National Historic Site and Wright Brothers National Memorial, organizes the Adopt A Sea Turtle Program raises funds for projects at the national seashore, which protects more than 30,000 acres from south Nags Head to the Ocracoke Inlet.

A donation of \$100 or more reserves a 2025 sea turtle nest. Nest assignments begin in early June and will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis.

As nests become available for adoption, the donor will be assigned a nest and will receive an adoption certificate by mail or email with initial information about the nest.

When the nest hatches later in the summer or fall, the supporter will receive a personalized update in the mail with information National Park Service rangers collect about your nest, including the number of hatchlings that made their way out to sea. The average incubation time for our nests is 61 days.

National Park Service rangers monitor the 70-plus miles making up the seashore and gather data about the hundreds of sea turtle nests laid each season.

Leatherback, loggerhead, green, Hawksbill and Kemp's Ridleys are the five species of sea turtles that typically nest on national seashore beach. There were more than 300 sea turtle nests in 2024 along the national seashore, including rare Kemp's Ridley and Leatherback sea turtle nests.

"No individual or group who participates in this program can claim ownership of a sea turtle nest, eggs, or hatchlings. Nature is also unpredictable. If your adopted nest is lost to a weather event or damaged by some other means, we will assign you a new nest that may or may not be shared with another individual or group," organizers said.

Contact Development & Adoption Programs Manager Nicole Erickson at [nicoleerickson@obxforever.org](mailto:nicoleerickson@obxforever.org) with questions.

*Attribute: The Coastal Review*

## **Labor Commissioner Honors Northeastern NC Businesses for Workplace Safety Excellence**

**HERTFORD** - AHOSKIE – North Carolina Labor Commissioner Luke Farley recognized outstanding workplace safety achievements by Ahoskie-area employers and employees during the Department of Labor's annual Safety Awards Banquet held May 8 at Roanoke-Chowan Community College.

The event, co-hosted with the Ahoskie Chamber of Commerce, celebrated companies that have demonstrated a strong commitment to preventing injuries and building a culture of safety in the workplace.

In his keynote remarks, Farley emphasized the shared responsibility of employers, employees, and the Department in protecting North Carolina's workforce.

"As Labor Commissioner, my top priority is ensuring North Carolinians go home safe and healthy at the end of every workday," said Farley. "It's a privilege to recognize businesses that don't just talk about safety — they lead by example, day in and day out."

Farley noted that earning a Safety Award sends a powerful message to both employees and the broader business community: that safety is a core value, not just a compliance measure.

"When you earn this recognition, you're showing your team that you care — and you're helping set the standard for others to follow," he added.

The awards reflect outstanding on-the-job safety performance during the 2024 calendar year. All recognized employers are based in Ahoskie or the surrounding region.

To be eligible, businesses must have had no fatalities at the award site during the calendar year.

Gold Awards are presented to businesses with DART rates (cases involving days away, restricted duty, or job transfer) at least 50% below the industry average.

Silver Awards are based on days away from work, also with rates at least 50% below the industry average.

These benchmarks demonstrate meaningful, measurable outcomes in workplace safety.

The Ahoskie event was one of over two dozen safety awards banquets taking place across the state this spring as the NC Department of Labor recognizes more than 2,000 employers statewide for their efforts.

More information on the N.C. Department of Labor's Safety Awards Program is available by calling 919-707-7855 or emailing Kiley Willard at [kiley.willard@labor.nc.gov](mailto:kiley.willard@labor.nc.gov).

*Attribute: Roanoke-Chowan News Herald*

## City to Hold Public Hearing, Finalize New Fiscal Budget on Jun 9th

**PASQUOTANK-** City Council will hold a public hearing Monday night for residents to weigh in on the city's proposed fiscal year 2025-26 budget.

Councilors approved final amendments to the budget on May 27, a little more than a month before the start of the new fiscal year, Tuesday, July 1. Following the public hearing, City Council could vote to finalize any additional amendments or vote to approve spending plan.

City Manager Reginald Goodson's proposed budget includes a general fund of \$31.86 million, about \$4.52 million more than the current year's budget.

The largest share of the general fund — \$8.30 million — is designated for the Elizabeth City Police Department. That includes capital requests of \$49,000 for a new drone and \$70,768 for ballistic glass from the department.

The budget also proposes to spend about \$226,585 less on police than the current year.

The Elizabeth City Fire Department is expected to receive the second highest share of the general fund, which represents an increase of \$2.05 million increase for a total of \$7.13 million. Outside of operating costs, the fire department is requesting \$130,000 for a new roof and \$65,000 for a new concrete ramp/driveway for ECFD Station One.

Parks and Recreation's is proposed to receive \$4.24 million, or \$848,523 more than the current year. Parks and Rec's capital requests includes \$500,000 for a 5-year lease for 14 units of maintenance and upkeep equipment, like a Groundskeeper 4500 lawnmower. Parks and Rec is also hoping to spend a little more than \$50,000 on security camera systems for children's safety at local parks.

One project Parks and Rec has proposed for the coming fiscal year rehabilitatating the playground at Johnnie Walton Park, which has the city's oldest playground, with the equipment last upgraded in 1992. Another project, at an estimated cost of \$20,000, would be the rebuild of the Weeksville Boardwalk, which has suffered from wear and tear.

While the city will not be able to provide a cost of living adjustment for city employees, staff has suggested the new budget implement a \$1,000 employee bonus. All city council members will receive a \$300 Christmas bonus according to the new budget.

A draft copy of the city's fiscal year 2025-26 budget can be read in full at the city's website under the "Finance Department" section.

*Attribute: The Daily Advance by Isabella Kelly-Goss*

## Gallery of Photos



On the anniversary of D-Day, we honor the bravery and sacrifice of the Allied forces who stormed the beaches of Normandy 81 years ago. Their courage changed the course of history and defended the values of freedom and democracy we cherish today.



The NC General Assembly proudly honored former Senator Elizabeth Dole for her lifetime of service and leadership. From her trailblazing work in public service to her unwavering advocacy for military families, Senator Dole's legacy continues to inspire.



I had a great time meeting up with Rep. Keith Kidwell, Rep. Kyle Hall, Rep. Ed Goodwin, and Johnny Tillett



I had the pleasure of meeting with Mark Goldhaber of the Jewish Federation of North Carolina and his wife, Sue Goldhaber



Had such a great time meeting with Hyde County Sheriff Guire Cahoon. It's always a pleasure connecting with dedicated local leaders.

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