

US 17A/21 Bridge Update

We are pleased to present an important update regarding the construction project of the US 17A/21 bridge, a subject of considerable discussion within our community. Today, we have obtained new information directly from Mr. Troy Faulkner, the site superintendent at Crowder Heavy Civil, who has been leading this substantial initiative.

Construction Progress

Preparation & Demolition: The current focus is on prepping and clearing the area for demolishing the existing bridge. This essential phase will pave the way for the next steps, which will commence as soon as the utilities have been successfully relocated.

New Bridge Features: Looking forward, the new bridge, slated for completion by late June 2024, promises enhanced safety and accessibility. It will boast 12ft lanes alongside 8ft shoulders and stand 5ft higher than its predecessor. This elevation is a thoughtful measure to ensure the safety of all travelers.

Navigational Updates: The aftermath of the unfortunate CSX train derailment on September 20, 2023, has necessitated alternative routes. Rest assured; these detours are temporary until the new bridge welcomes its first travelers.

The Legacy of the Original Bridge

Erected in 1938, the original bridge served us well but desperately needed replacement to meet modern standards and safety requirements.

Acknowledgments: Thank you to Troy Faulkner and the entire team at Crowder Construction for their relentless effort and cooperation. Their dedication to revitalizing this critical piece of our infrastructure does not go unnoticed.

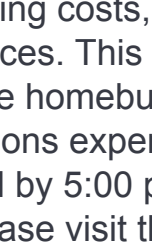
We also thank SCDOT for their unwavering support in this venture. Such partnerships are invaluable in pursuing a safer and more efficient transportation network for our community.

Stay Informed: Please follow the Social Media pages for any inquiries or to stay updated on the bridge construction. Your patience and understanding during this period are greatly appreciated. We look forward to a safer and more connected Yemassee through these collective efforts.



Shrimp Festival Planning Meeting

Attention all shrimp lovers and community enthusiasts! Join us for the Shrimp Festival Meeting on Thursday, March 21st, at 6:30 PM. The gathering will occur at the Community Center, 10 Mixon Street, Yemassee. It's a fantastic opportunity to learn how you can contribute to one of our town's most anticipated events. Your involvement and support are invaluable to its success.



BEAUFORT JASPER HOUSING TRUST

Beaufort Jasper Housing Trust Homebuyer Assistance Request For Proposals

The Beaufort Jasper Housing Trust is pleased to announce a round of funding to assist organizations that serve homebuyers in Beaufort and Jasper counties. The attached request for proposals (RFP) is being issued to encourage these organizations to apply for funding in this homebuyer assistance program. Background and instructions are provided within the RFP. The Beaufort Jasper Housing Trust welcomes further circulation of this announcement to interested parties and appreciates your interest in affordable and workforce housing.

Good news! The Beaufort-Jasper Housing Trust is offering \$250,000 to aid approximately 30 households in securing their first home. These funds can be utilized for closing costs, down payments, soft second mortgages, or reducing home prices. This initiative aims to enhance existing programs benefiting first-time homebuyers. Funding is available on a competitive basis to organizations experienced in financing homebuyers. Applications must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on March 28, 2024. For more information on the criteria, please visit the link below. Don't miss this opportunity to make homeownership dreams a reality! DYK: The Town of Yemassee, along with our partners Beaufort County Government SC, Jasper County Government, SC along with City Beaufort SC, City of Hardeeville, SC, Town of Port Royal, Town of Bluffton Government, and the Town of Hilton Head Island Government formed the Beaufort Housing Trust to collectively work towards improving accessibility and inventory of affordable housing throughout our region.

Business License Renewal: A Timely Reminder

Yemassee business licenses are valid from May 1 through April 30 of each calendar year. Renewal notices will be dispatched in March to maintain compliance and ensure your business operations continue seamlessly. The deadline for payment is April 30. We urge you to avoid late fees by adhering to this timeline. Accounts unsettled by the due date will incur a 5% monthly penalty, applicable for up to two months.

Location Verification: Ensuring You're Within Town Limits

Yemassee's unique positioning across four counties brings a special reminder: do not rely solely on the ZIP code 29945 to determine if your business or job site falls within the TOWN Limits. Yemassee encompasses parts of Beaufort and Hampton counties. Confirming your location's eligibility is crucial for compliance and benefiting from town resources. [For more information click here](#)

Special Permits for Food and Beverage Sales

Businesses selling prepared foods and beverages are reminded of the necessity to obtain the appropriate food safety permits. Additionally, you must collect and remit a 2% Hospitality Tax on sales of prepared food and beverages, contributing to the town's hospitality and tourism initiatives.

Accommodations Tax for Short-Term Lodging

For those offering transient overnight lodging for 90 days or less, please remember to assess and remit a quarterly 3% Accommodations Tax. This tax is vital for supporting tourism and infrastructure projects within our town. [For more information Click this link](#)

TOWN OF YEMASSEE

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Because of Love...The Sun Rose!

Community SUNRISE SERVICE

SUNDAY, MARCH 31, 2024 | 7AM

**PILGRIMFORD MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
20 PILGRIM FORD STREET, YEMASSEE, SC**

*** BREAKFAST WILL BE SERVED FOLLOWING SERVICE.**

Please contact Councilwoman Stacy Pinckney no later than Friday, March 22nd. RSVP by Calling 843-599-3210. Thanks!

The Town of Yemassee needs Volunteers to help improve our community and advise the council on our community.

Currently, we have openings on:

- Beautification Commission
- Historic Preservation Commission

[Put in your application now!](#)

Be in the know!
All committee and council meetings are open to the public.

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