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New Malabar Newsletter Format

The Town of Malabar has moved its monthly Newsletter to an online format. Once a month, a new newsletter will be uploaded to the Town website, Townofmalabar.org. A new feature to help residents is the new subscription option on our website. Residents can subscribe to receive an e-mail notification whenever a new newsletter is uploaded. Please help us spread the word by telling your neighbors!

Fertilizer Ordinance Awareness

Brevard County has made a determined effort to help preserve the Indian River Lagoon. One key step taken by the County to help this cause is a ban on nitrogen rich fertilizers during the rainy summertime between June 1st to September 30th. Nitrogen rich fertilizer run-off can be brought through the area stormwater systems into the lagoon, harming the fragile ecosystem. In a 2011 study, fertilizers were shown to be the second largest contributor to nitrogen in waterways, behind only sewage. These fertilizers can cause harmful algae blooms that can devastate the delicate ecosystem. Malabar has gotten on board with this movement by passing Resolution 06-2019. This resolution accompanies Brevard County's Ordinance, which requires stores that sell

these fertilizers to place signage informing consumers of the ban. Brevard County will provide the signs to retailers, and they will be paid for from the County's half percent sales tax which was designed to protect the lagoon. Retailers who do not comply with this ordinance will face a maximum of a five hundred dollar fine. In the first year of the ban, 2013, Brevard County retailers sold two-thirds less fertilizer during the effected months. Hopefully, this ban, along with the added signage, will reduce the run-off toxins into our precious lagoon.

May 2022 Public Works Report

Equipment Update

- Repaired Reverse Light on Sterling Dump Truck
- Repaired Rear Door on Sterling Dump Truck
- Replaced Tires on Sterling Dump Truck at Glenn's Tires
- Returned Road Grader to Ring Power (CAT)
- Serviced Ford F-450
- Pick up Parts from John Deere, Kubota, and Bearing Shop for Tractors

Streets & Roads Jobs

- Repaired Headwalls on:
 - Lineberry Lane
 - 1 pallet of Rip-Rap
 - 1 Pallet of Sod
 - Elaine Lane
 - 1 Pallet of Rip-Rap
 - ½ Pallet of Sod
 - ½ Pallet of Sod used to fill in washout
- Removed Illegal Gate on Booth Road
- Install Barricades on Marie Street
- Pick Up Stabilizer from Mine (25 Loads)
- Repair Catch Basin on Rocky Point Rd
- Trim Trees on Riverview Drive
- Replaced Signpost on Richards Lane
- Repair Road Shoulder at all Major Intersections

Parks and Recreation

- Repair Sprinklers at Malabar Community Park

General Duties

- Prep for New Sidewalk Installation at Town Hall
- Clean up Marie Street Yard
- Pick up and Organize 53 Boxes of Records from Storage
- Installed Flagpole at Town Hall
- Stencil "Town of Malabar" on 6 Barricades
- Prep PW Shop for EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) Inspection